

FINDS RED BOY IS DELINQUENT

Jury's Verdict in Less Than Hour Causes Mother to Have Hysterics.

MAY GO TO REFORMATORY

Unless Case Goes to Supreme Court, Boy Will Be Sent to Salem—Is Given Good Character by Teachers and Associates.

Jackson Reid was held by a Circuit Court jury to be a delinquent child yesterday afternoon, because of having shot and killed George DeMars at the Exposition grounds last August. Although it had been set up that the 12-year-old boy fired in the face of what he believed to be serious danger of an attack by DeMars, who was flourishing an oar at the time, the jury took the view that boys and revolvers are a bad combination and that Jackson was not following a normal course of conduct when he faced DeMars and shot him.

The jury was out less than an hour, retiring at 1:30 P. M. and returning with its verdict at 2:15 o'clock. The boy took the verdict quietly, but his mother broke into hysterical crying. Time was at once asked by attorneys Juleman and Esterley, representing the youthful prisoner, to ask for a new trial. The arguments on this question will be presented at today's session of the juvenile court. It is thought an extension of time will probably be asked if the motion is denied, the boy will be sent to the State Reformatory School unless the case is taken to the Supreme Court and a rehearing ordered.

Lawyers Dispense With Arguments.

Taking of testimony was completed just before adjournment at noon. When court reconvened at 2 P. M., it was decided by the lawyers to dispense with lengthy final arguments. Judge Gantenben delivered his instructions, advising the jury that the case was a remarkable one and possibly difficult to decide. He pointed out that Jackson Reid was charged with being a delinquent child because of having violated a state law, that governing murder in the first degree. If the jury was satisfied that murder or homicide had been committed and that it was not justified under the plea of self-defense, then a verdict declaring the lad a delinquent should be returned, the court said. But if it was found that the boy had acted in self-defense when he killed George DeMars, then a verdict of acquittal should be returned.

Testimony was developed during the forenoon to show that young Reid had been thought well of by his playmates, by the neighbors, by the teachers at the Chapman school, and by his Sunday school teacher at the First Presbyterian church. Miss Mary O'Connor and Miss Annie Carter, teachers at the Chapman school, took the stand to say that the boy had always demeaned himself properly in the classroom. Miss Nichols said his deportment was always excellent at Sunday school.

DeMars in Great Passion.

Testimony was also adduced tending to show that George DeMars was in a raging passion when he rushed towards young Reid, who was carrying a war. Roy Baker, who saw the killing, said DeMars seemed to be after the child boy and not after the field dog, which had been barking at John DeMars. He admitted that Jackson set the dog on George DeMars, but said this was not done until the man started behind the chicken coop, after having been ordered off the premises.

Charles Schemp, the boy's stepfather, said many tough characters are in the habit of prowling about what is known as Government Island, where the Schemp home is located. The stepfather said it was frequently necessary for him to be away from the premises and that when away he looked to Jackson to protect his sisters and the other little children from traps.

Boy's Good Character Shown.

Rev. Father Murphy was called to the stand to describe a picnic attended by a party of Catholic young people. He said the Reid boy accompanied the party and was extremely courteous, showing them about the place and making himself useful in many ways. Patrick Bruin, ex-Captain of Detectives and Inspector of Police, was then called in the capacity of an expert in revolver shooting. By his testimony it was expected to show that in firing a revolver without aim as young Reid did it was only an accident that the bullet hit DeMars.

Unluckily for Bruin, Deputy District Attorney Thad Vreeland happens to be something of an expert on revolver shooting. He belongs to shooting clubs and has gone into the scientific aspects of the game.

Testimony Causes Smiles.

"Twenty-two years," was the prompt reply. "What's the trigger pull on a service pistol?" "The regulations require seven pounds." Presiding Judge Gantenben, who commanded a battalion of infantry in the islands, and who is himself an authority on shooting, couldn't fight back a series of smiles which overcame his face. "Then a team of mules must be used to pull the trigger," suggested the prosecuting officer. "And what is the range of an ordinary pistol?" was next asked. "A hundred to two hundred yards," replied Captain Bruin. "Now isn't it a fact that 75 feet is the extreme range of the largest yards in territory and population in the city."

yards in the Army. In fact I killed a man once at 1000 yards with a mauser pistol. The Government gave me \$1000 for doing it." "You must have scared him to death," suggested Mr. Vreeland. "No, there was a pretty big hole in him when I got over there where he was," said the former constabulary chief.

GRAND JURY PROBING POLICE

Looking Into North End Regulation. Visits Atwood Hospital.

The county grand jury began yesterday to probe into the manner in which the police enforce the law in the North End. It is probable that the result of its investigation in this particular case will be incorporated into its report at the end of the month. Whether or not the discoveries made will result in the return of indictments against officials in the Police Department is not yet known. During the past few days the grand jury has been taking in a number of county institutions, among them being the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society. It is known also that the jurors paid a visit Wednesday to the hospital conducted by the Drs. Atwood, at Tremont station. It was after their return from this institution that Judge Gantenben issued a bench warrant for the juvenile court for the apprehension of two children claimed by Miss M. Petty, the matron of the Atwood maternity hospital. It is asserted that the two children, Flossie, 3 years old, and Florence, 2 years old, have been permitted to remain in the operating room while operations were being performed, and that Miss Petty is not a proper person to have their custody. Pending the hearing in the juvenile court the children will remain in the care of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society. It was thought that habeas corpus proceedings would be begun, but owing to the fact that this would occasion in getting the case before the court, it is thought that such action will not be resorted to.

SAYS WIFE WILL NOT REFORM

G. K. Beecher Aims His Troubles in Divorce Petition.

In the statement that he has tried in vain to reform his wife, George K. Beecher has brought suit in the Circuit Court to obtain a divorce from Minnie Beecher. They were married at Oregon City, January 17, 1904, and have one child. Beecher says that his wife has been extremely cruel to him, treating him with contempt and at the same time courting the favors of her male acquaintances. In July, 1904, while they were living at Lenta, he says, she went away and remained four weeks. He also declares that six months later she eloped to Salem with O. E. Seeley. The Ladies Aid Society became interested in the case, after the pair had been arrested, says Beecher, and wrote to him about the matter. He says he begged his wife to return to him, which she did, in the custody of a deputy sheriff. The escapade was published in the Salem papers, says Beecher. The husband says his wife continually neglected their child, frequently remaining away from home during 1907 until after midnight. In December, 1907, she deserted him, he says, and has not returned, although he has done everything in his power to induce her to change her ways.

BUCHANAN ESTATE APPRAISED

Building Chief Asset of Property Worth \$208,083.

The estate of D. E. Buchanan has been appraised at \$208,083, says George E. Wilcox, F. A. Knapp and J. D. Wilcox, the appraisers, filed their report in the County Court yesterday. East half of lots 2 and 3, block 63, Portland, is appraised at \$150,000. This is the property on Washington street, near Fifth, on which the Buchanan building stands. City improvement bonds held by the estate are entered in the appraisers' report at their par value, \$55,182.35. The estate has cash deposited with the Portland Trust Company in the amount of \$1,612.24, and the First National Bank to the amount of \$4808.72. Captain Buchanan was well known in Portland, having been at one time a member of the Port of Portland Commission.

WILL FIGHT VOTE CAST

ANTI-ANNEXATIONISTS TO CONTEST ELECTION.

Certain Residents of Mount Scott District Do Not Want to Come In to Portland as Was Decided.

Territory in the Mount Scott district, embracing section 7, 8, 17 and 18 and a fraction of another, is now part of Portland by virtue of the large majority cast for annexation at the election Monday. The opponents of annexation succeed in having the election declared illegal on the ground that it was not a general one. The anti-annexationists have given out the following statement: "The election of this district to Portland on this ground, and they look to the Supreme Court to declare the election illegal. The lower courts have held that the election is a general one, and it is considered improbable that the Supreme Court will interfere now that the vote has been taken and so large a majority has declared for annexation."

The total vote cast in the district was 1280, of which 787 were for and 493 were against annexation, the majority in favor being 294. Last June there was a majority of 509 against coming into the city, but the experience of last summer, when water was short, evidently changed the tide in favor of annexation.

The population of the territory is estimated from 6000 to 7000. There are about 1200 dwellings in this section, practically all owned by the occupants, and a proportion of home-owners being estimated at 50 per cent. The present water supply is mainly from the Woodmere Water Company. This is the present system as a temporary plant and the next problem will be to get Bull Run water as soon as possible. If there is to be relief from the suffering caused by last summer's shortage, action will have to be taken soon.

It has been suggested that a 24-inch main be laid from Mount Tabor and connected with the present system as a temporary arrangement to get water before next summer. A member of the Water Committee points out that such a pipe line can be laid the same as a sewer under the recent amendment to the City Charter.

At Woodstock and Tremont citizens are supplied by the Fleck water plant. There are also several other smaller water plants. The district east of Montavilla, which was also voted in, is a strip half a mile wide by two miles long, and contains but a small population. The former territory will be added to the Seventh ward and the Montavilla territory to the Eighth ward, making them the largest wards in territory and population in the city.

BUSINESS MEN TO FEEL IMPETUS

Merchants Report Increase in All Lines With Election of Taft.

BANK CLEARINGS ADVANCE

Traveling Men Also Say That Orders From Coast Merchants Increase and Are No Longer Conditional.

Wholesalers, retailers, bankers, real estate men and business men generally declare that evidences of a return of public confidence and marked improvement in business conditions as a result of Taft's success are already manifest, and predict immediate and increased activity in all lines.

As conclusive proof of the improved tone of business resulting from Taft's election, the principal banks here for the day immediately following the election were the highest since the financial depression a year ago. Indeed, only twice has the mark been exceeded. On Wednesday the total clearings were \$1,839,270. The highest clearings for Portland were on March 11, 1907, when they totaled \$1,884,099.

Sales Show Big Gain.

One of the signs of the times, or at least one of the signs that begin to figure since the election, is the difference experienced by traveling men representing Eastern wholesale and importing houses in placing orders on this coast. At the principal hotels traveling men say that a noticeable change has taken place in the form of orders given. For the past few weeks orders were given for goods with "a string" attached—being given "hold for shipping instructions." That meant but one thing, according to the salesmen, that the orders were subject to cancellation in the event the election would go a certain way.

Salesmen say, almost without exception, that orders taken in the last two days are given without this proviso, which they figure out means that with Taft's election assured Coast merchants are anxious that goods ordered shall come through without delay.

A few expressions of improved conditions given yesterday by local citizens follow:

Wholesale Men Pleased.

Wholesalers generally expressed satisfaction with the result of the election and declared that already there are signs of improved business conditions. A renewal of confidence on the part of the public and consequently a general impetus to business conditions is already perceptible, it is said.

"The effects on business conditions as the result of the election will be gradual," said I. Lang, of the wholesale grocery firm of Lang & Company. "There will be no instantaneous or rapid change, for business does not move that way, but the change will be gradual and constantly for the better. And it will be noticeable from this time on to the year 1909. I think that within the next year conditions will be considerably above the normal."

"There is already a marked increase in business and customers and the public generally express a more hopeful and satisfactory tone," said J. Durkheim, of the wholesale grocery firm of Wadhams & Company. "Every one seems to be satisfied and there is a marked increase in business. The increase will continue gradually until things are in even better conditions than they were. Business men generally, I think, have felt that the election of Taft meant a return of prosperous conditions, while they felt that the election of Bryan meant the opposite."

Looks for Record-Breaker.

"Business will pick up shortly to such an extent that it will probably exceed anything we have ever had," said Mr. Falling, of the wholesale hardware firm of Hain & McCalmann. "For several months the public has been too busy talking and thinking politics to attend to business. But today business went with a rush and the effects of Taft's election were immediately perceptible. The next two months will be better from a business standpoint, in my opinion, than any corresponding period for years."

Railroad Work to Go Ahead.

"While we feel that the result of the Presidential election will benefit us greatly, we do not believe that the work in hand would have been affected one bit by the election of Bryan," said an official of the Harriman lines. General Manager O'Brien was out of the city on an official tour of the line, and the statement was given by another officer of the company.

"We have continued the official, 'already improved 16 miles of the 221 miles of track of light rails which the company had intended to replace with 75-cent steel rails before the election. Besides, we have placed orders for \$2,000,000 worth of equipment, and we believe work upon one or two projects will be begun. The result of the election makes the early beginning of the work more probable, but I may say at the same time that this work would be done anyhow, so great is the confidence of Mr. Harriman in the future of the Northwest."

Colonist Movement Expected.

"Now that the election is over and the country will have a settled policy for the next four years, the railroads will go ahead with the improvement they had contemplated," said Assistant General Passenger Agent Charlton, of the Northern Pacific. "The financial interests will go ahead with the work intended, and the result will be an enlargement of both freight and passenger traffic. Colonists will arrive in large numbers, but a great many people have been holding off in the East only for an opportunity to get a chance to settle in the Pacific Northwest. The opportunity is now advanced, and they will dispose of their holdings and come West."

Every Man in Portland Who Has Any Economical Tendencies Whatever Should Be Attracted by This Most Extraordinary Value-Giving Sale

FOR TWO DAYS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

We offer regular \$35 suits of chevot, cassimere and tweeds (new Fall goods) for

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BEGIN CANVASS FOR FUNDS

ROSE FESTIVAL TO START ON ACTIVE CAMPAIGN.

Solicitors Called in During Election Time Will Be Started Out Again to Raise Money.

Deficiency of the Public Schools.

200 NEW SUITS.

300 Women's Fine Tailored Suits, \$25, \$30 and \$35 values at, special, \$11.95 each. On sale today (Friday) only.

With interest in the National election subsided, the Rose Festival will now actively renew its financial campaign to raise the necessary fund for carrying on the third annual floral exposition during the second week of June next year. It was thought best to call in the solicitors last week in view of the fact that the directors of the Baby's Home were making their strenuous campaign, and it was also found that the Presidential campaign was militating against the successful canvass for money for the local celebration.

RAINCOATS

We are making Raincoats for men and women that have a distinctness of style, and the materials are thoroughly cravenetted. A tailor-made Raincoat fits better, wears longer, looks dressier. \$20 to \$40

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CONTRIBUTED VOLUNTARILY AND MUCH MORE IS IN SIGHT.

Planned campaign to a whirlwind canvass of not more than two weeks' duration, and the mark toward which the association will strive is \$50,000 and if possible \$100,000. The public interest manifested in the campaign will alone determine the amount subscribed.

AIMS BLOW AT DESERTERS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—An earnest plea for additional prison accommodation is made by Captain E. H. Campbell, Judge-Advocate-General of the Navy, in his annual report. The Judge-Advocate-General also recommends legislation to increase from a maximum of one to two and a half years the period during which a deserter from the Navy may be imprisoned. He believes that such an extension of the penalty to make it equal to the punishment provided in the Army would effectively lessen such desertion. Captain Campbell recommends legislation authorizing the entire sentence of a summary court-martial, including the loss of pay, to be carried into execution upon approval by the senior officer present instead of upon approval by the Secretary of the Navy. This suggestion is made in order that annoying delays in the execution of sentences may be avoided.

RECIPE FOR BACKACHE AND KIDNEY TROUBLE

Directions to Prepare Home-Made Mixture Said to Be Splendid.

To make up enough of the "Dandelion treatment" which is claimed to be relieving nearly every sufferer who uses it for backache, kidney complaint, sore weak bladder and rheumatism; get from any good prescription pharmacy one-half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion, one ounce Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and again at bedtime.

Those who have tried it claim that it acts gently but thoroughly on the kidneys, relieving backache and bladder trouble and urinary difficulties before you realize it. Many cases of rheumatism are known to have been relieved within a few days, the pain and swelling diminishing with each dose.

This simple recipe is said to strengthen and cleanse the eliminative tissues of the kidneys so that they can filter and strain from the blood and system the poisons, acids and waste matter, which cause not only rheumatism, but numerous other diseases. Every man or woman here who feels that their kidneys are not healthy and active, or who suffers from any urinary trouble whatever, should not hesitate to make up this mixture, as it is certain to do much good, and may save you from much misery and suffering after while.

FATHER HELPS POLICE CATCH SON.

CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—After a search lasting since May 3 last, William DeBerge, son of George DeBerge, under indictment for the alleged theft of \$500, from the Prairie State Bank, of this city, was arrested in Cheyenne, Wyo., yesterday. It is said the clew which resulted in DeBerge's arrest was furnished by the boy's father, who wants him prosecuted. Miss Paula Mohles, daughter of Paul Mohles, to whom young DeBerge had been paying attention, disappeared when DeBerge left last Spring. Two months later the girl was brought back to Chicago by her parents from Long Island, New York, where she had gone, the police say, with DeBerge.