

MEAT TRUST HOLDS CHARGE HAS FAILED

Packers Surprise Prosecutor With Notice of Motion for Dismissal.

TIME LIMIT IS PLEADED

Failure to Make Out Case for Government in Opening Statement by Prosecutor is Alleged by Defendants.

women jurors who should have been drawn were not drawn.

After both attorneys in the case had asked that, in view of the charges made, the jury should be discharged, Judge Gay made the order, and sent the case back to Judge R. E. Albertson's department.

There are three women jurors in Judge Gay's department and when the clerk drew the names of 12 men jurors and no women, the court was urged by Chief Clerk Oscar Springer that word had been sent out by someone that there were to be no women on the jury.

"Nobody ever spoke to me about calling a woman on this jury or leaving them off," said Clerk Hill to the court.

"I took the women jurors names and put them in the bottom of the box, because I understood that it was an improper case for women to listen to. I don't know the plaintiff or defendant. No one ever spoke to me."

"I knew there could not be a thing wrong with Mr. Hill," said Judge Gay. "He has been in my court for three years and under my eyes, and he has not made a wobble."

LAWYER FOUND GUILTY

CALIFORNIA EXTORTS \$15,000 FROM POSTOFFICE THIEF.

Ex-Clerk, Pardoned by President, Witness Against His Attorney in Latter's Trial.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Fred H. Thompson, one of the best-known criminal lawyers in Southern California, was found guilty by a jury today of having accepted \$15,000 from Orlando Altorre, a clerk in the money order department of the Los Angeles post-office, knowing the money to have been stolen.

The jury was out less than an hour. Thompson will be sentenced by Judge Wellborn next Wednesday and was remanded into the custody of the United States Marshal until that time.

Altorre, who was convicted of stealing \$15,000 from the postoffice money order department, was sentenced to Leavenworth prison, but later was pardoned by President Taft and testified against Thompson.

Thompson had been on trial for more than a year, one jury being discharged because of the illness of one of their number. He was the attorney for Altorre when Altorre was tried for the theft of the money package and, according to Altorre's testimony, Thompson forced thousands of dollars from him by threats of throwing up his case and revealing the fact that he was guilty.

WOMAN BRANDED WITCH

NEIGHBOR SAYS SHE WAS FORCED INTO DEATH PLOT.

Witness in Trial of Mrs. Angelina Garramone Attributes Sorcery Powers to Accused Murderer.

GOLDEN, Colo., Dec. 20.—When the trial of Mrs. Angelina Garramone for the alleged murder of Mrs. Maria Laguardia resumed here today, Mrs. Consett Fergione, who has confessed to complicity in the alleged crime, declared that the defendant had threatened her and her daughter, Stella, to keep them silent on the subject.

"She said she had magnetic power and was a necromancer, and that if either of us breathed a word about it she would know instantly and be revenged upon us," related the witness, through an interpreter.

"It's the 'it's her' exclaimed Mrs. Garramone, in a loud whisper to her attorney.

Mrs. Fergione said that the defendant lured Mrs. Laguardia to a lonely gulch on the pretext that she knew where her alleged victim's husband was working in a mine. According to the testimony, she called necromancer then cut Mrs. Laguardia's throat and robbed the body. The witness admitted that she accepted half the booty.

HOOD RIVER PAPER SOLD

Bennett Brothers Acquire the News and Former Owners Retire.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—R. B. and L. E. Bennett, who recently sold the Ashland Tidings, have purchased the Hood River News, of this city. C. P. Sonnichsen and W. H. Walton, who have had charge of the News for the past three years, will retire from business.

R. B. Bennett, who will have charge of the editorial columns of the News, is a graduate of Yale, having been a member of the class of '96. He was a member of the news staff of the Portland Evening Telegram for a time. His brother will assume the management of the publication. He secured the newspaper training and a knowledge of the printer's craft in New York City. The new owners are, New Yorkers.

CONFESSED MAN SENT UP

Man Who Defrauds Oregon and Washington Men Pays Heavily.

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—W. W. Smith, who is alleged to have defrauded Oregon and Washington farmers out of more than \$10,000 by the operation of a loan office in Seattle that collected commissions in advance and never repaid loans, pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny today and was sentenced to one to 15 years in the State Penitentiary.

Smith, who is 63 years old, was arrested in Vancouver and returned to Seattle and jumped bail. Later he was arrested in Winnipeg and successfully resisted extradition. Finally he was arrested in Richmond, Va., and returned here for trial.

BUY A PLAYER.

\$275 Player Piano, used but guaranteed, from the library of Kohler & Chase, 375 Washington street.

CHANGES IN WIRING REQUIRED.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 20.—To comply with the terms of an ordinance passed by the City Council last night, the Pacific Power & Light Company will have to make sweeping changes in the construction of its lines here within the next 30 days. The new ruling follows closely the ordinance of Portland regulating overhead wiring.

THREE POSTAL BANKS TO OPEN.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 20.—Postal savings banks will be opened January 15 at Wallawa, Or., Prineville and Lynden, Wash., and Milner, Idaho.

One Fourth Reduction



Brass Reduced One-Fourth.

Pre-holiday offering of all our beautiful Art Brass, consisting of fern bowls, hanging baskets, jardiniere, umbrella stands, and smoking sets. All reduced One-Fourth.

Brass Fern Sets, \$1.29.

Hammered Brass Fern Bowl, including beautiful air fern and 8-in. round stand mirror. Special at \$1.29

Bronze Brass Ferns, \$2.65.

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Hammered Brass Ferns, 83c.

Handsome Fern Dish with handle; also hanging baskets with chains. Regular price \$1.75; special at 83c

Hanging Baskets, \$2.25

Karnak Brass Hanging Baskets are finest line we have ever seen. Regular \$3.00; special at \$2.25

\$4.50 Smoking Sets, \$2.69.

Beautiful brushed brass Smoking Sets of four pieces. Extra value at \$2.69

Leather Suggestions.

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Bill Folds \$1.50 to \$10.00
Cigar Cases \$1.50 to \$6.00
Cigarette Cases \$1.50 to \$6.00
Coin Purses \$1.50 to \$5.00
Collar Bags \$2.00 to \$6.00
Manicure Sets \$1.00 to \$20.00
Traveling Bags \$5.00 to \$35.00
Traveling Cases \$5.00 to \$35.00
Card Cases \$1.50 to \$5.00
Photo Frames \$1.00 to \$20.00
Writing Folios \$2.00 to \$25.00
Sewing Baskets \$5.00 to \$21.00
Jewel Boxes \$2.00 to \$25.00
All Leather Stamped in Gold, Free.

Xmas Gift Suggestions of Toilet Articles.

- Military Brushes, pair \$3.75 up
Hair Brushes \$1.75 up
Cloth Brushes \$1.75 up
Parisian Ivory Toilet Sets \$7.00 up
Paris Ivory Manicure Set \$2.75 up
Sterling Silver Toilet Sets \$23.00 up
Sterl. Silv. Manicure Sets \$12.00 up
German Silver Toilet Sets \$3.39 up
Quadruple Sil. Toilets Set \$4.95 up
Ebony Manicure Sets \$1.75 up

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on all Art Brass, China, Amphora Ware and Cut Glass. One Fourth Off all Sterling Silver Toilet Manicure Sets. Three days remain—Take advantage of these price offers.

All Holiday Sterling Silver Reduced One Fourth

Sterling Silver, 2 and 3-piece Toilet Sets, priced \$30.00 down to \$6.50, reduced One-Fourth
Sterling Silver Manicure and Toilet Sets, beautiful designs, \$50.00 down to \$3.00, reduced One-Fourth
Sterling Silver Military Brush Set, with comb, priced at \$12.00 and \$10.00, reduced One-Fourth
Sterling Silver Whisk Brooms, regular price at \$3.00 and \$2.00, now reduced One-Fourth

German Silver Toilet Sets, exceptional values, only one set to a customer at this price \$3.39

Pre-Holiday Offering of Handsome Cut Glass



The celebrated "Empire" line in many styles and shapes of Bowls, Nappies, Trays, Plates and Bottles. All reduced One-Fourth.

\$4.00 Creamers and Sugars, small size, sunburst pattern, at \$3.00
\$5.00 Large size, sunburst or star patterns, at only \$3.75
\$8.00 Creamers and Sugars, on pedestals, star pattern, now only \$6.00
\$3.50 Spoon Trays, star pattern, at only \$2.65
\$12.00 Salad Dish, with handles, newest designs, now at only \$9.00
\$4 Celery Tray, star pattern \$3.00
\$3.50 Perfume Bottles, at only \$2.65
\$4.50 Vinegar and Oil Bottles, star pattern, at only \$3.40
\$10.00 Sandwich Plate, Seneca pattern, at only \$7.50
\$12.00 Cut Glass Electric Reading Lamps, beautiful sunburst pattern, fringed shade, one-fourth off, now at only \$9.00
\$15.00 Cut Glass Reading Lamp, one-fourth off, now \$11.25
\$28.00 Cut Glass Reading Lamp, one-fourth off, now \$21.00

Extra Special

12 beautiful patterns of Toilet Sets, in quadruple silver plated ware. You cannot duplicate this special in Portland. Your choice, any set, only \$4.95

All Silver Shaving Stands Reduced One-Fourth.

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- \$ 9.00 Water Set, 7 pieces \$ 6.75
\$12.00 Water Set, 7 pieces \$ 9.00
\$13.00 Water Set, 7 pieces \$ 9.25
\$11.00 Water Set, 7 pieces \$ 7.95
\$15.00 Water Set, 7 pieces \$10.75
\$12.00 Liquor Set, 7 pieces \$ 9.00
\$10.75 Liquor Set, 7 pieces \$ 8.10
\$16.00 Liquor Set, 7 pieces \$12.00
\$17.50 Wine Set, 7 pieces \$13.15

Art China and Beautiful Amphora Ware



Many styles and designs to select from. Make most acceptable gifts. Arranged for quick shopping. Table No. 1—\$2.00 Values, at 39c
Table No. 2—\$3.50 Values, at 69c
Table No. 3—\$4.50 Values, at 98c
Table No. 4—\$5.50 Values \$1.09

FANCY STEINS.

Highly prized by lovers of beautiful Art Ware. New and original designs; many with mottoes and toasts in German. Prices range from 50c to \$7.50. All reduced One-Fourth.

Berry Bowls



- \$ 7.00 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 8 inch, at only \$4.95
\$10.00 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 9 inch, at only \$6.75
\$12.00 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 9 inch, at only \$8.50
\$ 6.50 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 9 inch, at only \$3.75
\$ 8.00 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 9 inch, at only \$5.75
\$ 9.00 Berry and Fruit Bowl, 9 inch, at only \$6.00

STOP-LOOK-LISTEN

- FOR HER: Chafing Dish, Coffee Percolator, Dresser Clock, Sterling Silver Manicure Set, Belt Pin, Sewing Basket, Jewel Box, Cross Glove Order.
FOR HIM: Safety Razor, Shaving Stand, Pocket Knife, Desk Clock, Cuff Links, Coin Purse, Wallet, Suit Case, Cross Glove Order.

Some Extra Specials

- \$18.00 Nickered Electric Chafing Dish, at only \$9.89
\$6.00 Copper Chafing Dish \$3.98
\$6.00 Hot Water Warmer Plate, at only \$4.89
\$2.00 Stencil Outfit (for decorating curtains and other fancy work \$1.48
\$13.75 Derby Silver Shaving Stand for Gillette Razor, at \$9.98
\$1.50 Hand Mirror, walnut or mahogany finish back, at \$0.98

Woodard, Clarke & Co.

ABSORBED, NOT A FAILURE

Correction of Statement Regarding Alameda Mining Company.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The statement in The Oregonian of last Monday, that the Alameda Mining Company failed in 1908 was not correct, said Secretary of State Olcott today.

"In that year the corporation was consolidated with the Mining Company, under the name of the Alameda Consolidated Mines Company, the stockholders of the Alameda Mining Company having voted to dissolve the company and to take stock in the new corporation, in lieu of their holdings in the old. Pursuant to this resolution the Alameda Mining Company was voluntarily dissolved on October 16, 1908. The Alameda Consolidated Mines Company is an active corporation and is in good standing, having paid all fees and rendered all reports required by law."

The statement that the Alameda Mines Company had not been in existence since 1908 was contained in an article issued from the office of Secretary of State Olcott. An extract from this article was included in The Oregonian item of which complaint is now made.

NEWBERG MAY GIVE RIGHT

At Meeting Today Franchise for Motor-Car Line to Be Settled.

NEWBERG, Or., Dec. 20.—At tomorrow night's meeting of the Council Colonel J. M. Eddy, right-of-way man of the Southern Pacific, will appear on behalf of his company and ask for a franchise for a motor-car line to leave the present track at Meridian street, running thence south to First and west on First to the intersection of the main track. It is proposed to have the cars run into the union station at Portland, with a train leaving here about 7 A. M., returning at noon, leave for Portland at 1 P. M. and arrive at Newberg at about 5 P. M. The first cars are to be operated by gasoline motor but electricity is to be substituted in a few months.

A canvass of leading property owners on First street indicates that the application for franchise will meet with favor. It is said the case the franchise is granted the line will be in operation early next month.

CLERK OF COURT GALLANT

Learning Nature of Case, He Leaves Women Off Jury.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The desire of Will H. Hill, minute clerk, to protect women jurors from what he understood was an objectionable case led to an investigation by Judge Wilson R. Gay today after it was intimated to the court that there had been tampering with the drawing of the jury and that the names of

WATER WALL HITS SHIP

STEAM SCHOONER WELL-NIGH SWAMPED IN CHANNEL.

Passengers and Crew of Fort Bragg Narrowly Escape Going Overboard in Sudden Wave.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—When passing out the north channel at 6 o'clock last night, the steam schooner Fort Bragg, bound for Eureka, shipped a huge sea which smashed her cabin, carried away the bulwarks, swept the hurricane deck clear of everything movable, wrecked her smokestack, flooded the engine and dining-rooms and moved all of the passengers aboard to declare that they would never put to sea again, although no one was injured.

While in the north channel, near the bar, a wall of water 40 feet high appeared out of the gloom and swept over the ship.

Captain Ahlstrom and First Mate John Carlson, who were on the bridge, were knocked down and carried the length of the structure. Humphrey Lawrence, a contractor, living at the Buena Vista Sanatorium, was smashed as he clung to the starboard bulwarks, where several members of the crew had narrow escapes from being washed overboard.

Although the water entered the engine-room, the fires were not put out, and the Fort Bragg beat around about the heads all night, limping to a berth at the seawall this morning. The vessel, which is practically new, having made only half a dozen trips, will be laid up two weeks for repairs.

Captain Ahlstrom was accompanied by his wife, who was not inclined to take the accident as philosophically as her husband.

"This is my first trip to sea in a year," she said, "and believe me, it will be my last. I thought every second that we were going down."

TACOMA MAN CALLED EAST

Superintendent Collicott Will Head Indianapolis Schools.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Jacob G. Collicott, superintendent of Tacoma schools, today received an offer of the superintendency of Indianapolis city school at \$2800 a year and has accepted. He tendered his resignation to the Tacoma board today and it was accepted.

Not long ago Collicott was in Indianapolis and since his return to Tacoma the Indianapolis board has been discussing candidates, the subject being given particularly careful investigation because the great Winona Technical Institute lately has fallen into the city's possession, adding an important problem to educational affairs there.

Mr. Collicott, who was born in Newport, Ind., 40 years ago. Last Summer he had the important task of superintending the work in education at the University of Oregon.

In Indianapolis he will succeed C. N. Kendall, who recently was appointed by Governor Wilson as Commissioner of Education for New Jersey. C. W. Geiger, principal of Tacoma High School probably will succeed Collicott here.

Ridgefield Band to Play.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The Ridgefield Cornet Band will give an entertainment in the high school assembly hall on New Year's night. A fine programme has been arranged. Although the band is only a little more than a year old, it equals any amateur band in the state.

Pianos Rented \$3 Monthly.

Kohler & Chase, 375 Washington st.

BUSINESS CALL DEATH

RUG MERCHANT SLAYS WIFE, LACE DEALER, THEN SELF.

Man Lures Estranged Spouse, Who Is Also Competitor, to Prospective Customer's House, to Kill.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Summoning his wife, Mrs. Sofia Geha, to the house of a customer whom neither had known before, Joseph Geha, a dealer in Oriental rugs and laces, shot her today and then committed suicide. Mrs. Geha died a short time later in the receiving hospital.

Geha and his wife had been separated. Mrs. Geha conducted a lace shop in the residence section of the city and this morning when Mrs. H. Linman went to Geha's store to buy some Christmas gifts, the slayer told her that while he did not have what she wanted, he knew where the articles could be procured.

He went out to Mrs. Linman's home later and asked her to call up his wife. When Mrs. Geha appeared, bringing a selection of laces, the man leaped to his feet, rushed to the door and fired three bullets into her head and body. As Mrs. Geha rolled down the steps he sent a bullet into his own brain and died on the porch.

Three or four days ago Geha sent two bottles of liquor to the home of his wife. This was not touched, and today, after the shooting, the police took the bottles to the city chemist for analysis.

Smith to Instruct Reserves.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 20.—Captain Clarence B. Smith, of the Coast Artillery Corps, has been ordered to report to the Adjutant-

RAILROAD MEN ARE GUESTS

Harriman Line Officials See Yaquina and Newport.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—A special train bearing railroad officials arrived in Yaquina yesterday. The officials were conveyed to Newport on a special ferry boat, in command of Captain Jacobson.

The party was composed of D. W. Campbell, general superintendent of the Southern Pacific; Robert Strahorn, vice-president of the O. W. R. & N. Division Engineer Burkholder, Southern Pacific; T. W. Younger, superintendent of motor power Southern Pa-

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IT MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG IT MAKES SICK WOMEN WELL.

No woman's appeal was ever misdirected or her confidence misplaced when she wrote for advice to the Women's Dispensary Medical Association, Dr. R. V. Pierce, President, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets induce mild natural bowel movement once a day.