

FOUR INDICTED FOR LAND FRAUDS

Former Witness for Defense in Lewiston Cases Turns State's Evidence.

BANK TANGLE INVOLVED

Government Believed to Have Secured New Evidence Against Officials Once Convicted, but Later Granted New Trials.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Nov. 5.—(Special.)—In the Federal court today the grand jury reported bills of indictment against William F. Kettenbach, George H. Kestel, William Dwyer and Harvey J. Steffey.

Two years ago Kettenbach, Dwyer and Kestel, together with Clarence W. Robnett, were convicted in this court on a similar charge in other cases. The Court of Appeals discharged Robnett and granted the other three defendants new trials, which have been set for January.

At the former trials Harvey J. Steffey was an important witness for the defense, but since all the Idaho land-fraud cases have been deferred to Special Assistant Attorney-General Peyton Gordon, Steffey has turned state's evidence and testified for the prosecution, which now contends that Steffey was a locator and go-between for the other defendants and certain claimants under the timber and stave laws.

The particular offense on which the indictments are based dated from October 20, 1892, and although more than three years have passed it is held that the statute of limitation has not run, because the alleged conspiracy continued to exist. These new indictments are considered important, for it is held that the indictments were killed under the decision of the Supreme Court in the Williamson case. The new indictment charges conspiracy before the claimants entered the lands.

These indictments, coming while the grand jury is engaged in investigating the Lewiston National Bank case, tend to the belief that much has been discovered from the bank records to strengthen the Government land-fraud cases. Kettenbach, Dwyer and Robnett were formerly president, cashier and bookkeeper, respectively, of the Lewiston National Bank. After their conviction they resigned and long afterward bank examiners discovered a shortage of \$137,000 in the bank's accounts.

ARTILLERY TO BE MOVED

Troops and Headquarters to Be Shifted to Fort Russell.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—While no definite orders have been received, it is generally understood that the headquarters of the Fourth Field Artillery, the band and officers will be shifted to Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. The officers to go with the batteries will include Regimental Commander, Colonel Alexander B. Dyer and his staff, Captain Leroy S. Lyon, Captain Adrian S. Fleming, the non-commissioned staff and the officers of the Fourth Field Artillery Band.

To fill the places of the departing artillerymen it is now the plan of the War Department to send here two batteries, C and D of the Second Field Artillery, from the Philippine Islands. Captain and animals will arrive about August 15. These soldiers will have completed two years' service in the Philippines on San Francisco. One hundred and thirty men and about 75 animals will be included. Another station to accommodate the horses and mules will be built before that time.

The moving of these artillery headquarters has nothing to do with the removal of department headquarters, which has been rumored for some time. It is stated that there are now four batteries stationed at Fort Russell, and only two at Vancouver Barracks, so it has been deemed advisable to have the regimental headquarters where the largest number of artillery troops are stationed.

FORFEIT CLAUSE STICKLER

Man Who Deeds O. R. & N. Right of Way Seeks Damages.

WALLOWA, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Judge Knowles held a special session in Chouteau County in this city Wednesday to take corroborative evidence in the right-of-way case between Hector McDonald and the O. R. & N. Co.

In making deed to the right of way in February, 1908, Hector McDonald had inserted in the deed a clause providing that the road should be completed over the right of way within two years from the date of the deed.

The road was not built over the right of way until September, 1908. In the interval between February and September of that year, McDonald declared a forfeiture of the right of way.

Judge Knowles still has the matter under advisement and will render a decision at a later date.

VIKING SHIP BRAVES SEAS

Two Men and Four Sailors Plan Trip to Norway via Suez.

SEATTLE, Nov. 5.—The Viking ship, which was used in the picturesque celebration of Norway day at the world's fair, will sail to Norway by way of the Suez Canal, carrying its own crew, Finn Frolich, the Frolich, the well-known skipper; Captain Ole Brude, who some years ago crossed the Atlantic in an 18-foot lifeboat, and a crew of four Norwegian seamen.

The ship will start from Seattle early next spring, going first to San Francisco, then to Honolulu, Japan and through the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean.

LAD SORRY M'CREIDIE WON

Messenger Boy Overworked Carrying Messages of Congratulation.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—The messenger boy for the Western Union in this city is the sole person in Clark County who regrets that a

Vancouver man, Judge McCreddie, was elected to go to Congress from the Second Congressional District. And the reason for this is that so many telegrams of congratulation have come in during the past several days that he is kept busy on the run between the telegraph office and Congressman McCreddie's residence on Eleventh street. The street is being paved, so the lad cannot use a bicycle. The mailcarrier on that route has to carry an extra package of letters for the newly-elected Congressman, and all kinds of packages are arriving daily. Today, when Senator John L. Wilson, of Seattle, was dining with Congressman McCreddie, at his home, the mailcarrier arrived with a large armful of mail, and among it was one long box, 18 inches in length. On it was written "The Length of Congressman McCreddie's Shoes." "Shoes for the new Congressman, will he fill them?" and a number of messages of congratulation. Upon opening the package it was found to contain a beautiful bouquet from E. H. Story, of Montesano, Wash. The package had been decorated by the postal clerks, through whose hands it passed, but on the inside was a neat little card from Mr. Story, stating that it was a pleasure to present him with the flowers, and congratulating him upon his victory. Will G. Mac Rae, who acted as the

LIVED 94 YEARS AT GERVAIS.

Mrs. Mary Frances Ritchey, Deceased.

GERVAIS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary Frances Ritchey, who died near here November 3, crossed the plains in 1852 to Jacksonville, Or. She and her husband had been tenants of this section for 34 years. She was a native of Nicholas County, Kentucky, and married in Jackson County in 1855. To the family seven sons and daughters were born, all of whom survive—Mrs. Josie Wood, Riley Ritchey, Henry L. Ritchey, all of Salem; Charles W. Ritchey, of Woodburn; George S. Ritchey, of Mount Angel; Mrs. Addie Manning and John C. Ritchey, of Gervais.

Judge's campaign manager, will likely be chosen as Congressman McCreddie's secretary.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—A valuable bulldog, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, of Gladstone, left the Wheeler home for a few hours one day last week, and when it returned, the dog was found to have been saturated with coal oil and then set afire. The poor animal was suffering excruciating pain, and when it was very sick, and whose husband is confined in a Portland hospital with a broken limb, called on the Humane Society as soon as she was able and Officer Bradley went to Gladstone, where he ended the sufferings of the dog.

DOG IS OILED; SET AFIRE

Canine at Gladstone Suffers Until Killed by Humane Officer.

WRECK SEVERS MAN'S HEAD

Emply on Logging Train Is Horribly Mangled.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—In a wreck on the logging road in Crech Bros' logging camp near Menlo, Thursday, an employe named McKenle was horribly mangled.

In easing two loaded cars down an incline, a box car and a flat car were uncoupled and carried along with considerable velocity until the locomotive was met coming-up the track and then a grand smash-up occurred. McKenle was thrown under a loaded car, his head was cut clean from his body and thrown to one side of the track, an arm was cut off and thrown to the other side and his body was dragged about 100 feet. McKenle was a recent arrival from the East, and but little is known of him. He was about 45 years old.

JAPAN TO ENLARGE NAVY

Will Build Huge Battleship, Two Smaller Ones and Cruiser.

VICTORIA, Nov. 5.—A battleship of the super-dreadnought class, with a speed of over 21 knots and armament including 12-12-inch guns; two battleship cruisers of 18,500 tons, with speed of 25 knots and armament of ten 12-inch guns; and a smaller cruiser, dispatch-boat and a few torpedo-boat destroyers, have been ordered built, to be ready to be added to the Japanese navy in 1914, according to advices brought by the steamer Suez today.

The super-dreadnought and big armored cruisers will be laid down as soon as the Suez and Karachi, now under construction, are completed. Thirteen vessels, including four battleships, six cruisers and three large destroyers, are now under construction.

DRUNKEN NEGRO IS SHOT

Saloon Man Uses Gun When Assaulted With Ax.

LEAVENWORTH, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Henry Miller, a negro, who was shot here last night by J. G. Fritz, a saloonkeeper of this city, is in a serious condition and the doctors say that he cannot live.

Miller had been put out of the saloon by friends. Later he returned with an ax. Trouble followed, and as the negro, Fritz shot him in the back with a revolver.

Saloon sympathizers fear that this trouble will add to the increasing sentiment in favor of a dry town in this city.

Cowhitz Gives McCreddie Big Vote.

KALAMA, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Official returns from Cowhitz County show the following vote: McCreddie, Rep., 618; Lister, Dem., 174; Herman, Soc., 46; Harlan, Ind., 8; Carlson, Soc-Labor, 3; Rockhill, Pro., 32.

REGINA BOYS A BEND

Oregon Trunk Makes Purchase for Right of Way.

RAILWAY HEADING SOUTH

Hill Line Now Building Into Central Oregon Is Expected to Touch Eastern Part of Bend and Reach Redmond.

BEND, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—The Oregon Trunk has made its first purchase of right of way in the immediate vicinity of Bend, it being, indeed, the first expenditure for land made south of Madras, so far as is known. The fact that after several months of surveying, the Hill road has at last settled upon its final route with sufficient certainty to justify this purchase of right of way, is regarded with rejoicing by the citizens of the country involved.

The initial purchase of land was made from Fred Hannel, a rancher near Bend. The railroad bought from him a 100-foot strip extending through his 100-acre homestead, some two miles south of town. The purchase apparently indicating the probable intention to continue the road beyond Bend at the outlet.

The survey for which the land purchase was made through Hannel's property passes practically through Bend, cutting across the eastern outlying portion of the town about half-way between the Deschutes and the neighboring hills, Pilot Butte, which separates the timber from the desert irrigated lands. From Bend northward the survey extends in a more or less line to Redmond, and it is understood that a number of right-of-way purchases have been made in the irrigated country intervening between the two towns.

GAME WARDEN PAYS FINE

Confesses to Violation to Beat Out His Informant.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Falling to convict Richard Zahn of running deer with hounds, Deputy Game Warden Richard Brumfield, anticipating a retaliatory complaint, drove from Corvallis to Philomath last night, pleaded guilty to hunting without a license, and was fined \$25 by Justice Wright.

Brumfield served 100 days in jail last winter on conviction of killing deer out of season, and although he was not convicted of selling liquor in this city, but was appointed Deputy Game Warden last July and retained over the protest of an outraged public. Brumfield made an aggressive warden, secured the conviction of a number of deer and pheasant hunters and had Richard Zahn of Alsea, before Justice Lane in this city yesterday. The jury failed to convict Zahn. The latter, knowing of Deputy Brumfield's violation, filed a complaint, but the warden delayed and the warden hastened to Philomath to plead guilty that he might beat Zahn out of getting that portion of the fine which always goes to the State Game Warden. Stevenson, in this city yesterday, is said to have requested Brumfield's resignation in case he was guilty, as alleged in Zahn's complaint.

HORSE DROPS OVER BANK

Driver Forced to Let Him Fall to Get Him Back on Road.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—While C. Belden, of Hobson, a few miles out in the country, was returning from a fishing expedition yesterday one of the horses was driving fell over an embankment, and after dropping 20 feet, escaped without injury.

Belden was driving along the road when he was compelled to turn out for a team to pass on a steep grade. The hind feet of the horse on the outside slipped over the edge of the grade, and the animal hung in the air, being held by the harness and his front feet. Unable to pull the animal back on the grade, Belden cut the harness and let him drop to the bottom of the gulch. Belden looked over the bank and was surprised to see the horse get up. He went down the grade and by going a long way around, succeeded in getting the horse back to the wagon. He patched the traces, and continued his journey homeward.

WOULD OUST NEGRO OWNER

Seattle Realty Firm Begins Court Action to Eject.

SEATTLE, Nov. 5.—Action was brought today by an improvement company which plisted a high-class residence addition to Seattle, to set aside a transfer of a lot in the addition to S. H. Stone because he is a negro.

The lot was sold on contract to a white woman, who transferred it, with the consent of the company, to Stone, whose color was not known to the company. Counsel for the company stated that it sought to dispossess the negro because his presence was objectionable to white owners of lots in the neighborhood. Stone's counsel, also a negro, cited the Constitution of the United States.

BRIBE-GIVER JUMPS BAIL

Man Who Offered Money to Eugene Police Leaves \$800 Behind.

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Robert E. Denton, charged by the grand jury with bribery, and who furnished bonds to the amount of \$800 for his appearance at this term of the Circuit Court, is not to be seen, and his bail has been declared forfeited.

Denton some months ago conducted a blind pig in a cigar store in the E. J. Frazier building on Wilanette street near sixth. One day a state police officer, in the name of the chief of police with the request not to open it until later in the day. The envelope contained a \$5 bill. Later on the experient was repeated, with the explanation that Denton expected the police to give him a tip before making a raid on his place.

When the second raid was made Denton was arrested, but after his examination furnished cash bail of \$800.

BANK GETS BACK ITS COIN

Soldier Who Cashed Check of Father's Repays Vancouver Firm.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—After waiting several months the Citizens National Bank of Vancouver was reimbursed for a \$22.18 check, which



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LION CLOTHIERS

166-170 THIRD ST.

had been paid to W. C. Bessette, an Indian soldier, through Bessette's son, Bessette, who was a soldier in the First Infantry and had acquired a sum of money to his father, W. C. Bessette, Sr., in Ashland, Wis. The check was sent from Washington, D. C. to Bessette in this city to endorse in favor of his father.

Bessette received the check, went to the bank, endorsed it, and drew the money, which he loaned out to his friends in the Army at interest. He went into banking for himself on a small scale. When it was learned that the money should have gone to the father, and the police were looking into the matter, Bessette collected all the loans he could, and deserted from the Army. He was captured later on an Indian reservation and has since been court-martialed, but the sentence has been withheld.

GUN ACCIDENT IS FATAL

Man Wounded While Friend "Shows Off" Pistol Succumbs.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Albert Young, the young man who was accidentally shot by Charles Hughes, at Felida last evening, died early this morning. The body was removed to Portland, where interment will be made.

Young had been hired to work for the Lake River Boom Company and had just arrived at the company boarding-house, when Charles Hughes, foreman for the company, and a chum of Young's, began to show him how his revolver worked. The chamber was taken out and the gun handed to Young, who attempted to snap the trigger, but he could not do it. Hughes took the gun in his hand and pulled the trigger, and was horrified when he heard the explosion of a shell and saw his friend Young fall to his feet, clutching his neck. A shell had been left in the chamber and this was fatal to Young.

COVE TO BEGIN BOOSTING

Fruit Growers Organize Club to Advertise Country.

LA GRANDE, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—A dispatch from Cove this afternoon says that under the inspiration of Robert Wilbycomb, of the experimental farm at Union, where he has been looking after the interests of the Union County exhibit at the National Apple Show, a permanent booster club was formed and has as its charter members all of the influential fruit growers of the community.

Scientific care of orchards and up-to-date methods of packing are to be the watchwords of the fruit growers.

Many Bequests Made.

ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—The will of the late Mrs. Jan Welch, who died at her residence here on last Sunday morning, was filed for probate this afternoon. The will was executed on October 11 of this year and by the deceased makes a number of bequests as follows: Five hundred dollars to the First Methodist Church of this city; \$1000 to the Christian Home, an orphan asylum, in Council Bluffs, Ia.; a residence in Tacoma and \$500 to her niece, Lillian Hulst Bagley; \$2000 to her brother, Dr. William Welch, of Silverton, Ia.; \$500 each to her nephews, Dr. John C. Welch, and her two grand nieces, Margaret and Mary Welch, of Portland; and \$200 each to the nephews of her late husband, Dr. Albert and Dr. August M. Kinsey, of this city; and Albert A. Smith, of Seaview, Wash. The balance of the estate is left to Dr. William Welch, of Silverton, her brother.

Wallowa to Have Hospital.

WALLOWA, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—The formation of a stock company for the purpose of building a \$5000 hospital in this city was definitely arranged at a big mass meeting held last night under the auspices of the Booster Club. Drs. Gregory and Gregory, who have conducted a private hospital here for the past year, presented a proposition to the meeting to take charge of such a hospital and equip it complete if the building were provided. A subscription paper was opened and \$3000 of the stock was subscribed in 30 minutes.

Gervais Depot Burglarized.

GERVAIS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—When the second of the express packages and opened the safe, but so far as can be learned, nothing was taken. The agent does not leave any valuables in the safe. Entrance was effected by breaking windows.

Highway for Royal Gorge.

CANON CITY, Colo., Nov. 5.—Within a few months, a public highway to the top of the famous Royal Gorge will have been built, and some of the most rugged and magnificent scenery in Colorado will be easily accessible. The County Com-

OH YOU MEDBURY

Pronounced by Alex McPherson as the best tract of fruit land that he has examined and reported on in twenty years' experience as an expert horticulturist and irrigation expert.

On the Main Line of the Oregon Short Line

In a sheltered valley, protected from winds and storms—no frost. Water rights, \$65 per acre; ten years in which to make payment. Guaranteed maximum maintenance of 85 cents per acre. Well water for domestic purposes any place on the tract. Water company under bond to complete system. Settlers' rights protected by State Land Board. Five-eighths of an inch of water for every acre.

CAREY ACT OPENING November 16, at Medbury

Ten thousand acres of Carey-act lands, part of which will be opened for public drawing, and the balance of which are preference right lands, and may be selected now and filed upon at the opening.

Deeded Lands in Acreage Tracts

The deeded land adjoining Medbury Townsite has been divided into small acreage tracts and

Every Tract Costs \$1050

No matter whether large or small, the tracts are all one price; \$210 is required to be paid at the time of purchase, and the balance is divided into four equal payments, due in one, two, three and four years; out of the first payment the company makes the first payment on the water, so

\$210 is All the Payment Required the First Year

Lots in Medbury Townsite will be sold on opening day. Medbury is on the main line of the Oregon Short Line, and is surrounded by a larger area of land now irrigated and to be irrigated than any town in Idaho.

Excursion Rates From All Directions

Tickets will be sold from all points on the O. S. L. and O. R. & N. R. R. at the rate of 2 cents per mile each way. For further information regarding rates, address D. E. Burley, General Passenger Agent O. S. L., Salt Lake, Utah.

Don't Fail to Register

To participate in the drawing it is necessary to register before the opening day. Registration books will be opened at Medbury November 11th.

Accommodations for All Who Come

The company has arranged to accommodate all who attend the opening. Rigs will be furnished to examine the lands.

For Further Information, Address

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missioners last night adopted a resolution authorizing the construction of the highway.

Coos Bay Druggist Dies.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Word was received here today that John Preuss, of Marshfield, died at San Francisco, where he went to receive medical treatment. Mr. Preuss owned a drugstore here and was one of the pioneer business men of Coos Bay.

Japs to Be Deported.

SEATTLE, Nov. 5.—The steamer Olympian arrived from Valdez, Alaska, today with 15 Japanese seal poachers captured by revenue cutters in Bering Sea, and who will be deported to Japan.

Aged Yaocot Resident Dies.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Christy, aged 72,

Coos Bay Commission Legal.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—C. R. Peck, attorney for the Port of

Coos Bay, has returned from Portland and announced that the Attorney-General has upheld the contention of the Port that the members were legally appointed. The question arose when there was some talk of a suit being started to prevent further action by the Commission.

Accused Man Stays in Jail.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Robert Watson, a young man of Raymond, is in the County Jail here, charged with attacking a 16-year-old girl, named Miller. Miss Miller's home is at Hood River, Or. She arrived here Wednesday, and by chance met Watson, whom she had met at Raymond on a visit there some time ago.

Gladstone Is New Precinct.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Gladstone was today made a separate voting district, being divided from Abernathy.

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