

WALLS LEY BACK

Holders of Forged Land Certificates Make Claim.

WILL ASK LEGISLATURE

Innocent Purchasers Say State Should Refund \$50,000 Paid on Cancelled Certificates—Appeal to the Courts if Refused.

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Development in Land-Fraud Trial at Moscow.

WOMAN TAKES THE STAND

Mrs. Mary J. Harris Testifies That Robnett Told Her to File on Certain Land Under Threat of the Penitentiary.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Are the so-called land-fraud cases against Clarence W. Robnett to disclose the existence of a hot row in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Lewiston and the existence of the usual bitterness and the wreaking vengeance that usually follow in the wake of such incidents? This is a question that many who heard the evidence before the Federal court today are asking tonight.

The inquiry is brought out by Attorney Borah's cross-examination of Mrs. Mary J. Harris. This cross-examination led up to the point where it was shown that Mrs. Harris and her two daughters, with others, were conveyed to the Clearwater River at the solicitation and expense of Robnett and that Mrs. Harris did not get the claim she was after, but that by a mistake someone else got it.

Three graduates were recommended at the same time. Floyd Williams, who went to the islands in January and who has been promoted and now commands a company, Karl Stinson, the latter of whom is now at Prineville, and is in line for an appointment, if not already named.

Earlier in her testimony Mrs. Harris had stated that the defendant had met her upon the streets of Lewiston, handed her a paper, which she declares was an application to file on land, properly filled out, and advised her to procure same at once, and that if she did not he would send her to the penitentiary.

She spurned the offer and sought legal advice from her protector. She also testified that Robnett had solicited her daughters to file on land under the timber and stone act, knowing they were not of age.

George R. Robinson finished just before the noon recess under the rigid cross-examination of Borah for nearly two hours. He admitted that he had sworn falsely to the jury in a quarter-section of timber land which had netted him but \$72.

This feature of the case is considered significant by those who are watching its progress closely. This line of action on the part of the defendant, however, depends upon establishing his connection with the Robinson and Ferris cases, had nothing to do with this case until about a year after his conviction.

The plaintiff is not directly attacking the validity of the act under which the trees were destroyed, but bases his claim to damages largely on the contention that personal property cannot be destroyed or confiscated without the owner being adequately compensated.

Among the witnesses testifying in behalf of the defendant were Professors Cordley and Lake, of the Corvallis Experiment Station, who told of the disastrous effects resulting to the fruit industry of the state on account of this pest; C. W. Swallow, County Fruit Inspector, Lewis and William Beard, and other prominent Clackamas county agriculturists, who had inspected the Sellwood trees and found them to be seriously infected with the scale.

Testimony was also offered showing that Sellwood had been repeatedly notified to spray his orchard before the trees were finally cut down and the work of destroying the entire orchard was only abandoned when a son of the owner of the orchard assured the horticultural officers that the orchard would be promptly sprayed.

The case is being heard before the following jury, consisting of farmers and business men: William Stacey, Charles Thompson, M. C. Oton, E. H. Cooper, E. R. Williams, W. F. Bobcock, O. S. Whitten, Thomas Sconce, C. C. Babcock, C. H. Dauchy, J. L. Murdoch and John C. Haines.

HUNT IS GIVEN FOUR YEARS.

Arrested for Forgery on Eve of Marriage to Portland Girl.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 15.—A. C. Hunt, alias C. Fuller, alias D. R. Chastrow, who was arrested on the eve of his wedding to Miss Nellie Hubbard, daughter of Dr. W. F. Hubbard, of Portland, on the charge of forgery, was found guilty and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary yesterday afternoon, in the Superior Court.

Teachers Demand Higher Wages.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 15.—An invoice of demands by the teachers' schoolteachers of Seattle, they have organized into a body, and will make a hard fight to gain better wages.

It is said that the demand of the teachers will take an active part in the coming election. The educators have appointed a committee of 50 to outline a plan of action, and if they are defeated they will seek revenge in politics.

The Socialist candidates have pledged themselves to vote for an increase in salary of the teachers, and unless the other two aspirants for the office make known their attitude on the question there are good chances of the Socialists getting in.

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Timber Broker in Trouble.

SEATTLE, Nov. 15.—L. C. Dolley, one of the best-known timber brokers in this state, was arrested last night, and is now in the county jail charged with subornation of perjury. It is alleged Dolley got Mrs. Gish, of Aberdeen, to make false declarations in taking up some property for an injury sustained by her, by stepping through an opening in a de-

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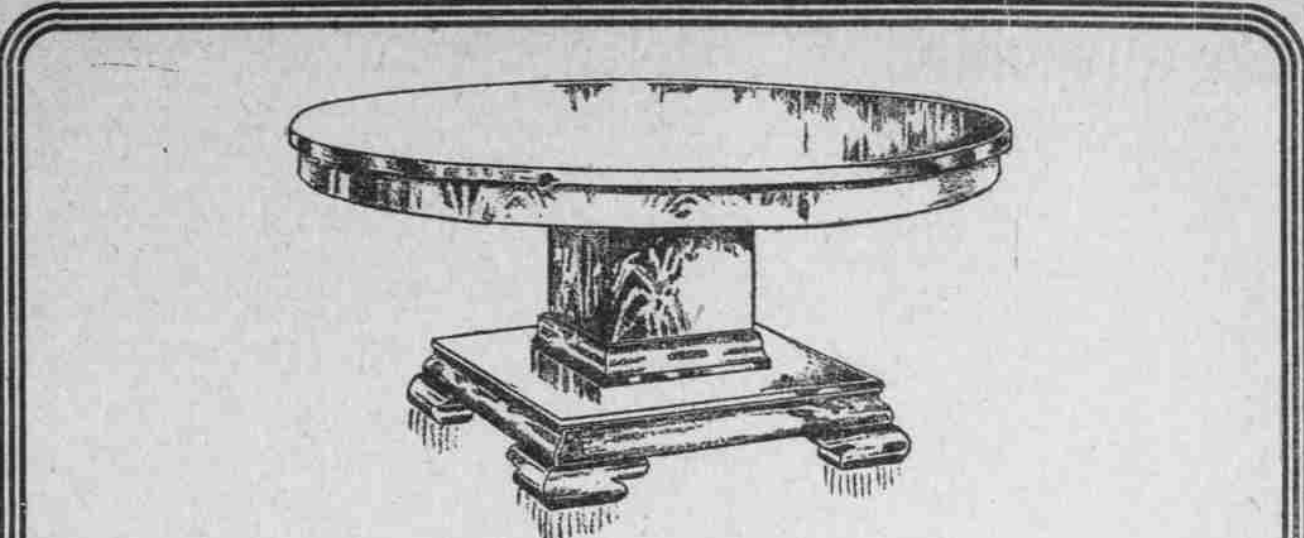
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NEW DESIGNS IN DINING-ROOM FURNITURE

A splendid gathering of the various pieces most popular in the dining-room—round and square dining-tables in the various extensions, plain and pedestal designs; buffets and sideboards in plain and carved designs; china closets in plain or fancy fronts; chairs in wood, cane and leather seats; serving-tables to match other pieces. This display embraces pieces in all woods and the most popular finishes, and represents every grade of dining-room furniture. An excellent opportunity now offered for selecting desirable pieces previous to the Holiday season.



County is being held this week at the High School building in Vancouver, with sessions held for general discussions of school work during the day and lectures are given at night.

Coos Bay Jetty Inspected.

NORTH BEND, Or., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Biennial state convention of Catholic Knights of America was held last night at pastorate of Rev. Father Hildebrand in this city.

Death of Portland Salesman.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—C. Williams, aged 25, traveling for Kline & Co., wholesale plumbing supplies, Portland, was found dead in bed at 9 o'clock this morning.

New Postmaster at North Bend.

NORTH BEND, Or., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Thomas L. Carey, for the past three years a salesman in the Simpson mill store, has been appointed Postmaster at North Bend to succeed L. J. Simpson, who sent in his resignation several weeks ago.

Terrorists Rob Railroad Safe.

WARSAW, Nov. 15.—A band of terrorists, who robbed the Victoria Railroad depot at Suchedlow this morning, killed a gendarme, blew up the safe and escaped with a small sum of money, marching off in military order. Cossacks are pursuing them.

Horseless carriages—Wireless telegraphy—Now lardless cookery

Improvement is the order of the age. There was a time when Lard was considered the only shortening. To-day, the only people who use lard for shortening and frying purposes are those who are not familiar with the virtues of Cottolene. It pays to be abreast of the times. Cottolene is not only superior to lard from a health standpoint, being a vegetable rather than an animal product, but it will make more palatable food than lard; and it is more economical than lard because, being richer, one-third less is required than of lard or cooking butter.

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