

SEALED VERDICT IS RETURNED BY JURY

Wehrung's Suit Against Country Club for \$3000 Salary Closes.

DEAL INVALID, IS DEFENSE

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The suit of W. H. Wehrung against the Portland Country Club & Livestock Association was submitted to the jury yesterday afternoon. A sealed verdict was returned at 6:45 o'clock last night.

In instructing the jurors, Judge Cleland, in whose department the Circuit Court case was tried, told the jurors that they were to determine whether the contract to have been authorized by the board of directors and in violation of the various agreements to the effect that if the fair was unsuccessful Wehrung would not demand full pay.

The mayor said he drew the contract, notes of what was to be incorporated in it being furnished him by Wehrung. He said he did not remember having been at the meeting of promoters where a resolution employing Wehrung as manager was passed.

NEWSBOYS TAKE OWN RISK

Judge Bronaugh Charges Jury as to Blame for Streetcar Accident.

"Newsboys who jump on and off moving streetcars without signalling the motorman or conductor to stop are entitled to no protection from the streetcar company," said Judge Bronaugh yesterday afternoon in charging a jury.

This was a part of the instruction given by Circuit Judge Bronaugh to the jury which tried the damage suit of Walter Conroy, a newsboy, against the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company.

FRAUDULENT DEEDS ALLEGED

Real Estate Broker in Jail on Charge Made by Woman.

W. L. Crow, a real estate broker, with office at 238 Board of Trade building, is in the County Jail charged with fraudulently selling three lots in Bandon which did not belong to him.

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THIS AGE OF LUXURIES

It Is Considered in Relation to the Cost of Living.

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BROTHER SEEKS HER

Lad in Sawmill Town May Be Long-Lost Cecil Brittain of Walla Walla.

HOPES ARE AGAIN AROUSED

Strange Actions of Couple Arouse Suspicion, and Detectives Learn That Boy Resembles Lost Child in Many Respects.

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Another chapter in the celebrated Brittain kidnaping case, which has puzzled the authorities and the public in general in Eastern Washington and Oregon for the past four years, will be conducted this morning when Mrs. R. L. Brittain, the mother of the lost child, Cecil Brittain, will visit Walla Walla camp near Eugene to determine whether or not a lad in the possession of a strangely acting couple in that vicinity is her son.

Fortune Spent in Search.

This was the last ever seen of him, and the parents have spent a small fortune chasing down false clues and rumors from one end of the country to the other.

It is generally believed that the tariff party would have won in this election had the sole issue been between free trade and protection, but there were many other purely financial subjects that influenced the voter that the elections do not show the result.

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