

IS JURY'S VERDICT

Cashier of Defunct Philomath Bank Forged Note, Say Corvallis Twelve.

SENTENCE DUE ON TUESDAY

Though Facing Second Indictment Young Financier Maintains Innocence of Criminal Intent in Transactions in Business.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The jury tonight returned a verdict of guilty in the case of James Evans, cashier of the defunct Philomath Bank. He will be sentenced Tuesday.

Taking the stand on his own behalf, Evans said the \$400 note, asserted to be forged, was only a copy of the note taken up by the maker by assigning certain stock to the bank. He said the stock certificates to accompany the disbursement of the note, as bills receivable account had not been credited with its payment. He denied that he had any intention of defrauding or deceiving anyone by making the copy of the note.

A second indictment charging Evans with making false official reports of the bank's condition confronts him.

Evans listened quietly to the announcement of the verdict of the jury and seemed less affected than his attorney. After his return to jail he maintained his entire innocence of the criminal intent imputed to him. He said that the fact that a new trial would be taken in the matter of the forgery without any attempt to disguise his penmanship, precluded the idea of fraudulently intent.

Mr. Fowler, one of Evans' attorneys, will be in the matter of the forgery, but decided what action would be taken as to securing a new trial, but that doubtless the case would be appealed.

PRINTERS PLAN MEETING

Northwest Typographical Conference to Be in Spokane.

SPokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Aside from the Washington State Federation of Labor and the Northwest Carpenters' conference, Spokane will entertain an annual session of the Northwest Typographical conference during the week beginning January 15. Arrangements for sessions of the printers' conferences are now being rushed by A. W. Swanson, J. R. Moffat, George Duffy and A. C. Shearman, who will represent the Spokane Falls Typographical Union at the annual convention of the typographers of the Northwest Typographical conference.

It is likely that about 25 printer delegates representing various sections of British Columbia, Oregon and Washington will be in attendance. In each instance the delegates to the federation conference will also attend sessions of the typographical conference.

STREET RAILWAY IS SEEN

Seattle Financiers Would Back Municipal Project.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Seattle House Association announced today that at a meeting yesterday the members, including all the Seattle banks, voted unanimously to purchase or acquire any of the city bonds proposed to be issued for constructing a municipal street railway.

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"CHARTER DAY" IS HOLIDAY

Pacific University to Observe January 10, Date of Founding.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Wednesday, January 10, will be observed as "Charter day" at Pacific University. This day was recently set aside as an annual holiday in commemoration of the granting of the college charter, January 10, 1851.

This year the 61st anniversary of Pacific University, the programme will consist of historical reminiscences. Mrs. Eva Emery Bay, of Oregon City, will give the principal address of the day. Her subject will be "A Forgotten Heritage." The exercises will commence at 10 o'clock in the morning.

BRIDGE CONTRACTS LET

Two Portland Firms Get Work in Douglas County.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The County Court of Douglas County today awarded the contract for the erection of the Browns Ferry, Umpqua and Winston bridges to the Portland Bridge Company, at a cost of \$42,000, plus the approach, which probably will total about \$100,000. The contract for the Westchester bridge was awarded to the Columbia Bridge Company, of Portland, at a cost of \$44,000. There were seven bidders for the former contract. Work on the bridges will be commenced early in the Spring.

MULTNOMAH LEADS LIST

Lane County Is Second With 152 Students at State University.

Cottage Grove Soon to Have Band.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—An 11-pecent meeting has already been held and enough material was secured to guarantee that the band will soon be a reality.

VALLEY TOWNS ONE IN WAR ON RATES

Salem, Albany, Eugene and Corvallis to Send Envoy to Plead at Capital.

ALL TO HELP RAISE FUND

Towns Want Terminal Tariffs as Charged Portland on Eastern Shipments—Rail and River Combine Blamed.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Asserting that Willamette Valley cities suffer unjust discrimination in freight rates, business men of Salem, Albany, Eugene and Corvallis are raising a fund to send a Portland attorney to Washington, D. C., to intercede with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

INDEPENDENCE, OR. COUPLE CELEBRATE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE.



INDEPENDENCE, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Rev. Sanford Snyder and wife, of this city, celebrated the 40th anniversary of their marriage on Monday, Jan. 5, at Vergennes, Mich., where they were married.

A reception was held at their home from 2 P. M. till 4:30 P. M., and many of their relatives and friends were present to greet and congratulate the happy couple and to wish them many more anniversaries. Among the relatives who came were Mr. and Mrs. John Allen and Rev. Robert H. Allen, relatives of the bride. Mr. Snyder has been an honored member of the Oregon Methodist Episcopal conference since 1898, but he began his ministry in Michigan in 1872. He retired from active work in 1910, owing to impaired health.

BIG TIMBER DEAL MADE

\$600,000 IS PAID FOR 27,281 ACRES IN WASHINGTON.

Large Part of Holdings Adapted to Farming—Purchasers Are New York Capitalists.

SPokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—A big timber land deal for the purchase of 27,281 acres in Kittitas County by New York capitalists has just been closed by Spokane real estate dealers. The same purchasers are seeking to acquire other timber properties in the same locality.

The land consists of 16,231 acres, carries 215,000,000 feet of the quality Western soft pine, which is particularly adapted for ship lumber in the manufacture of oak and doers.

There are also 11,000 acres of high-grade agricultural land which can be irrigated from the water in streams on the land. The land is 18 miles north-south to the divide between the Yakima and Wenatchee rivers. The timber is on the foothills of Wenatchee Mountains. The lands consist of sections of uneven numbers, and the purchasers are negotiating for the purchase of additional land, including the even numbered sections.

Besides the agricultural land and the timber, the holdings are said to include several sections of coal lands on which a high quality of coal is known to exist.

JUNEAU BANKERS INDICTED

Former President and Cashier Are Charged With Frauds.

JUNEAU, Alaska, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Chief H. Summers, ex-president, and Stuart G. Holt, ex-cashier of the First National Bank of Juneau, were arraigned in the Federal Court here today upon indictments returned by the Federal grand jury charging fraudulent banking.

The accused men were allowed until next Monday to plead.

Summers, who formerly was a majority stockholder of a bank at Wenatchee, Wash., was put out of the First National Bank of Juneau last July after an examination by a National bank examiner. Summers turned his holdings over to a committee and the bank was reorganized upon substantial lines, and is not affected by the indicted bankers' ex-bank official.

The prosecution is being made by National Bank Examiner Bailey, who alleges that the banks show many fraudulent entries and that Summers is responsible.

THREE UNITE AT CORVALLIS

\$1250 Already Pledged to Send Representative to Washington.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—To obtain relief from existing freight rates on the East to Willamette Valley points, business men and commercial bodies of the Valley towns are raising a fund of \$2000 to be used in presenting their case before the Interstate Commerce Commission, which will meet at Washington January 13.

Representative business men of Salem, Albany and Corvallis met here this morning and decided that there is imperative need for immediate action. A similar meeting was held at Eugene yesterday afternoon, and other Valley towns are intercessing with the Interstate Commerce Commission, which will be asked to co-operate in the work.

WORK ON THE RESUMED

OPERATIONS ON NATION-KLAMATH CUTOFF PUSHED.

TRAINLOAD OF MATERIAL AND SUPPLIES

Forwarded to Oakridge, Present Terminal of Line.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Utah Construction Company, which has the contract for the construction of several more miles of the Southern Pacific Company's Natron-Klamath Falls cutoff, yesterday sent a train load of material and construction outfit from Natron to Oakridge.

PHONE MEETING IS HELD

Husum and White Salmon Companies Have Conference.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Representatives of the Husum Mutual Telephone Company, organized as a result of the levy, met the White Salmon Telephone Company here yesterday to listen to any proposition it might make to the end of eliminating another company in the western part of the county.

Mr. Smithson, local manager, put this in writing and submit it at a subsequent meeting of the two companies. Other things, will include cutting out the Husum exchange entirely, thereby eliminating the exchange toll. Extra wires will be run from the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company of Portland, was in attendance, using his efforts to effect a compromise and thereby avoid the necessity for building another line in the White Salmon Valley.

NEW BRIDGE UNDER WAY

Northern Pacific Has Crew of 75 Men Working at Raymond.

RAYMOND, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Work upon the Northern Pacific's new \$1,500,000 draw-bridge, at the mouth of the South Fork at this place, was begun this week. A crew of 75 men yesterday moved the old structure to a temporary pier, north of the new structure.

This work was accomplished by loading the old bridge on two large scows and floating it clear of the right of way and with scarcely any delay to train service. The new bridge is a 175-foot span, the entire length being 225 feet and will be completed within 60 days. It will be operated by means of a gasoline engine.

BUTTE, OR., GETS BETTER MAIL SERVICE.

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INSANE ASYLUM REPORT MADE PUBLIC.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the State Asylum for the Insane, in his report for the year to the board of trustees, says that the institution has expended \$275,000 for the year and has a balance on hand of \$281,000. This shows a surplus of \$6,000.

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OLD DISPUTE RECALLED

ECHO OF FAMOUS CONTROVERSY HEARD

When Executive Demands Attorney-General Take Action—31,000 Acres Involved.

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LEAP YEAR BOYS IN DARK

GIRLS' METHOD OF INVITING TO BALL AROUSES HOPES.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Young men eligible to attend the Leap Year ball to be given by the Carmencitas in Columbia Hall, January 12, were much troubled today in attempting to find who had been invited, and by whom, and the methods used in dealing with the delicate social problem. Those who usually attend such social events were comparing notes, and one young man, Harry Hayes, admitted rather reluctantly, that he had already received six invitations to go to the ball.

MONEY BACK IF YOU WISH.

Where is the best place to rent a piano? At Eilers Music House.

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Annual Clearance Sale

Fine Novelty Jewelry

Ladies' Back Combs in many handsome, plain and jeweled effects. All reduced one-half.

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Art Brass Goods

This is an exceptional opportunity to secure Art Brass at bottom prices. You will find here just the piece desired.

- \$1.25 6-inch Hammered Brass Jardiniere, knob feet. 98c
- 75c 6-inch Brass Hanging Baskets with chain 98c
- \$1.00 Brass Ash Tray with match holder 75c
- \$1.75 Hammered Brass Serving Trays, 10x13 \$1.34

Annual Clearance Sale

Fine Toilet Soaps

Now is the time to lay in your supply of toilet soaps. Prices are reduced one-fourth to one-half.

Open a Monthly Account With Us

Out-of-Town Folks—Mail Us Your Orders. We Send and Ship to Every Part and Port in the World

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Beautiful Cut Glass

Every piece of our immense line of Cut Glass is reduced one-fourth to one-third.

Annual Clearance Sale

Of Guaranteed Rubber Goods

Now is the time to have a good Water Bottle in the house. A better one cannot be found anywhere than you buy here.

- \$2.50 all metal Water Bottles at \$2.19
- \$2.00 maroon Water Bottles at \$1.09
- \$1.25 maroon Water Bottles at . . . 93c
- \$2.00 Combination Water Bottle, \$1.33

Annual Clearance Sale

Fine Bristle Goods

75c imported rubber back Hair brush, only one to a customer. 11c

- Hugh's "Ideal" Hair Brush. 49c
- Complexion Brushes 23c, 33c. 73c
- 25c Tooth Brushes 19c

We are headquarters for Thermometers, Barometers and Aneroids. Send for free booklet—tells about weather, manufacturers' and orchardists' Thermometers.

SEVEN MORE ARE GONE

Bush & Lane Piano Co.'s Grand Annual Clearance Sale a Great Success.

LOOK AT THE PRICES.

Hallett & Davis, largest size, finest mahogany case, just like new, cost \$375, now \$225.

Another Hallett & Davis, largest size, \$375 style, a big snip for \$195.

Thelin, finest mahogany case, a splendid value at \$250, now only \$225.

Another Thelin, elegant condition, the \$250 style, for only \$210.

Bush & Lane baby grand, in finest mahogany, piano used by prominent musician, cost \$300, now only \$210.

Bush & Lane player piano, genuine case, used for apartment purposes and as good as new, regular \$350 style, now only \$255.

Victory, largest size, beautiful walnut case, was \$375, a rare value at \$190.

Steinway, dark case, good condition, cost new \$300, now only \$185.

Victor Piano, fine mottled walnut, cost new \$325, now only \$210.

Warner, built walnut, excellent condition, regular \$225, now only \$185.

Knights' Brinkerhoff, superb mahogany, can't be told from new, was \$350, now only \$250.

Fine, elegant mahogany, splendid condition, new \$400, now only \$195.

Another Victor, cost \$400, now only \$275.

A superb Bush & Lane, in art style case, traded in for player piano, cost \$50, now only \$275.

A fine Steinway, excellent condition, accepted as part payment of Bush & Lane player piano, cost \$50, now only \$25.

MONEY BACK IF YOU WISH.

Each and every piano will be found exactly as represented or money back. Furthermore, we will accept any instrument purchased during this sale any time within a year toward purchase of another and allow every penny paid.

Terms as low as \$4 and \$5 a month can be arranged. Don't wait. Don't delay. Come, see and judge for yourself. Bush & Lane Piano Company, 256 Washington Street, Market street building. Store open this evening.

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NEW FERRY POLE BEING ERECTED.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)

A new pole is being raised here today to carry the cable by which the ferry across the Willamette River is operated. A short time ago the cable parted near the place where it had been anchored on the west side of the river and the loose end broke off the top of the pole. In the meantime the gasoline launch, Louise, has been towing the ferry across until the new pole is put in place and the cable repaired.

Mannheim and Strausz (Kehl) only 75 days in 1910 it was navigable for 306 days, which was a record number. The deepening of the river and the constant care expended by the governments of both Baden and Alsace-Lorraine have made this increase possible.