

CASE NOT PROVED, INSTRUCTS COURT

Verdict of Acquittal in Gordon Case Is Signed by Jury Foreman at Spokane.

DEFENDANT MAY GO FREE

Dismissal of Remaining Charges Is Moved by Prosecuting Attorney and Court Takes Motion Under Advice Till Today.

SPokane, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—"Not guilty" verdict signed by Thomas Meagher as foreman of the jury that has for the last week been listening to the case against Merrit J. Gordon, former attorney for the Great Northern Railroad Company, accused of embezzlement. The verdict was returned this afternoon, pursuant to instructions from the court.

Instructions to the jury came after Attorney Frank Graves, for the defense, and Prosecuting Attorney Fred Pugh had argued on the motion of Graves for dismissal through the entire morning and part of the afternoon.

Immediately after Judge L. H. Kennan stated that the motion for dismissal had been granted, the jury was brought in, the instructions of the court were read and the verdict of not guilty prepared by the clerk of the court and signed by Meagher.

This was the end of the case involving the James Sparrow money, and immediately after the verdict was read Prosecuting Attorney Pugh asked that all the charges against Gordon be dismissed by the court, as the best case had been picked for the first trial, and, inasmuch as the state had failed in that, the attempt to convict on the other charges would be useless and a needless expense to the court.

This motion immediately brought forth protests from Attorney Graves and Sullivan, for Gordon, who declared that they would not be satisfied with a mere order of dismissal, for that would merely serve to allow the state to hold matters up for a short time and again start proceeding. The defense asked that all the cases be tried at once, a jury empaneled and the same instructions given the jury as in the case just disposed of, which would mean a finale to the matter for all time to come, and make the records as far as Gordon was concerned perfectly clean.

After a short argument Judge Kennan ordered a continuance of the case tomorrow morning, when he would rule on the matter. As soon as the verdict was announced, Judge M. J. Gordon said: "The case is without precedent or parallel in American jurisprudence. Begun without any complaining witness, it has dragged for 14 months without even a preliminary hearing. A portion of the public press has treated the case with merciless brutality and everything imaginable could invent or creditably swallow has been served to the public as gospel truth.

"In my 50 years of life I have committed no more folly, have been guilty of many indiscretions, but I haven't stolen any money.

A large number of special courses have been added to the curriculum and several prominent school men from this state and educators from the East will join the instructorial staff.

Special stress will be put upon the courses in industrial pedagogy and school methods, which are being offered for the first time. This work has been forced upon the institution by the unprecedented demand for teachers equipped to teach industrial work. The bulletin also announces courses in school supervision, primary methods, grammar school methods, high school methods, all branches of agriculture, domestic science and art, economics, English composition and literature, entomology, history and political science, mathematics, mechanical drawing, physical geography, physics, physiology, surveying, stenography and typewriting.

The course in school supervision and school methods will be given between June 20 and July 1 by Superintendent Frank Riegler of Portland, Superintendent J. A. Churchill of Baker City, Catherine Montgomery, supervisor of primary grades in the Washington State Normal School training department, Superintendent A. C. Strang of The Dalles, Superintendent U. G. Smith of Medford and others.

Special instruction will be given for the preparation of candidates for teachers' certificates in county and state examinations. No entrance examinations or other educational tests will be required, except that no person will be registered who is under 16 years of age.

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COMMISSION SUES TO COLLECT FINE

State Railroad Board Imposes Penalty for Railroad's Alleged Disobedience.

DEPOT AT LYONS IS ISSUE

Corvallis & Eastern Ordered to Build Station and Install Man to Receive Freight, but This Not Done, Is Contention.

ALBANY, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—The first attempt ever made by the State Railroad Commission of Oregon to collect the penalty prescribed for the failure of a railroad company to comply with one of its orders is involved in the case of the State of Oregon vs. the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Company, the trial of which began in the Circuit Court here today.

The state is suing to collect \$10,000 from the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Company because it failed to obey an order of the Railroad Commission to build a depot at Lyons, a station 30 miles east of Albany. This is the penalty provided by section 52 of chapter 53 of the general laws of Oregon for 1907, when a railroad company does not comply with an order of the Commission.

The order which it is asserted the company violated was to erect a depot building at Lyons containing a waiting-room for passengers and a room for the reception and storing of freight. The former room was to contain not less than 150 square feet of floor space and the latter room not less than 250 square feet of floor space.

The company will also allege, it is learned, that the order was unjust because of the small traffic and from Lyons. Residents of that town, however, there, both because of the business of that town and also because it is the shipping point for Meham, a Marion County town across the North Santiam from Lyons.

This case was instituted here May 15, 1909. The company demurred to the complaint, but Judge George H. Burnett overruled the demurrer at the October term. The case will be heard by a jury before Judge Burnett.

In view of the fact this is the first time the Railroad Commission has undertaken to collect the \$10,000 penalty provided by law the case is of state-wide importance and is attracting considerable attention. The state will be represented by Attorney-General A. M. Crawford, Assistant Attorney-General L. H. Van Hook, District Attorney John H. McNulty and W. P. Lord, Jr., all of Salem and Deputy District Attorney Gale S. Hill, of Albany. J. K. Weatherford, who is the chief counsel for the railroad company.

The result of the deal will be to place the fruit industry of Lane County under one head and management, which, up to this time, has been under two. At the time the deal was made the Lane County Fruit-Growers' Association increased its capitalization from \$5000 to \$25,000. Of this latter amount two-thirds of the stock already paid.

The Home Furnished Complete

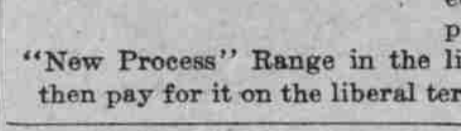
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\$5.75 Bed, in white enamel, at.....\$3.50
\$14.00 Bed, in white enamel, plain design, at.....\$8.25
\$16.00 Bed, in white enamel and gold, brass trimmings, at.....\$9.65
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\$7.25 Rocker, also in quarter-sawn and polished golden oak.....\$4.25
\$8.50 solid oak Rocker with high back, at.....\$5.35
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\$10.50 solid oak Rocker, in Colonial design, at.....\$6.25
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HALLEY'S COMET FOUND

BODY SHINES 13 DEGREES FROM SUN TO THE EAST.

ROVER SETS 40 MINUTES AFTER MIDNIGHT, WHICH IT APPROACHES ONE DEGREE A DAY.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 14.—(To the Editor.)—The following data concerning the position of Halley's comet may be of interest to those who are trying to pick up the comet just now.

It's ephemeris for March 14 is given as R. A. 23 minutes 36 seconds, declination 8 degrees 49 seconds N. This locates it as 6 degrees east from the equinox and 8 degrees north of the equator. As the sun on the same date is 7 degrees west from the equinox, the comet is 13 degrees distant from the sun toward the east.

It will be almost exactly that distance above the horizon when the sun sets on March 14, and about 7 degrees north of the west point of the horizon. The comet will set about 40 minutes after midnight.

Its approach toward the sun from day to day—chiefly due to the eastward motion of the sun—is about 1 degree a day. On March 20 the two bodies will be together, and the comet will pass by the sun on the farther side, coming out from behind it to appear the next day west from the sun, and hence rising before it in the east. After an interval of 10 days or so—about April 5—it should be sufficiently bright to appear conspicuous in the morning sky.

W. N. FERRIN.

BOXCARS FORM STATION

It is understood the company will maintain that it has complied with the Commission's order, but residents of Lyons who are to testify on behalf of the state assert that there is no station there except two old boxcars put together and mounted on a platform and that an agent has never been installed.

WIFE'S LIFE WORTH \$7500

SALEM, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—The Salem Water Company was made defendant today in an action for \$7500 damages instituted by James E. Dorrance.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the G. A. R. and friends for their kindness to us in the loss of our uncle, O. G. Shurtleff.

SHIP IS BALKY

After Almost Dumping Hamilton in Pond It Won't Fly.

ONE GOOD FLIGHT MADE

Seattle Thousands Cheer Loudly, Then Wait Two Hours to See Aeroplane Refuse to Rise After Much Tinkering.

SEATTLE, March 14.—Charles K. Hamilton, sore and stiff as a result of his mishap Saturday afternoon, when his Curtiss biplane turned turtle and threw him into a deep pond, made two short flights at the Meadows this afternoon.

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CLARKE TO BE EXONERATED

Investigators Will Find Oil Inspector Free From Blame.

STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, March 14.—(Special.)—That State Oil Inspector F. A. Clarke will be exonerated from all blame in the case of the charges preferred against him by E. H. Thomas, is definitely stated by Senator P. L. Allen, chairman of the state legislative investigating committee, which recently completed its investigation of Mr. Clarke's office.

SUMMER SCHOOL PLANNED

Agricultural College Issues Bulletin of Courses Arranged.

LANE FRUIT MEN BUY

CANNERY PURCHASED FOR BENEFIT EUGENE SECTION.

Vinegar Factory Will Be Established Soon—Association's Business May Be \$125,000.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Corvallis, March 14.—(Special.)—The Oregon Agricultural College has issued a bulletin announcing the session of its 1910 Summer school, to be held in Corvallis June 29 to August 5. This is a preliminary announcement, intended primarily for teachers, and will be followed by a special circular giving more complete information.

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