PRICES RESPOND TO CORNER IN HAY

Ellensburg Dealer Has From 10,000 to 18,000 Tons Under His Control.

STRIKE MAY SPOIL COUP

Inability to Get Cars to Deliver Product and Importations From California Will Seriously Cripple Dealer in Feed.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—What is pronounced by prominent hay men as the biggest timothy hay corner in the history of the Northwest is held by Henry Kleinberg, of Ellensburg. Mr. Kleinberg is said to hold more than 10,000 tons of Kittitas Valley hay, stored in his own and private barns and warehouses in the valley. A short crop in Montana and elsewhere has been instrumental in aiding in this gigantic corner.

Others estimate Mr. Kleinberg's holdings in Ellensburg at 18,000 tons. The shortage of hay in Seattle is pronounced acute. Already hundreds of tons have been shipped into the Puget Sound metropolis by boat from San Francisco to break the corner. The price of hay has now gone to $22 per ton f. o. b. Ellensburg, and unless Mr. Kleinberg lets loose many say it will go much higher.

Seattle Men in Pool.

It is generally reported that Galbraith, Bacon & Co., of Seattle, are pooled with Mr. Kleinberg in this corner. Against this combination are pooled all the hay men of the entire Northwest, including the biggest houses in Seattle, Portland, Spokane and Tacoma. The fight has been going on quietly for months, but every party has had its hand concealed until today. By pooling their interests, the opposition thought they had the corner broken a few weeks ago, but the burning of the Stevens warehouse in Tacoma with 2000 tons of hay shortened the stock of hay on hand to such an extent that the corner was held.

The opposition forces are now understood to be relying on a continuation of the railway strike to aid them in breaking the corner. Mr. Kleinberg's hay is all stored in Kittitas Valley warehouses and a continuation of the strike would make it practically impossible to make any early deliveries.

Strike May Spoil Coup.

That he has such deliveries to make and that the strike will continue are probabilities on which the other hay men are said to be basing their confidence. They say that if the strike continues and more hay continues to be shipped from California there will be no market for such a vast quantity of hay as is stored here.

NO CORNER KNOWN OF HERE

Portland Hay Dealers Have Not Heard of North Yakima Deal.

Portland hay dealers say they have no knowledge of any hay corner in the Yakima country. The high prices in the Sound cities they attribute to the shortage of supplies, due to the switchmen's strike.

"I have not heard of any hay corner at Ellensburg," said William Albers, of the Albers Bros. Milling Company, which has warehouses at Seattle and Tacoma, "and do not know of any pool formed by dealers to break the corner, if it exists. The Yakima Valley is a great hay-producing country and there is undoubtedly much hay stored there, but shipments to Puget Sound markets were prevented for some time by the strike. To provide for their regular needs, the Seattle dealers brought up considerable supplies of hay by boat from California. Even Portland has received hay from the South, a lot of alfalfa being brought up by the Nome City recently. The movement of California hay to this city was over-ridden the high prices prevailing here and the high prices were caused by the strong demand and not by any corner. Our Seattle office advises us that the movement of hay from the interior has now been resumed and prices in that market are less firm."

POTATO CROP DAMAGED

Thaw Imminent After Continuous Storms at Hood River.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The weather today has moderated and a heavy thaw seems imminent. The town was alive with vehicles and ranchers who came in to do shopping after having been housebound nearly a week by continuous storms.

It is stated that considerable loss to potatoes which had been left in the ground is expected. Large quantities are reported frozen and others under two feet of snow are damaged.

SALOONMEN SENT TO JAIL

Fines Added to Imprisonment by Polk County Court.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—W. W. Chappell, G. L. McMurphy, George Hodge and Thomas Edgar, saloon men of Falls City, who were indicted for selling intoxicating liquor in violation of the local-option law, were convicted yesterday and sentenced this afternoon.

Chappell gets 25 days in prison and $100 fine; McMurphy, 25 days and $100; Hodge, 25 days and $100; Edgar, 25 days and $100.

SNOWFALL TIES UP SHEEP

Nearly Score of Carloads of Mutton, Shipped From Yamhill, Affected.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Since the first snowfall several days ago there have been about 18 carloads of mutton sheep sent from this county to the packing-houses.

Coupled with the good prices for mutton, the possibility of having to buy feed has induced stockmen to sell. The stock was shipped from McMinnville, North Yamhill, Sheridan and Carlton.

OREGON PIONEER PASSES

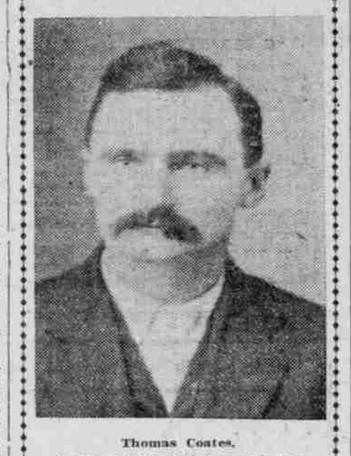
Mrs. J. S. Elliott Dead at Tillamook, Leaving Large Progeny.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. S. Elliott, wife of one of the pioneers of Oregon, died at her home in Tillamook County, December 6, and was buried in Bay View Cemetery.

Mrs. Elliott was born in Liverpool, England, February 24, 1824, the child of Quaker parents. These died when she was 12 years old, and shortly after that she came to this country with relatives and made her home in New York. She married J. S. Elliott in 1853 and came West across the plains to Portland in 1860, living in Portland till 1870, when they removed to Tillamook. Up to the time of her death she was active in the work of the Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by the following children: Margaret Jennings, William B., Tracy R. and Charles A. Elliott, residing in Tillamook; Mrs. Cora Ewing, of Portland, and Mrs. Annie Balbridge, of Prineville, Or. Mrs. Elliott left 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

TILLAMOOK ELECTS MAYOR TO SERVE SECOND TERM.



Thomas Coates.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Thomas Coates was elected to a second term as Mayor in the city election on Monday. He has previously served several terms as Deputy County Clerk and Deputy Sheriff, as well as filling the office of City Recorder several years. He has been connected with the Pacific Railway & Navigation Company in recent years, acting as its right of way man.

WOMAN HELD AS ROBBER

PROVINCIAL POLICE SIFTING HOLD-UP OF STAGE.

Even Keen-Eyed Indians Could Find No Tracks Leading Away From Scene.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Inspector McMullen, of the provincial police, who with Constable Fernie, of Kamloops, has been specially engaged investigating the Cariboo stage robbery of November 1, believes that in Clark, the brother of Mrs. Reeder, late of the 150-Mile House, who has been placed in jail at Kamloops, one of the two holdup men has been secured.

Clark, for convenience, is held on a perjury charge, as he swore he had not been away from the 158-Mile House for three days and the crown secured evidence that only a few hours after the robbery he had ordered and eaten a meal at L. J. Crosina's 153-Mile House. Mrs. Reeder, now of the Mountain House, has also been arrested, as the police believe her implicated in the robbery. The officers are also in possession of information incriminating other occupants of the Mountain House, and further arrests are expected almost any day.

The investigation proves the robbery to have been planned carefully, and if it had not been for chance clews at the scene of the holdup it would have been virtually impossible to make any progress toward a solution of the crime. No tracks could be discovered by the police or even their keen-eyed Indian assistants, from which it is evident that the robbers covered their feet with old sacks or something similar until they gained their waiting horses.

Superintendent Hussey now has under consideration a plan whereby a patrol constable always will accompany the mail stage between Ashcroft and Barkerville hereafter. The constable also will have charge of all prisoners brought down the road to serve time in the various jails.

EUGENE GROWS TO 12,000

School Children Number 2700, According to Enumeration.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—While the school enumeration of the City of Eugene has not been fully completed, yet sufficient figures are already available to estimate that the total will not be below 2700.

Figuring on a basis of four and one-half persons to every child of school age, Eugene therefore has a population of 12,150, though five to one is the usual basis, which would give a population of 13,500.

$6250 PAID FOR HIS RIB

Spokane & Inland Settles Suit Growing Out of Wreck.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Sustaining the fracture of three ribs in the train wreck which occurred near Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, last Summer, D. B. Jarman, a merchant of Weston and Athena, has received $6250 from the Spokane & Inland Railroad Company in settlement of his claim. Jarman's attorneys had put in a claim for $15,000, other injuries alleged being a skinned face and a shock to the nervous system.

Suit was threatened, but the case finally was settled out of court.

The wreck occurred during the rush to the land drawing and resulted in several deaths and many serious injuries.

"Drag" Will Be Used on Roads.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.) The Lewis County Commissiones have concluded to make a trial of the road drag on the country roads. They have purchased 21 of these at a cost of $30 each, and each of the 21 districts of the county will be supplied with one. The drag is modeled after the old Missouri drag, but is made of steel and is adjustable.

Only the finest Leaf is used in the manufacture of Piper Heidsieck champagne flavor chewing tobacco. It takes the best material to produce the best product.

STATE ASSESSMENT RAISED $95,879,873

Umatilla County Shows Largest Increase; Multnomah Close Second.

BASIS NEARER UNIFORM

Mortgage Notes Overlooked as Revenue Producers in Majority of Counties — "Cash Value" Varies in Instances.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The preliminary work of equalizing the assessments of the County Assessors is already under way by the State Board of Equalization. However, the task before the Board is a large one and the result of its deliberations probably will not be ready to give to the public until about January 1.

Among the difficult problems yet to be solved by the Board is what to do with the property of a county which has been obviously undervalued, but which the Assessor has testified was assessed at full cash value. The county whose Assessor admitted that he had assessed at 60, 70 or 80 per cent is not so hard to handle, as the Board in such cases has a definite basis on which to proceed. In counties where property evidently has been undervalued, however, the Board must determine just how much it is undervalued.

Assessments Not Uniform.

A striking illustration of the lack of uniformity in assessing is found in the official summaries of Clatsop and Columbia Counties. The Assessors from these counties testified that they had assessed at full cash value. These two counties, lying side by side, are considered to be about equal in wealth and resources, and yet the summary of Columbia County shows a total valuation of $14,951,595, while that of Clatsop is only $8,881,221. The Columbia County Assessor found $26,969 in money; the Assessor of Clatsop County found no money. According to the official figures in Columbia County there are notes and accounts of the value of $226,596; in Clatsop County, the summary shows only $800 in notes and accounts. In Columbia County, 187 miles of telegraph and telephone lines were assessed at $46,965; in Clatsop County, 341 miles were listed at $3447. The Columbia County man assessed 752 dogs at $2757, while the Clatsop County Assessor found no dogs.

These two counties, however, furnish only one instance of many showing there is need of reform in the methods of assessing now in vogue in this state, the members of the State Board declare.

Mortgage Notes Overlooked.

Surprise was occasioned by the testimony of many of the Assessors that they made no effort to assess mortgage notes, but that they did assess unsecured notes. Of the two classes of property, the secured credits are considered by tax experts to be preferable, and there is nothing in the Oregon laws exempting the mortgage notes from taxation. Notwithstanding this, a majority of the Assessors of the state made no effort this year to assess mortgage notes.

The law of 1907 goes into detail as to what constitutes actual cash value, but notwithstanding this, there appears to be a wide variation in the minds of the Assessors as to the meaning of the term.

An examination of the official summaries of the counties shows that there has been an increase of nearly $96,000,000 in the total valuation of the property of the state, and that there is a decided disposition on the part of most of the Assessors to operate on a more uniform basis than in past years.

Umatilla County shows the largest increase in valuation in the past year, and Multnomah County is a close second. The following table shows the 1908 and 1909 valuations by counties, with increases and decreases.

	1908.	1909.	Increase.
Baker	$ 9,662,330	$10,003,500	$ 341,170
Benton	5,113,480	7,474,593	2,361,113
Clackamas	22,850,635	22,087,132	*763,503
Clatsop	8,782,420	8,881,221	98,801
Columbia	15,514,488	14,951,595	*562,897
Coos	14,248,014	14,811,901	563,887
Crook	7,070,254	7,910,421	840,167
Curry	3,358,475	3,144,326	*214,147
Douglas	23,888,500	27,275,740	3,387,240
Gilliam	6,873,447	8,554,624	1,680,977
Grant	3,654,675	4,731,194	1,076,519
Harney	2,500,428	6,708,665	4,208,237
Hood River	2,870,293	7,459,680	3,589,387
Jackson	26,685,249	26,438,666	246,583
Josephine	8,212,762	8,771,170	558,408
Klamath	7,105,904	10,318,164	3,212,260
Lake	4,309,578	7,853,594	3,544,016
Lane	19,181,315	22,006,920	2,825,605
Lincoln	4,153,062	4,172,665	19,603
Linn	21,223,885	25,332,655	4,109,770
Malheur	4,212,205	6,422,700	*2,210,495
Marion	31,858,855	33,668,400	1,809,545
Morrow	7,732,299	11,086,891	3,354,592
Multnomah	361,187,717	253,389,882	15,202,145
Polk	10,075,000	13,883,620	3,808,620
Sherman	6,381,075	6,561,310	180,235
Tillamook	11,524,988	11,757,252	232,264
Umatilla	25,159,227	41,917,202	16,757,975
Union	7,109,835	16,854,733	9,744,898
Wallowa	7,226,295	8,676,770	1,450,475
Wasco	5,927,345	9,647,410	3,720,065
Washington	12,553,068	15,385,855	2,832,187
Wheeler	2,690,472	4,050,773	1,366,301
Yamhill	12,235,570	14,527,513	2,291,943
Total	598,133,963	694,013,836	

*Decrease.
Total net increase over 1908, $95,879,873.

ASSESSORS COME TO PORTLAND

Dairymen's Convention Visited After Adjournment at Salem.

Following the adjournment of their annual association meeting at Salem, 20 of Oregon's County Assessors came to Portland yesterday morning, and after visiting the convention of dairymen, which they attended in a body, the officers scattered through the various hotels of the city. The party comprised:

T. A. Rinehart, of Union County, indorsed by the Kentucky Klick as a candidate for Governor; Otto Peets, Sherman County; Jerry Fleetwood, Baker County; T. J. Thrift, Coos County; J. D. LaFollette, Crook County; William Tolman, Curry County; Otis Campbell, Gilliam County; C. W. Bonham, Grant County; J. J. Donegan, Harney County; J. P. Lucas, Hood River County; W. T. Grieve, Jackson County; Edward Pollock, Josephine County; A. J. Foster, Lake County; — Henrickson, Morrow County; A. M. Hare, Tillamook County; C. P. Strain, Umatilla County; B. F. Miller, Wallowa County; Joel Moents, Wasco County; Peter Hartman, Wheeler County; and Martin Miller, Yamhill County.

BRICKBATS HIS WEAPONS

Lawyer Guards Sidewalk, but City at Length Destroys It.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 10.—State Senator Turner Oliver, a prominent Democratic politician and an attorney, clashed with the Street Superintendent last night, using bricks as weapons to keep the official from tearing up the sidewalk in front of the Oliver property, which is said to be on a city street.

A policeman guarded the workmen finally, and the walk is now destroyed. A trespass suit against the city officials was filed, on the grounds that Oliver had appealed a recent court decision.

VANCOUVER WINS DEBATE

Defeats Castle Rock on Commission Government Question.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Vancouver won in the interscholastic debate held in the local high school assembly hall tonight between representatives of the Vancouver and Castle Rock High Schools. The question debated was: "Resolved, That Cities of the Northwest Containing 50,000 Inhabitants, or Over, Should Institute a Commission Form of Government, Modeled After the Plan of Des Moines, Provided, That the Negative Shall Propose No Other Form of Commission Government."

Miss Ruth Leaming, Newton McCoy and Elmer Lenord were the Castle Rock debaters, and Miss Mabel Hilstrom, Lester Wood and Miss Frances Stone spoke for Vancouver. Charles Hall, of this city, acted as presiding officer. The judges were: Professor F. W. Davis, of the Puget Sound University at Tacoma; N. F. Coffman, of Chehalis, and Professor Edwin Anders, of the Washington High School, of Portland.

LEBANON'S MAYOR-ELECT IS NATIVE OREGONIAN, 45 YEARS OLD.

A. M. Reeves, Elected City's Executive at Polls Monday.

LEBANON, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A. M. Reeves, who was elected Mayor of Lebanon, Monday, is a native of Oregon, having been born in Yamhill County, about 45 years ago. In 1888 he was graduated from Willamette University, and for several years taught school. Fifteen years ago he engaged in the general merchandise business at Halsey, in this county. Four years ago he came to Lebanon, and is now at the head of the Reeves-Clark department store, the largest store in this part of the county. He was elected on a citizens' ticket.

DEBTOR WANTS DAMAGES

Falsely Imprisoned, He Avers, for Nonpayment of Debt.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—For being imprisoned for an alleged debt from Saturday evening at 6 o'clock until Monday morning at 10 o'clock, J. W. Hill, a farmer near Vancouver, has sued H. Stumberg and W. C. Stumberg, who had him arrested, for $5000 damages and $25 costs of the Justice Court.

The firm of Stumberg & Son, grocers, obtained a judgment for $97.50 against Hill in the Justice Court. It was not paid. Hill sold his farm for $4000, and it was alleged by Stumberg & Son he was making preparations to leave the country. So they obtained the warrant.

RECORDS TO BE COMPARED

Hood River County Court Orders Tangle Straightened Out.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Hood River County Court adjourned today after being in session for several days. The Commissioners refuse to accept the county records without a complete comparison by the County Clerk. This will be started at once. The Commissioners also took up the matter of road building, which they expect to take up extensively in the Spring.

At the request of O. C. Dean, agent for the boat lines here, $250 was appropriated to be used in connection with a fund raised by subscription to construct a permanent road to the new boat landing recently established a quarter of a mile nearer town.

CARGO OF OREGONA SAFE

Men Now at Work Recovering Freight for Salem Merchants.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Oregon City Transportation Company has men at work trying to save some of the freight of the steamer Oregona, which went down Wednesday night 15 miles north of Salem, by colliding with a ledge of rock in the Willamette River.

The steamer was heavily laden with freight for Salem merchants, including 400 barrels of sugar for one merchant. It is reported that much of the cargo will be saved. The steamer recently was overhauled and refitted and was in first-class shape.

Oswego to Vote on Incorporation.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Whether the town of Oswego shall be incorporated will be decided tomorrow by the voters. Town officials will be elected tomorrow. The candidates are: Mayor, J. W. Thomas; aldermen (six to be elected), John Bickner, T. R. Clinefelter, John Conway, C. H. Elston, John Gardiner, Richard Hughes, H. W. Koehler, Charles Meagher, C. H. Nixon, George Schneller, George Thomas; Recorder, H. R. Davidson, D. B. Fox; Treasurer, H. Bethke, Matt Didzun; Marshal, Charles N. Haines and G. C. Worthington.

Blind Pig Costs Man $90.

MONTESANO, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Sheriff Ed Payette and Deputy Mathews went to Porter Wednesday and arrested James Carrigan for running a "blind pig." At his trial yesterday before Justice Pettijohn he pleaded guilty and was fined $15 and costs, amounting to $90 in all.

Milton Fruitgrowers Prosperous.

MILTON, Or., Dec. 10.—The second annual meeting of the Milton Fruitgrowers' Union was held yesterday, about 400 people being present. One hundred and six thousand dollars' worth of fruit was marketed by the union, during the year nearly 125 carloads being shipped out by the institution. Nearly all the fruitgrowers in this section of the country are members of the union, and the annual report showed that in addition to the market price received for the fruit the growers were rebated to the amount of $5000, and besides this were paid 10 per cent on the stock invested in the buildings.

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INDEPENDENT MAYOR WINS

Turner Defeats Staggs—Near-Beer License Loses by Two Votes.

WESTON, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At the town election 120 votes were polled. George W. Staggs, regular nominee for Mayor, was defeated by O. C. Turner, independent nominee, 62 to 58. P. T. Harbour, Frank Snider, George W. Probestel and J. M. Ashworth were elected Councilmen, T. S. McKinney, Recorder, and S. A. Barnes, Treasurer. An ordinance imposing an annual license of $250 for the sale of near-beer was defeated, 53 to 51. Taxpayers voted on the following measures: Bonding ordinance, authorizing the Council to borrow $25,000; carried, 28 to 12; eight-mill general tax, carried, 25 to 14; two-mill special tax for town lights, carried, 33 to 12.

WOODLAND DRYS WIN BY COUP

Naturalized Citizens Forced to Produce Papers, Several Can't Vote.

WOODLAND, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At the polls here three Councilmen, to serve two years, and a Treasurer, to serve one year, were elected, the "dry" ticket, on the official ballot as the Citizens' League, winning.

The successful candidates were W. R. Birt, R. W. Mills and E. E. Heald for Councilman and L. G. McConnell, Treasurer. The successful side accomplished its purpose by springing at the polls the requirement that all naturalized citizens are required by law to present their certificates to the election judges. Several voters, some of them being old citizens here, one a Councilman for two years, who was on the ticket for re-election, were barred from voting. They did not have their naturalization papers. There is some talk of a contest being made.

White Salmon Elects Three.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At the election here three Councilmen were chosen for a term of two years. The newly-elected officers are W. R. Wells, H. S. Hall and W. H. Dean.

CHARGE ILLEGAL PRACTICE

Fred C. Baker, of Tillamook, Arrested for Publishing Circular.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—As an echo of the local option campaign waged here vigorously, Fred C. Baker, editor of the Tillamook Headlight, has been arrested charged with illegal practice. The charge is brought under the law passed in 1908 through the referendum, and is the first instance known in the state of an alleged violation. The specific offense named is publishing and circulating a circular on the streets of Tillamook before the election in which he advocated the choice of the "law and order" candidates and pleaded for the abolition of the near-beer establishments.

Deputy District Attorney Cooper was out of the county where the case came up, and Justice Sappington appointed Attorney Talmage to prosecute. This appears to have raised another storm, for it is said by acting in this case Talmage is entitled to draw a fee for work for which the Deputy District Attorney is drawing a salary.

WANTED CHINAMAN FOUND

Immigration Inspector, After Long Search, Gets Man at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Immigration Inspector R. P. Bonham today arrested a Chinaman for deportation, Leong Chee, a former well-known resident of the Chinese district of this city, returned to his home in 1902 with a fraud certificate that he was a merchant and, upon his return, was deported by the customs authorities. Later it was learned that he was in the country and Inspector Bonham finally located him working in a laundry on Exchange street, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth.

Inspector Bonham will take him to Portland this evening to start him on his journey.

Receiver Asked for Montesano Firm.

MONTESANO, Wash., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Application was made yesterday in the Superior Court by the O. K. Logging Company for the appointment of a receiver for the Montesano Planing Mill Company, of this city.

Paddock Succeeds Cross.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Harry Paddock has been elected a director of the Gladstone school district to succeed H. E. Cross, who lately resigned. The taxpayers of the Gladstone school district last night made a special tax levy of 8 mills.

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PACT STILL DENIED

More Entrymen Repudiate Cunningham Deals.

TUNNEL NOT AUTHORIZED

Claimants Developing Contention That Only Evidence Against Them Is in Statements of Cunningham Himself.

SPOKANE, Dec. 10.—Whether the men who took coal claims in the Cunningham group in Alaska are to lose their claims by reason of the acts and statements of Clarence Cunningham, the man who acted as agent for the entrymen, will be the principal question to be determined by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, judging from the line of examination pursued and the arguments advanced today by the attorneys for the entrymen in the investigation now being conducted before Special Commissioner W. J. McGee.

The proceedings were enlivened by a tilt between Attorney Sheridan and the attorneys for the claimants, which brought out a vigorous protest from Sheridan against the rulings of Commissioner McGee.

The defendants' attorney protested that in putting questions to the witness, Davidson, Sheridan misstated the evidence given by the witness in his direct examination. His error was pointed out to him and Sheridan framed a new question. When the answer to this was given Sheridan said:

"That answer serves my purpose better than the other."

"It is unfair to inject that statement into this record," protested Attorney Hughes, for the claimants.

"You had no right to make that statement," said Commissioner McGee, addressing Sheridan.

"It is apparent that there is a wonderful capacity in the minds of the opposing counsel and—I say it with all deference—in the mind of this Commissioner to misinterpret my purpose and meaning in many things in the conduct of this investigation," replied Sheridan, with much warmth.

DEAFNESS CURED BY NEW DISCOVERY

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