

TEN JURORS VOTE FOR CONVICTION

Two Men Stubborn for Acquittal.

MAKE PROPOSAL FOR TRADE

"Let Williamson Off, Convict Biggs and Gesner."

W. O. COOK WITH MAJORITY

Judge De Haven Discharges Jury and Sets New Trial for Today. Jones Demurrer May Be Sustained.

HOW THE JURY STOOD.
For Conviction.
August Blinn, grocer, Heppner, Morrow County.
August Carlson, manufacturer, Portland, Multnomah County.
Webb Mast, farmer, Coos County.
Bernoy May, merchant, Harriburg, Linn County.
M. V. Thomas, farmer, Bull Run, Clackamas County.
J. E. Heskie, merchant, Philomath, Benton County.
W. F. George, restaurant keeper, Salem, Marion County.
J. W. Williams, farmer, Junction City, Lane County.
S. L. Bursough, farmer, Elgin, Union County.
W. O. Cook, bricklayer, Eugene, Lane County.
For Acquittal.
G. O. Walker, farmer, Walker, Lane County.
O. H. Cook, farmer, Olalla, Douglas County.

verdict." The answer was in the negative. "Do you desire further instructions?" asked the judge. "We think there is no possibility that we can agree," replied the foreman. Then W. O. Cook, whom it was incorrectly believed was responsible for the disagreement, addressed the court, saying: "We have argued the evidence very thoroughly and every man has had a chance to have his say. Under present circumstances it seems impossible for us to agree."
Judge De Haven then asked the jurors if they understood that they might find a verdict of acquittal for any one of the three defendants and the jurors responded that they so understood. Each in his turn was then questioned as to his belief concerning a possibility of agreement and when all concurred in believing it impossible, Judge De Haven issued the order of dismissal.

Jones Demurrer May Be Sustained.

The trials of W. N. Jones, Thaddeus S. Potter, Daniel Clark and Ira Wade, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States of public lands, had been previously set for this morning and the action of Judge De Haven in fixing the new Williamson trial for 10 o'clock today and his remarks touching the indictment in the Jones case virtually sustained the demurrer filed by the defendants attacking the indictment on which the prosecution is based. He said that the Jones case would probably not be tried as he was satisfied that the indictment was insufficient, but that he would render a formal decision this morning when court convened.

The morning session yesterday was consumed by arguments of Attorney S. E. Huston and M. L. Pipes for the demurrer to the Jones indictment and Mr. Henry for the Government, who spoke in behalf of the acquittal. When Judge De Haven virtually passed upon the question in setting the Williamson case, Mr. Henry announced that he would look into it carefully before court convened and if he was convinced that the indictment was not good he would dismiss it.

HOW IT ALL HAPPENED

HARDEE EXPLAINS ALLEGED AFFRONT TO CANNON.

Says Mrs. Fairbanks Suggested Headache Cure When Specker Mopped His Brow With Ice Water.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 20.—(Special.)—A letter just received from Theodore Hardee by a certain Louisiana Purchase Exposition official completely exonerates the wife of President Goode, of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, of sending a discourteous message to "Uncle Joe" Cannon. "Speaker Cannon was seated in the front of the platform," writes Mr. Hardee, "and as the day was warm, he had poured out a glass of iced water and was mopping his brow. Mrs. Fairbanks, who was a few seats away, called to me and wanted me to say to Mr. Cannon that, if he would use some remedy (the name I forget) it would eventually relieve his headache. I delivered this message with Mrs. Fairbanks' compliments, and he told me that it was not necessary, as he was just affected a little by the heat, which would soon pass away. Shortly afterward Mr. Cannon walked to the back of the platform. He told me he went inside to get away from the glare of the sun. That was all there was to the story."
Mr. Hardee also denied the story of an affront to Vice-President Fairbanks and declared that the latter had expressed satisfaction that the Exposition had done everything to make his visit enjoyable.

KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

M. T. Hancock, Plow Manufacturer, Dead at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, July 21.—M. T. Hancock, the well-known millionaire plow manufacturer, died at 12:45 o'clock this morning from injuries received in an automobile accident on main street, early in the evening.

Child Killed by Electric Train.

SPOKANE, July 21.—Glen Olsen, 18-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Len Olsen, was run over by an electric train and instantly killed today. The boy had wandered from home and was seated on the track. The motorman made a desperate effort to stop his train, but the distance was too short. The accident occurred at Hunter's station, near Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho.

WALL OF WATER RUSHES ON

Caused by Cloudburst, It Lays Waste Valley in Missouri.

JOPLIN, Mo., July 20.—A cloudburst this morning caused Spring River to rise 15 feet in a few hours this afternoon, the water rolling down the valley in a wall that high, driving many residents of the lowlands to the hills.

Morton Makes No Comment.

NEW YORK, July 20.—Chairman Paul Morton of the board of directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, was informed of Governor Higgins' message to the special session of the Legislature, said he had no comment to make.

WILLIAMS IS TO BE HANGED TODAY

Execution of Murderer of Nesbitt Women Takes Place at 6 This Morning.

PRIEST IS A GOOD FRIEND

Last Days of the Condemned Man at The Dalles Have Been Spent in the Reading of Books and Prayer.

THE DALLES, July 20.—(Special.)—Norman Daniel Williams, convicted murderer of Norma Nesbitt and her daughter, Alma Nesbitt, will go to his execution at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning. He has made no statement of the crime for which he must answer, that of the death of a mother and daughter in a lonely cabin in the Upper Hood River Valley one dark night in March, 1930, and will make none. Father Desmarais, his spiritual adviser, will accompany him to the scaffold.

"I wish him no bad luck after he has paid his penalty," remarked Sheriff Saxton, who, as the exponent of the law, will pull the lever tomorrow that will send the condemned man to his doom. "If there is a heaven for such men as he hereafter I hope he will get there."
It is the general opinion among the people of this city tonight that a hardened criminal will meet his just dues. But to Father Desmarais, who has been the spiritual adviser of Williams since his incarceration in the Wasco County jail, it is a different story. The priest believes emphatically in the innocence of the man who will be hanged tomorrow.

Picture Excites the Murderer.

"Almost providentially there came to me today evidence which leads me to believe more than ever in the innocence of Norma Williams," said Father Desmarais today. "A little book that I kept from his trunk when I forwarded his papers and letters to Omaha I took with me today to the cell. As Williams opened it the photograph of a man fell from between the covers."
"Where did that come from?" excitedly asked Williams.

Does Not Care for Breakfast.

When asked by the Sheriff what he wished for breakfast, Williams replied that he wanted nothing. He took exercise the evening before and down the corridor in company with Frank Ries until the arrival of Father Desmarais, when they went to his cell for a service of prayer. Following is the jury named by Sheriff Saxton to witness the execution tomorrow:
C. D. Morgan, Mosier; C. A. Borders, The Dalles; G. D. Woodworth, Hood River; Dr. Suddell, The Dalles; W. E. Huskey, Mosier; W. J. Hartman, The Dalles; John Wood, Kingsley; N. C. Evans, Hood River; J. W. Moore, Hood River; A. C. Parrott, Hood River; R. H. Darnielle, The Dalles.

Days of Study and Prayer.

With his mind at ease, Norman Williams has spent his last days in prayer and study. During the 15 months he has been confined in the Wasco County jail Williams has been a model prisoner. He has been a great reader, having perused over 50 volumes of classical and historical books from the library of Father Desmarais. Among the books which were his particular favorites were: "Josephus," by Whiston; Milton; Buffon's Natural History; "Love, the Prophet," by Henry; "All for Heaven," by Father Robert; Dr. Hay's "Sincere Christian." The last two volumes Father Desmarais says Williams read time and again and would remark that they gave him great consolation. Williams has carefully written on over 300 pages of legal cap a detailed account of his past life. This is now in possession of Father Desmarais, who declares he is not at liberty to make it public. Williams has also done considerable drawing, having prepared pictures of his cabin on the homestead where the murder is supposed to have occurred. He has shown a picture of the homestead under which are located the two closets he dug, one of which yielded up portions of human hair and bloody clothes, evidence that brought about the conviction. Even the rubbish pile is there, with which Williams says he later filled up one of the converted graves.

Convert to Catholicism.

Williams accepted the Catholic faith May 4 of this year, and the record of St. Peter's parish states that Norman Daniel Williams was born January 17, 1887; that his father's name was John N. Williams, his mother's Zerada Moore. The man's past history is a closed book, except for the written account which Father Desmarais says he cannot make public. This statement by Williams will be kept by Father Desmarais in order that, should any evidence ever be brought to light, he may be able to trace up the matter.

JUDGE SHARES BLACKMAIL

Another Revelation About Ahlie's "Fads and Fancies."

NEW YORK, July 20.—Assistant District Attorney Krotel, with the assistance of an expert accountant, today examined certain books of the Town Topics Company in continuation of the inquiry growing out of the prosecution of Charles H. Ahlie on the charge of blackmail. "Fads and Fancies," subscriptions to which ranged from \$200 to \$500. The investigation developed the fact that Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, who has admitted his association with the Town Topics company, appeared on the books as drawing claims each year, ranging from \$200 to \$500.

TAKES ACTION ON EQUITABLE

Governor Recommends It and Legislature Orders Investigation.

REVISE INSURANCE LAWS

All Life Insurance Companies Included—Morton Welcomes Action—Mystery About Mercantile Trust Loan.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 20.—There will be a legislative investigation of the life insurance business as carried on in this state, both by New York state corporations and by those of other states doing business in this state. This investigation will be made by a special joint committee with ample powers, of which the chairman will be Senator William Armstrong, of Rochester, a Republican. The other Senators on the committee will be William J. Tulley, of Corning, Republican, and Daniel J. Roridan, of New York City, a Democrat. Messrs. Armstrong and Tulley are lawyers; Mr. Roridan is a real estate and insurance agent. The two Republicans are said to have been selected by Governor Higgins and Senator Raines, Republican leader in the Senate. The Assembly members of the committee will be named by Speaker Nixon within the next day or two.

CAREER OF NORMAN WILLIAMS

Giving an Account of Crime for Which He Is Executed.

The crime for which Norman Daniel Williams is to be executed today is the murder of Norma Nesbitt, of Omaha, Neb., and her daughter, Alma Nesbitt, on March 8, 1930. The crime was committed at the Upper Hood River Valley one dark night in March, 1930, and will make none. Father Desmarais, his spiritual adviser, will accompany him to the scaffold.

Message of Governor.

The unfortunate woman already made public by the internal disclosure in the Equitable Life Assurance Society and by the comprehensive investigations of its affairs by the Superintendent of Insurance, but without justification, and the organization of the committee would take place as soon as the Assembly members had been appointed. The institution of the committee followed hard upon a message of Governor Higgins to the Legislature, which came as a surprise. This was received in the Senate after the conclusion of the Hooker case and was not read until late in the afternoon of July 19. In his message Governor Higgins said:

State's Duty to Policy-Holders.

The state owes a duty to policyholders and beneficiaries beyond that of comparing assets and liabilities and permitting the companies to justify their existence by their exhibition of a "strong knowledge of the public interest." It is evident that earnings which should be credited to the policyholders may be diverted to other purposes; that expenses of operation may be extravagant and excessive; that unwise investments may be legally made and that trustees may deal indirectly with the trust funds for their personal advantage. That such conditions in the business of thousands of our citizens who have invested their money in policies of life insurance and of the thousands of non-residents who have been taught to respect the New York companies as safe and secure. Though the business of life insurance, as at present conducted, is subjected to a thorough knowledge of the funds of these great companies is not sufficiently safeguarded.

Investigate and Revise Law.

It is, of course, of the highest importance that a revision of the insurance law should be enacted as promptly as is consistent with the best interests of the subject. In order that you may be free to consider and act on the subject at this session, I therefore, pursuant to the Constitution, do hereby recommend for your consideration the question of the appointment of a joint committee of the Senate and Assembly, with the usual powers of such committees to investigate after your adjournment, the operations of life insurance companies doing business in this state for the purpose of preparing and recommending to the next regular session of the Legislature a revised insurance law which may be adequate and proper to restore public confidence and to compel life insurance companies to conduct a safe, honest and open business for the benefit of the policyholders.

Powers Given Committee.

Senator Armstrong introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and examine into the business affairs of life insurance companies doing business in the state with reference to the investments of said companies, the relations of the officers thereof to such investments, the relations of such companies to subsidiary corporations, the government and control of said companies, the cost of life insurance, the expenses of said companies and any other phases of the life insurance business deemed to be proper for the purpose of determining and reporting to the next session of the Legislature such a revision of the laws regulating and relating to life insurance in this state as said committee may deem proper. This was adopted

CHICAGO STRIKE IS CALLED OFF

Teamsters Acknowledge Defeat and Accept Terms of Employers.

STRUGGLE DUE TO GRAFT

Crushing Blow to Unions Which Violate Contracts Deal at Immense Cost—Murder and Violence Marked Progress.

CHICAGO, July 20.—(Special.)—By an overwhelming vote, the striking teamsters this afternoon decided to call off the strike which has held Chicago in turmoil for 105 days. It is an unconditional surrender and the men will seek their old positions as individuals. They have even lost the last point for which they have been holding off-permission to display the union button. Owing to the peculiar condition here, life would be unsafe for any man not displaying the union button, but the employers were firm on this point, so the button must go, along with the closed shop and the business agent.

Employers Made Fight to Death.

The employers, realizing that it was a fight to the death, inasmuch as contracts were no longer observed, grided themselves up for the struggle. Although they lost, collectively \$2,000,000 every day during the early stages of the strike, they spent other millions in planning a campaign which will be lasting in its effect in Chicago, the hotbed of industrial strife. Mayor Dunne, who had just been inaugurated, swore in an additional thousand policemen, and gave the merchants such protection as he was able. Then the Sheriff had a thousand deputies guarding wagons. Riots were numerous and violent assaults in isolated cases were almost constant, but a great battle was being fought out for the entire country.

Shea Was Obstacle to Peace.

At various times peace might have been declared, but each time it was balked by Shea, who demanded his own terms and no concessions. President Gompers looked over the field and attempted to bring about peace, but retired, satisfied that the cause was lost.

COMPLETE SURRENDER MADE

Teamsters Declare Strike Off and Accept Employers' Terms.

CHICAGO, July 21.—The teamsters' strike was, at 12:30 o'clock tonight, officially declared off by the members of the Teamsters' Joint Council. The men have been ordered to seek their old positions, and it is estimated that less than one-half of them will be re-employed. The strikers have made a complete surrender and will apply for work as individuals and without an agreement of any kind with their employers.

Teamsters' Joint Council.

The Teamsters' Joint Council was taken at the end of a day whose events clearly foreshadowed the collapse of the strike. Three of the unions had already voted to return to work as far as possible, and it was certain that the unions which had not yet voted on the question of ending the strike would take similar action. The council, believing that further effort was useless, decided to call off the strike at once. The first break in the ranks of the strikers came this afternoon when the number teamsters voted to return to work regardless of what action might be taken by any other union. Tonight the departmental committee withdrew with long and bitter protest. Page 16.

HIGGINS EXPLAINS POSITION

Wants Equitable Investigated From Top to Bottom.

MORTON WELCOMES INQUIRY

NEW YORK, July 20.—Chairman Morton, of the board of directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, made the following statement today in regard to Governor Higgins' message to the Legislature recommending an investigation of the life insurance companies of the state:

"I do not object at all to an official investigation of the life insurance companies of the state. The more complete and searching the legislative investigation is the better, it will suit me and the better it will be for the Equitable. We hope that the proposed investigation of all New York insurance companies will be as exhaustive as I propose to make the investigation of the affairs of the Equitable which began over a month ago by chartered accountants."

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STOCK GIVEN TO DIRECTORS

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NEW YORK, July 20.—The World to-day.

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