KERSH TRIAL ON; TASK WEIGHTY ONE

Jurymen Must Pass on Webb's Guilt Again in Deciding Woman's Case.

MANY VENIREMEN EXCUSED

Feeling Among Men That They Would Find Difficulty in Declaring Woman Guilty of Murder Cause for Prejudice.

WEBB TO BE SENTENCED THIS MORNING.

Jesse P. Webb will be sentenced to the gallows by Circuit Judge Morrow at 9:30 o'clock this morning. It is probable his attorneys will interpose motion for a new trial, and for time

The jury which is to try Carrie Kersh for complicity in the murder of William A. Johnson will not only be compelled to find evidence of Mrs. Kersh's guilt before conviction, but in doing so will be compelled to pass again on the guilt or innocence of Jesse P. Webb, convicted last Friday. This is because the two cases are so plosely interwoven.

In examining prospective jurors yes terday Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald, who appears for the state, explained this point to them.

Punel Questioned Closely.

"It will first be necessary for you to determine the guilt or innocence of J. P. Webb," said Attorney Fitzgerald to C. Spaner, one of the jurors examined, "and then to decide whether this defendant, Carrie Kersh, sided and abetted him in any way. "If you found him guilty, and found she aided and abetted him, could you

find her equally guilty, even though she did not actually strike the fatal blow?" asked the Presecuting Attorney. Spaner replied that he could.

"De you think a woman who is a defendant should have a different trial from a man?" asked the prosecutor.

"No."

"Do you think the state should be required to produce stronger evidence in trying a woman than a man? Do you think you could prevent this defendant's sex from influencing your werdict?"

So the prosecutor went over the entire ground with his questioning.

Juror's Mind Like Sponge. Attorneys Seneca Fouts and John C. McCue, representing Mrs. Kersh, were equally anxious that the juror should not be prejudiced in the state's favor before the trial began. "A jurer's mind is supposed to be like a sponge would be before you put it in the water," was told one of the jury-

When court adjourned at 5 o'clock last night ten veniremen had been exsary for Presiding Judge Cleland to order more names drawn from the panel to make up the Jury. There was a full jury box last night, but neither the state nor the defense had exercised and of the panel of the defense had exercised and of the parameters of the parameters. ed any of its peremptory challenges. Last week 35 citizens were subpen-sed to do jury duty, the names being frawn from the regular panel. These were in addition to the 120 names grawn each month.

One Too Sympathetic.

me of those excused for cause yesterday said they would not convict a person on circumstantial evidence, and others said they would demand stronger evidence to convict a woman than they would to convict a man. George P. Alexander said he did not think he would make a good juror be-cause he said he is too sympathetic. He did not say which side he would

B. H. Bodley made a statement to the effect that he would not take the law as laid down by the court, but would use his own judgment as to whether a person was guilty. He was later called for jury duty in Judge Ganten-bein's department, and when he made practically the same statement there, was excused for the term. William G. Wharton was excused by

mutual consent because his wife is ill.
Dr. W. Claude Adams, a dentist, was
excused because he said he has busibess engagements ahead which he
could not postpone.
Others excused were: E. C. T. Stevens, T. S. Schutz, Miles Snider, George
J. Riem, William G. Webber and Guy
Hamaker.
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Those now sitting in the jury box, but upon whom peremptory challenges may be made, are: Henry Peterson, of Peterson & Peterson, 500 Franklin street; George W. Tucker, brakeman S. P. Company, 4659 North Twenty-second street; J. A. Amero, foreman, 716 Montana avenue; H. P. Nelson, laborer, 67 North Thirteenth street C. Spaner, 172 North Eighteenth street, bookkeeper for Portland Furniture Company; E. North Eighteenth street, bookkeeper for Portland Furniture Company; E. Turney, musician, 185 East Twelfth street. Those in the jury box not yet examined are: F. Beier, real estate, 441 Prescott street; J. Frank Lee, publisher, 574 East Seventh street; Sam Anderson, contractor, 114 East Thirty-fourth street; William Neubauer, salesman, 394 Clifton street; L. M. Davis, dentist, 488 Commercial street; Herbert Holman, 757 Overton. Holman, 787 Overton.

BRIBERY CASE PROGRESS SLOW

Accused Man Questioned as to Bar Association Testimony.

The trial of Howard A. Guilford for alleged bribery of H. M. Barton, a juror in the W. Cooper Morris case, dragged slowly along yesterday afternoon before the jury in Judge Kavanaugh's depart-ment of the Circuit Court.

mant of the Circuit Court.

Most of the time was occupied by Depnty District Attorney Page in asking
Quilford on cross-examination whether
he made statements which appear in the
reporters' notes of his testimony before
the Bar Association investigating committee. These questions are being asked, It is said, to base impeachment charges

TRUST FUND UP TO COURT

Friendly Suit Begun to Settle George A. Price Estate.

A friendly suit to settle the trust setate of George A Price was filed in the Circuit Court yesterday by David M. Dunne. Besides George A. Price, the defendants are John H. Price, George J. Price and Mattle E. Butt. George A. Is the son of John B. Price,

and the other defendants are the children of George A. Price.

John B. Price died in Victoria, B. C., August 9, 1887. His will was filed eight days later, and John H. Mitchell, Henry Fielding and J. N. Dolph were appointed executors. The will provided that the estate be divided among the children, but a provision is in the codicil that two-twelfths of the estate should be soid and the money held in trust for the children of George A. Price, he being allowed only the income from the money. Should any of

Price, he being allowed only the income from the money. Should any of the executors die the children were to name their successors.

This they failed to do, it is alleged, when Executors Dolph and Falling died. Mitchell was then appointed administrator de bonis non, with will attached, and filed his final account December 28, 1996. But the trust fund was not distributed, and the principal amounts to \$29,928.79.

Minneapolis Pastor Says He Would to \$29,928.79.

ORAL AGREEMENT

Man Compelled to Pay \$1500 Note Indorsed With Proviso.

Circuit Judge Kavanaugh decided for the plaintiff yesterday the suit of the Lumbermen's National Bank against H. C. Campbell, for the recovery of \$1500 on

a promissory note. Campbell, according to the evidence, in-dorsed the note for Halliday Wither-spoon. But he said he had an agreement with the cashier whereby he was not to be held liable for its payment. Wither-spoon failing to pay, the bank demanded the money of Campbell, and when he did not pay, brought the suit.

Mrs. Armor Won't Accept Challenge.

On the ground that the prohibition forces in Oregon do not wish to be put in the position of appearing antago-nistic to organized labor the State Oregon Dry Campaign Committee in ses-sion yesterday decided that Mary Har-ris Armor will not accept the challenge of Tom J. Lewis to a debate on the question, "Resolved. That it is to the best interests of the working classes to vote in favor of prohibition." Mrs. Armor expresses herself as more than willing to meet an opponent who comes certified by the Greater Oregon Home Rele Association, however. Rule Association, however.

\$1000 Asked for Car Bump.

James Kelley, a teamster, brought suit in the Circuit Court yesterday against the Portland Rallway, Light & Power Company for the recovery of \$1000 damages, alleging a car collided with his wagon at Hawthorne avenue and East Twelfth streets. He says the car would not have struck him had it been going at an ordinary speed. He was thrown from the wagon and struck on his head, he declares.

APPLE MEETINGS NIGH

PORTLAND GROWERS' ASSOCIA-TION IS PLANNING.

Winter Lectures to Begin Next Saturday Evening-Noted Agricultural Experts Coming.

Plans for the resumption of activity of the Portland Apple Growers' Association are being made by the educational department of the Young Men's Christian Association. The first meet-ing of the organization, for the present year, will be held Saturday night, November 5, and weekly meetings will be

week to complete arrangements.
C. N. Wonacott, assistant general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is planning a novel feature to stimulate interest in the apple loctures. Mr. Won-acott will bring to Portland from his apple orchard at Hood River an elabo-rate display of fruit and install it in the Association lobby. He expects to have the display in place by the end

of the present week. Fred Neckerman, of Salem, Dead. SALEM, Or., Oct. 24 .- (Special.)-Fred Neckerman, who was at one time considered one of the wealthiest men in Salem, is dead here, at the age of 50 years. He was born in Iowa.

Dr. Riley Refers to Rev. W. A Wasson as "Renegade."

Rather Undertake Justification of Hell--Conditions in East Touched Upon.

Rev. W. A. Wesson, of Grace Episcopal Church, Riverhead, L. L. was denounce as a "renegate rector" at the White Temple last night by Dr. W. B. Riley, paster of the First Baptist Church of Minneapolis. Rev. Mr. Wasson opposes prohibition, while Dr. Riley is fighting for prohibition. The preacher from Minneapolis said last night in prohibition, while Dr. Riley is fighting for prohibition. The preacher from Minneapolis said last night, in part: "In speaking tonight on 'Home Rule and Ruined Homes' or 'A Renegade Rector and the Redemption of Oregon,' I want to express my regret that when once a man is honored with the title of 'reverend' it will stick to him or be retained and employed by him, long after he may have forsaken the office it was intended to suggest and dishonored the character it was intended to describe.

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"The Pacific Coast has been positively afflicted with one-time ministers who have sought to escape the ruin of a bad reputation by putting four or five ranges of mountains between them and the scenes of their shameful conduct. It is not long since my own church took the title of 'reverend' from a man who had been guilty of the grossest im-morality in Minneapolis, but who on your Coast attempted a get-rich-quick scheme by attaching 'reverend' to the name signed to the most lying documents that ever advertized wild-cat mining schemes. Judas Iscarlot, professing al-legiance to the Lord and halling him with a kiss, was no more his betrayer than is the man who will traffic on the holy title of a Christian minister while drinking, gambling, lying, and serving this letter and the devil for so much a night, garbed in it, if you can. heaven's livery.

Saloon Without Defense.

"The one preacher in any city who has least ministerial and moral character, is the one most popular with our saloon

"As Mrs. Armor remarked on Sunday there is no same defense of the saloon. I would rather undertake the justification of hell. It serves at least as a permanent prison-house for all moral an-archists, who can neither be saved nor archists, who can neither be saved nor reformed. The saloon has not even that saving quality! It makes moral anarchists, and looses them upon a defenseless public. I have traveled in almost every state in this Union. I know conditions in Maine, North Dakota, Tennessee and other prohibition states at first hand. I know of no law on any of their statute, books that is not violated. their statute books that is not violated at times. Murder laws do not prohibit all murders. Shall we abolish them then? I know of no law which, in proportion to its faithful execution, has brought such blessings, moral and commercial, as the law prohibiting the liquor the principal address of the evening, and traffic. Rum can ruin Oregon, and pro-

t hibition can redeem it. Liquor's Responsibility Greatest. "Describe for me any grief that has overtaken man to break his heart, dark-Last year the Apple-Growers' Association gatherings were popular. All of the meetings were open to the public, no fees being charged. The same plan will be followed this year and last died up the milk of human blanding. leading authorities on horticulture from all parts of the state will participate.

R. C. French educational director, is outlining the course with the co-operation of the faculty of Oregon Agricultural College, and expects soon to be ready to announce the list of speakers. He will make a trip to Corvallis this week to complete arrangements. but it has wrought, no grief so deep but it has dug a deeper one, no death so dismal but death of its victims has ex-

lower depths."

lower depths."

In her speech Sunday Mrs. Mary H.

Armor said ex-Mayor Rose of Milwaukee was in error when he said Hoke
Smith, of Georgia, was a liquor man, and
was recently nominated for Governor on
a campaign promise to repeal the probittion less. hibition law.

Statutory Charges Fall. Two not true bills were returned to

siding State Circuit Judge Cleland by the county grand jury yesterday after-toon. Both cleared the defendants of statutory offenses. One was for Yoshi-taro Fujii and Mrs. Ikuno Horita. The other was for Mrs. Marie Albuschies, wife of George Albuschies, and Henry

BLAST AGAINST NEGROES Writer Thinks Colored Race Should

VALE, Or., Oct. 22 .- (To the Editor.) -With reference to an editorial in The Oregonian of a recent issue on the "Anti-Negro Tract," The Oregonian is "away off."

Have No Say.

Senator Ingalls, of Kansas, said once Senator Ingalls, of Kansas, said once in the United States Senate that "the greatest mistake the Republican party had ever made was to have given the nigger the right of the ballot." The time will come when the North, which in the heat of passion was responsible for this crime, will lead in an effort to readjust this by amending the Constitution decreeing that the rights of citizenship in this republic shall be reserved only to the Caucasian race. served only to the Caucasian race.

Does The Oregonian approve of the ballot being conferred on the Indians.

Chinese, Japanese, Hindus, Mussulmen, Eskimos, Zulus, Fiji Islanders? If not, why on the nigger?

This theory that all men are equal is beautiful to read about, but doesn't is beautiful to read about, and supposed work in practice. Every race has a right to its pretentions and supposed superlority, but every kind of color will seek its own. The white race will live in perfect accord together, but will not mix with others, any more than oil will mix with water.

will mix with water. will mix with water.

The yellow races hold all other races in contempt, and frown down any attempt of commingling in the least with each other. They are right. We may not agree with their opinion as to their superiority over the white race, but we certainly agree with them in the princi-ple of preserving racial integrity. Would a newspaper editor marry his

daughter to a nigger? If not, then you'll admit that Mr. Nigger has no right to the same privileges as you have in the shaping of the laws and destinies of this great white republic.

I don't believe in slavery, and I believe in justice being meted out to all in the land, whether they be native born or aliens, or other races of men. But I claim America for Americans, and we must insist on a white man's gov-ernment, as well as on the preservation

of our racial integrity.

I hope The Oregonian will publish this letter and at the same time answer this letter and at the same time answer YENDIS YROTS.

LODGE FRIENDS GREETED

Banquet Follows Social Evening With Masonie Members.

With a glimpse of the social side of Masonry, the officers and members of Harmony Lodge No. 12, A. F. and A. M., last night entertained some 300 members of their families and invited friends at the second annual affair undertaken by

The evening scintillated with wit and wisdom from the speakers who partici-pated in the fixed programme and were introduced at the banquet which followed a social session of the lodge.

George Taxwell, Worshipful Master, presided at the formal meeting but was succeeded by Worshipful Brother Kunz as toastmaster.

Charles E. Wolverton, Grand Master, was unable to be in the city to deliver the related of the exprise and

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McGuire. Among the musical numbers rendered were a violin solo by Mrs. V. S. Freedees, piano duet, Misses Elaine and Eloise Clouse, and a baritone solo by Stuart

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