OLD CONSPIRACY CHARGED IN SUIT

Plot to Defraud Government of $100,000 in Timber Lands Is Alleged.

SUIT HAS LONG HUNG FIRE

Object Is to Have Titles to 46 Claims, Said to Be Fraudulent, Canceled—Indictments for Conspiracy May Be Outcome.

Through the filing of a complaint in a suit of equity before United States Judge Charles E. Wolverton by United States Attorney John McCourt, there is brought into the broad light of day the story of a conspiracy to defraud the Government out of timber lands amounting to over $100,000, that neither death by vilence and flood, nor death by natural causes, nor even forgery has protected. While the story of the conspiracy has been known to the Federal officials since 1903, the alleged conspirators J. W. Scriber, S. W. Spencer, Asa B. Thompson, Harrison Hale, Vawter Crawford, G. W. Rae, David Wilson, Alfred Coolidge, trustee; Frank Melvin, A. S. Crowder, A. M. Ross and others, escaped indictment because Francis J. Heney, who was then prosecuting land-grafters, had so many cases on hand at the time that, the statute of limitation was about run, and he was forced to pass over this case, along with many others.

Case Has Been Crowded Out.

It was one of the cases W. C. Bristol, while he was United States Attorney, could not reach because of the same condition, and in the natural run of events, United States Attorney McCourt fell heir to it. Long before this, however, the statute had run and the conspirators, at any rate those who are still alive, felt themselves safe.

But they were not. There was the recent exposure of the Farmers & Traders National Bank at La Grande, of which J. W. Scriber, one of the men named in the complaint, was president.

The connection that Scriber had with the conspiracy, which is said to have cost him over $10,000, came out when his many forgeries was discovered. In fact, it is said that one of the first notes that Scriber is said to have forged had to do with this conspiracy. This was the Asa B. Thompson note for $6000.

How Thompson Forced Scriber In.

First the story of the Thompson note and then the story of the conspiracy, as divulged by the complaint just filed Thompson was receiver of the General Land Office at La Grande in 1903 and 1904. There were ugly rumors about Thompson's methods of doing business with a certain clique of land-grabbers and he was finally indicted in 1904 for alleged bribe-taking from the well-known Eastern Oregon sheep king, Charles Cunningham. John Hall was at that time United States Attorney. Thompson was tried and acquitted. A year before this he had borrowed from Scriber on his own personal note, $6000. The note was issued August 3, 1903. In September Heney was sending terror into the hearts of the land-grabbers and the conspirators, who had grabbed 46 fine timber claims in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

It became known to them that Captain John Alexander had made an investigation and had sent a report to Washington. Then still another investigation was made by Colonel A. R. Greene. He visited Heppner, where the original conspiracy was formed, and later made a visit to La Grande.

Gets Hold of Own Note.

Thompson was still receiver and used the Farmers & Traders Bank as his depository. Scriber at the time was in Portland, it is said for the purpose of finding out just what Heney was going to do in regard to the Morrow and Umatilla County timber claims that he and others had entrymen file on. While in Portland, Thompson, it is said, became greatly alarmed over Colonel Greene's appearance. He was fearful that Colonel Greene would know of this $6000 note. Thompson, it seems, called at the bank and made known his fears to G. E. McCully, the assistant cashier, and persuaded McCully to give him (Thompson) the note. McCully, it seems, realized that he had done wrong in turning over this note and he wrote Scriber telling him of what he had done.

Shortly after this, Scriber returned to La Grande and demanded the return of the Thompson note, but Thompson kept putting him off. At last Scriber knew that the bank examiner was coming and again he appealed to Thompson for the return of the note, but again he was met with a refusal. Scriber became desperate. He had to account for the $6000. Thompson, perhaps, taking advantage of the conspiracy in which Scriber, himself and others were engaged, knew that Scriber would not dare make open complaint about the note and laughed at the demands for his return. Scriber solved the dilemma by forging Thompson's name to another note. This is the story of the Asa B. Thommpson forged note, discovered when the exposure came. Scriber, finding that this deception was so easy, it seems, committed other forgeries, but the Thompson forgery was the first.

Conspiracy Like Novel.

The story of the conspiracy reads like a chapter out of a dime novel. The Heppner flood, which occurred June 14, 1903, swept away two of the original conspirators. They were William Ayres and Dr. P. B. McSword. Another of the men named in the complaint is George Conser, a banker at Heppner, who died within the last year. According to the story, William Ayres, who was at the head of the Ayres Cattle Company, was the originator of the conspiracy. For a time after the death of William Ayres and Dr. McSword, the attempt to grab the claims remained at a standstill. Finally the remaining men in the deal took in Scriber, Thompson and David Wilson, and with S. W. Spencer and Harrison Hale, the original conspiracy was carried out. In order to make it effective and to avoid detection at the time, Vawter Crawford, who was then County Clerk, of Morrow County, and George W. Rae, who was United States Commissioner, were taken in. It is alleged in the complaint that these two men, Crawford and Rae, knew when they passed on the entries of the existence of the conspiracy.

Old Scheme Was Worked.

The scheme of getting the claims was just the same as others. People were located on the claims by agents, some of whom are named in the complaint. They were furnished with all the money necessary to make the filing and to pay for the claims upon final proof and were given $200 for their claims. This was done by contract. In order still further to protect themselves, once the claims were passed to final proof, certain members of the original conspiracy incorporated the Northwest Timber Company. The papers were taken out in Washington and the home office was located at Spokane. Alfred Coolidge, named in the complaint, was made trustee of the company, which authorized that bonds amounting to $60,000 be issued for the purpose of giving the company the appearance of doing a legitimate business. The timber claims that had been acquired in the conspiracy were mortgaged for this purpose. Of this $60,000 issue only about $32,000 was put out.

The object of bringing the suit is to have the titles of the 46 claims canceled. The men mixed up in the deal cannot be indicted at this time for defrauding the Government out of its lands, yet if it is shown during the course of the trial, that the Northwest Timber Company was organized and has continued ever since to do business, it will be considered proof of the continuance of the conspiracy and indictments may follow.

TO HASTEN CHURCH UNIONS

COMMITTEE NAMED AT MEETING OF MINISTERS.

Merging of United Evangelical, United Brethren and Evangelical Association Proposed.

That the movement for organic union of the Evangelical and United Brethren Churches is progressing altogether too slowly was the unanimous decision of the Portland Evangelical-United Brethren Association, which met yesterday forenoon in the First English Evangelical Church, East Sixth and East Market streets, and steps were taken to expedite this union.

Dr. C. C. Poling, recent president of the Western College of La Mars, Ia., and also formerly president of the Dallas College, spoke with earnestness on the subject, declaring that the Portland Association should undertake the work of education for union in the West. He suggested that first a circular letter be prepared setting forth the need for organic union of the three churches and sent to all members in the Northwest. This he said should be followed up by the establishment of a periodical for the Pacific Coast at some central point, which should hammer away for organic union. He pointed out that the movement for organic union was being held back and hampered, and the thing to do was to force the issue.

On this point Rev. H. C. Shaffer, pastor of the First United Brethren Church, read the following message from Bishop William Bell:

"The feeling for organic union, and that at once, is strong and growing between the Evangelical Association, the United Evangelical Church, the Methodist Protestant and United Brethren Churches in this district. Hearty spiritual merger of at least some of the denominations out here would simplify our most urgent problems. The governing bodies of all the denominations which have assembled, and which will in future assemble, as is usual, in the East, where church life is strong and more likely to be self-satisfied, should study this development sentiment in these regions and give it deserved consideration. Who can say the spirit of God is not in it? The co-ordinating, aggregating and realigning of the denominations of American Christianity is one of the urgent needs of the hour."

After full discussion, Dr. Poling, of the United Evangelical Church; Rev. H. S. Shaffer, of the United Brethren, and Rev. F. Benz, of the Evangelical Association, were appointed to prepare the circular letter for the membership, and to investigate the feasibility of establishing a periodical to advocate organic union. The plan received the indorsement of Rev. Theo. Schauer, Rev. A. A. Winter, Rev. B. Emerick, Rev. F. B. Culver, and others, in vigorous talks.

The association adopted preamble and resolutions declaring that the city should lose no time in taking steps to secure Hawthorne Park for the use of the public. Rev. A. A. Winter, who brought up the matter, declared that it would be a calamity if this beautiful tract should pass forever from the possibility of the city owning it, and said that he could not understand the apathy of the public in quietly permitting the tract to slip away. It is central, he said, and can be reached by the families of all classes in Central East Portland. Rev. C. C. Poling and Rev. Theo. Schauer spoke for the acquisition of the tract. A committee was appointed to present the resolutions to the Park Commission.

On motion it was decided to meet every Monday morning hereafter, except the first Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held in the First English Church, East Sixth street, Monday, January 11. The association indorsed the evangelistic meetings which are to be held in the First United Brethren Church, commencing January 3, and the special meetings to be held in Lower Albina by Dr. Poling. The matter of holding a central union meeting was deferred until after the sessions of the conference, as a central hall cannot be secured at present.

Amusements

What the Press Agents Say.

Musical Play at Heilig Tonight.

The attraction at the Heilig Theater, Fourteenth and Washington streets, tonight at 8:15 o'clock, and every night this week, with special matinees New Year's day and Saturday, will be George M. Cohan's greatest musical play, "Fifty Miles From Boston." An excellent cast of principles, pretty chorus that can sing the many catchy songs and an elaborate production go to make up this happy offering.

"Are You a Mason?" at Bungalow.

All the popular members of Baker Stock Company have great parts this week in the lively farce, "Are You a Mason?" and the comedy situations pile onto each other with surprising rapidity. Special matinee New Years' day as well as the regular matinee Saturday.

"Shore Acres" Matinee Tomorrow.

The regular bargain matinee of "Shore Acres" at the Baker will be given tomorrow and a special Holiday matinee New Year's day. "Shore Acres" is a play that will live for years to come. It was originally written and starred in by the author-actor, James A. Hearne.

"Why Girls Leave Home" at the Star.

The play bearing the odd and striking title, "Why Girls Leave Home," is the attraction at the Star this week. It is much better written than the majority of plays of its class and does not depend upon mechanical contrivances for its success.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS.

Orpheum This Week.

There is another bill on at the Orpheum this week of unusual merit and contains all the elements necessary for the production of a high-class show. There are a couple of excellent sketches, some acrobatic work, some marvelous rifle shooting and the world-famous minstrel king, George Primrose, and his dancing boys.

Great Bill at Pantages.

The latest creation in vaudeville is George Homan's "A Night With the Poets," which opened at Pantages Theater yesterday to standing room only. The production is dainty and picturesque, something after the style of the once famous living pictures, but in a much richer setting.

New Bill a Hit.

At the Grand this week there is a vaudeville programme which is a succession of strong hits. From the dancing horse, Columbus, ridden by Mlle. Summerville, to the motion pictures, there is not a wait nor a dull minute. The show is one of the best that have come to the Grand.

TAXPAYERS GRANT TEACHERS' RAISE

Majority Report of Board of Education Goes Through With Whoop.

WITTENBERG FIGHTS ALONE

Chairman of Board Offers Minority Report at Meeting, but Is Received With Jeers and Hisses. Many Teachers Present.

Amid uproarous applause, the majority report of the Board of Education was overwhelmingly adopted by the taxpayers of School District No. 1, at a largely-attended meeting, held in the West Portland High School building last night. This gives the teachers of the city schools an increase averaging 15 per cent. A minority report by Chairman Herman Wittenberg, was given slight consideration and when he undertook to defend his attitude he was met with jeers and hisses. He submitted a schedule of salaries, providing greater proportionate increase of pay for the smaller-paid teachers than for those higher paid, on the ground that they deserve more, the basis for alvance asked being the increase in the cost of living in Portland in the past few years.

The large auditorium and the galleries were filled to overflowing and Chairman Wittenberg, who presided, declared, in his statement as to his position in the matter of salaries, that the teachers were represented in large numbers. It is certain that a great many of them were present, but whether they made the major portion of the noise, is unknown, but Mr. Wittenberg said they did. After the vote was taken, he congratulated the teachers and said he gladly deferred to the wishes of the taxpayers of the district. The vote was so overwhelming that he at first did not call for the negative vote, the question being on the motion of W. P. Olds on the adoption of the majority report, but W. M. Ladd asked for the "nays," and two persons stood up.

W. P. Olds Praises Teachers.

After the reading of the annual report of Clerk Allen, by Assistant Clerk R. H. Thomas, the majority and minority reports were read by Chairman Wittenberg, and at the close Mr. Olds arose and moved the adoption of the majority report. This was quickly seconded by some one in the rear of the audience and Mr. Olds proceeded to laud the teachers of Portland's public schools and also the members of the Board of Education. The teachers, he declared, have long been underpaid and are richly deserving of the increase recommended in the majority report. He declared that the directors of the district, also, have always been exceedingly careful not to do anything rash, and that all of the recommendations they have made from year to year have been shown by experience to be based upon sound judgment and for the best interests of the school system.

Dr. Andrew C. Smith was recognized by Chairman Wittenberg and moved an amendment to the motion of Mr. Olds, that the teachers be granted the increase sought for by them, namely, 20 per cent advance. He then paid his respects to the teachers in glowing terms and expressed his chagrin at the knowledge of the fact that Portland's teachers are paid less than in many of the other large cities of the Coast. He characterized this as disgraceful and said it is particularly humiliating, in view of the fact that this is an immensely wealthy municipality and can well afford to pay first-class salaries. In Seattle, he said, there is burdensome taxation for many things, yet they pay their teachers better than in Portland. He was frequently interrupted by bursts of applause.

Wittenberg Called to Order.

At the conclusion of Dr. Smith's remarks Chairman Wittenberg began speaking from the chair and was promptly called to order by some one in the audience, who sang out loudly, "If you want to speak, take the floor."

"I recognize the gentleman," replied Chairman Wittenberg, and he then called Director J. V. Beach to the chair, "so that I can accommodate the gentleman who called me to the front."

Mr. Wittenberg then stated in detail his attitude, saying that there has been no quarrel whatever between himself and the other members of the Board of Education on the question of salary increases, but he said that as a matter of principle, he wished to put up a fight for at least equal increases for the smaller paid teachers, as he said he calculated it costs them as much to live as it does the better-paid teachers, "even though they may have been teaching 20 years."

It being on the basis of higher cost of living, he declared, that the increases are asked, he believed that the poorer-paid ones should receive better proportionate pay than that recommended in the majority report. He said he simply regarded it as an injustice to so rate the pay that the teachers now receiving the smallest pay will get less in proportion than the higher-paid teachers. He also said that, taking into consideration the cost of living, Portland pays its teachers better than any city on the Coast.

"It costs at least 40 per cent more to live in San Francisco," declared Mr. Wittenberg, "than it does in Portland, as I know from my business experience. We have to pay $100 in San Francisco for a house that here we could rent for $50.

At this point loud hisses and jeers from all sections of the house greeted Mr. Wittenberg, but he remained calm, and when the din died down, he reiterated what he had said, and declared he was "ready to prove it."

Business Proposition, Says Speaker.

"I am not playing to the galleries," continued Mr. Wittenberg, "and although I seem to be on the unpopular side, I am fighting for a principle. If the majority report is adopted, I will acknowledge to the taxpayers of the district that I am in the wrong; but I want to tell you that this is not a matter of sentiment, but it is a cold-blooded business proposition, regulated by supply and demand. And notwithstanding all that has been said about our 'poorly-paid' teachers, we have four times the applications for positions that we can fill; we are not losing any teachers, they are all with us. I simply want to see the poorer-paid teachers get a better rate of pay than that recommended in the majority report. It is simply nothing more than a fair deal to them; and a fair deal, I take it, is what you want, or is it a case of 'them as has gits'?"

There was tremendous din, hand-clapping and cheering, and, when it subsided, Mr. Wittenberg said:

"Those of you who are making the most noise, I believe, are the ones who are going to get this money."

And there were more hisses and jeers.

Dr. Clarence True Wilson, pastor of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, arose and moved a substitute motion for both motions before the house, but this was ruled out of order by Mr. Wittenberg, who had resumed the chair, and the amendment by Dr. Smith was put and failed to pass. The original motion by Mr. Olds was then announced and the vote overwhelmingly adopted the majority report. So great was the majority for the motion that Mr. Wittenberg did not call for the "nays" until asked by W. M. Ladd to do so. Only two arose, and they sat down quickly.

The vote adopted the majority report, which calls for a levy of 4.7 mills for the expenses of the district during the coming year.

RATE PROTEST PLANNED

RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS SEE PORTLAND JOBBERS.

Oregon and Washington Bodies May Appeal to Interstate Commerce Commission Against Advance.

Action that will probably lead to a protest from the railroad commissions of Oregon and Washington on the advance in transcontinental freight rates was taken yesterday, when members of the Oregon Commission, A. H. Fairchild, representing the Washington Commission, and local jobbers met to consider the increased rates. While the state commissions have nothing to do with interstate rates, it is likely that they may make recommendations to the Interstate Commerce Commission on the subject.

As yet it is too early to predict what these recommendations may be. Yesterday's meeting did not make sufficient progress to take up the subject of recommendations. The session was informal and it is understood it was initiated by the jobbers, the two railroad commissions meeting with the wholesalers by invitation. Facts and figures were produced and considered, special attention being paid to the increase of rates wherever they affect the natural products of this state. Merchandise rates were not reached at yesterday's session.

While the meeting was of a preliminary nature, further meetings will be held and a complete investigation of the increase in transcontinental freight rates is promised and recommendations will follow. Commissioner Faircnild was asked to participate so that the two states may take concerted action in the matter, when it is learned what course is best to follow.

The two Railroad Commissions, however, are not taking the initiative. They were asked to meet in conference with local jobbers and did so only to be of what service they could in aiding the interests of the two Northwest states. Members of the Oregon Commission, acting only in an advisory capacity, declined to discuss the matter last night or to make predictions as to what course will ultimately be followed. It is understood the Interstate Commerce Commission will be reached through the local commissions.

Commissioners Aitchison, West and Campbell, of the Oregon Commission, and H. A. Fairchild, of the Washington Commission, met with a committee of Portland jobbers, consisting of the following prominent Portland wholesalers: A. H. Devers, Henry Hahn, Sam Mears, Edward Newbegin and A. L. Lewis. J. N. Teal was present as attorney for the jobbers.

It was not known when the meeting adjourned yesterday when the next session will be held, but it is expected it will be within a short time. It is desired to complete the investigation of the advance in rates soon after the first of the year, so data may be submitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission, together with the recommendations of the two Railroad Commissions, within the coming month. A complaint filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, seeking to prevent the increase in transcontinental freight rates, seems likely. Jobbers in California will, it is said, act with those of the North Pacific Coast.

TO HAVE SEPARATE DEPOT

New York, New Haven and Hartford Will Be Independent in New York.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 28.—The Evening Post says:

It is learned here today that the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad is about to make a most important move by establishing its own passenger station in New York City, in the vicinity of Third avenue and Thirty-fourth street. It is stated that the New Haven Company has just brought to a successful conclusion negotiations by which it will take over the Third-Avenue Street Railway Company of New York, now in the hands of a receiver.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—At the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co., it was stated that nothing of the reported intention of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company to purchase the Third-Avenue Street Railroad was known.

NO BAIL FOR COOPERS

Killing of ex-Senator Carmack Held Not to Be Bailable.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 28.—Judge W. M. Hart today refused to admit to bail Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, Robin G. Cooper and John S. Sharp, charged with the murder of Senator E. W. Carmack, November 9.

The courtroom was crowded with spectators when the court had finished the brief opinion. The defendants were surrounded by reassuring friends, who grasped their hands and said comforting words to them. The prisoners were conducted back to jail to await their trial on January 20.

San Pedro Shipping News.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 28.—The steamer Bowdoin has arrived five days from Aberdeen with lumber.

After having discharged a part cargo of lumber at Rodondo the Star Western arrived from Grays Harbor with 500,000 feet for this port.

The steamer Yellowstone has arrived six days from Portland with railroad ties.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 28.—Maximum temperature, 48.8 degrees; minimum, 45.1 degrees. River reading at 8 A. M., 5.2 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.8 foot rise. Total rainfall, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.17 inches; total rainfall since September 1, 1908, 12.20 inches; normal, 18.63 inches; deficiency, 6.33 inches. Total sunshine, December 27, 1908, none; possible, 8 hours 36 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 30.21 inches.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Probably fair; westerly winds.

Oregon—Fair; colder east portion; westerly winds.

Washington—Fair, except rain near coast; colder east portion; westerly winds.

Idaho—Fair north, clearing south portion; colder.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The North Pacific storm has moved rapidly eastward to the region north of Montana. It caused the following maximum wind velocities: North Head, 60 miles south; Tatoosh Island, 48 miles southwest; Spokane, 36 miles southwest, and Portland, 26 miles southwest. The rainfall attending this disturbance has been general, but light, except in the Sound country and along the Strait of Fuca, where it has been moderately heavy. The temperatures in the North Pacific states are from 4 to 10 degrees above normal.

The indications are for generally fair weather in this district Tuesday, with lower temperatures.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Observations taken at 5 P. M., Pacific time, December 28:

STATIONS	Maximum temp	Precipitation past 12 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of weather
Baker City	44	0.06	4	SW	Clear
Bismarck	32	0.00	14	SW	Clear
Boise	48	T.	4	SE	Pt Cloudy
Eureka	56	0.02	4	NW	Cloudy
Helena	48	0.04	16	SW	Snow
North Head	46	0.06	18	W	Cloudy
Pocatello	44	0.04	12	SW	Rain
Portland	49	0.07	9	SW	Pt Cloudy
Red Bluff	38	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Roseburg	54	0.30	4	NW	Pt Cloudy
Sacramento	38	0.00	6	N	Cloudy
Salt Lake	42	0.00	4	N	Cloudy
San Francisco	46	0.00	6	N	Cloudy
Spokane	44	0.00	12	SW	Clear
Tacoma	46	T.	12	SW	Pt Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	44	0.10	24	W	Rain
Walla Walla	52	0.00	12	SW	Clear
Blaine	44	0.00	8	SW	Cloudy
Siskiyou	40	0.02	4	W	Pt Cloudy
Marshfield	52	0.12	4	SW	Cloudy

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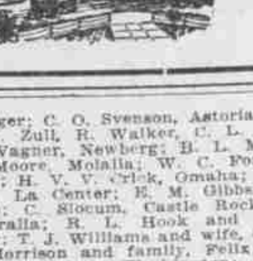

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