

JUDGES CENSURED  
BY JUDGE MCGINN

Verdict of \$685 in Damage  
Suit Against Multnomah  
Hotel Held Too Small.

COUNTY OFFICIALS BLAMED

Attack Answered by Rufus Holman,  
Who Says He Has Supervised  
Selection of Venues and  
Tells of Method Pursued.

Judge McGinn again criticized the method of selecting the 1915 jury list, when a jury in his court yesterday morning brought in a verdict for \$685 damages in favor of Jennings against the Multnomah Hotel Company.

Yesterday's remarks followed a severe arraignment last week when Judge McGinn declared the entire 1915 jury list of more than 2000 names was "hand-picked."

Jennings sued the hotel company because he caught his foot in a broken sidewalk light, fell and strained the ligaments of one leg. He asked \$8000 damages. The jury verdict awarded him \$685.

The verdict in this case finds that the defendants were negligent and that the defendants should respond in damages," said Judge McGinn. "That being so, \$685 is not enough for the injury this old man received. I think of it, to give an old man in this condition, crippled for life, with no negligence upon his part, only \$685. Still, this verdict is in keeping with what we have been getting here and I guess we are going to get some more of it."

County Commissioners Censured.  
The men responsible for the selection of this jury panel, the County Commissioners, particularly Mr. Holman, should be held to account for turning over to D. J. Tommasini, or to any other man, the drawing of a jury when the law makes it the duty of the County Commissioners and of the Commissioners only to draw a jury at the beginning of the year. It is a shame that one should be so derelict in the performance of duty as to turn over to another who has no public responsibility such an important matter as the selection of a jury.

In this particular case, \$685 doesn't begin to measure the damage to this old man, Mr. Jennings. I can only repeat what I said the other day, that "under God" is not getting a cent deal with this kind of jury and this is the 'Alpha and Omega' of it."

Judge McGinn's remarks created considerable comment about the courthouse. They reached the ears of Commissioner Rufus C. Holman, who strongly defended the method of selecting the jury, declaring he himself supervised the work.

Mr. Holman Replies.  
"I believe," said Mr. Holman, "that one of the most sacred, if not the most sacred duty any citizen can be called upon to perform is the selection of the jury list. The Supreme Court of our state has directed the Board of County Commissioners to prepare the jury list for Multnomah County. It is not to be desired or sought after, but like military duty, to be performed conscientiously and without delay. Who takes the oath of office and assumes this labor along with all the other duties of his temporary trust."

"I alone of the Commissioners have since becoming a member of the board, personally supervised and directed the drawing of the jury list for the years 1914 and 1915, after having conferred with the District Attorney as to the regularity, propriety and legality of the methods used."

"This controversy is, of course, distasteful to me, as the criticisms against the jurymen are from Judge McGinn, whom I respect and honor."

Criticism Declared Unfair.  
"However, it is due the public to know the facts, because, as far as I am concerned, the same methods which have been used for the past two years will be continued in the future unless some specific fault can be pointed out and a better way substituted. The one point that has been advanced to me, which the public is misinformed, is the fact that Mr. Tommasini did not draw the jury list for the last two years, but acted only as clerk along with 10 or 14 others engaged in following the direction and doing the detail work for the Board of County Commissioners, and that I, as chairman of the Board at that time, was overseeing their work."

"I cannot see the logic in Judge McGinn's criticisms. It is reported that he criticizes the County Commissioners for delegating this duty, and then criticizes me for performing it."

"Before I became a member of the Board the jury list was drawn from personal knowledge by the County Clerk's office. There was constant criticism about professional jurymen."

Method is Described.  
"To get away from that criticism for the year 1914, the first 2000 names of resident male taxpayers were taken in the order in which they paid their taxes. Later they were compared with the taxroll for the year, and after the legal exemptions were eliminated, the list was turned over to the County Clerk in the presence of the presiding judge, as the jury list for that year."

sermon topics to be delivered are: "Prophecies of the Old and New Testaments Relative to Present World Conditions," "Universal Peace," "The Coming of the Prince of Peace," "The Millennium," "The Fall of Constantinople," "What Then?" "The Next World Empire."

The daily programme will be as follows: Forenoon—Rising bell, 5:30; general and young people's devotional meetings, 6; breakfast, 7; district meetings, 8; children's meetings, 8; conference business meetings, 9:30; mission meetings after business, 9:30; preaching, 11:00; dinner, 12:30.

EAST IRVINGTON MATRON ENTERTAINS AT SERIES OF PARTIES.

Mrs. Harry E. Hobbs, of East Irvington, entertained with a series of parties on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons at her home, Bridge and "509" were played on two afternoons, and the other was passed in musical entertainment. Delicious collations were served each day and Mrs. K. Nordin, mother of the hostess, assisted in serving. An abundance of roses and sweet peas were arranged with ferns. Score cards and place cards harmonized with the color scheme of pink and red, and the place cards were tiny May baskets.



About 67 prettily gowned women attended. Mrs. Hobbs, Edith Nordstrom, a Portland girl, with a host of friends and acquaintances and is a well-known musician. Cards of honor for bridge and "509" fell to Mrs. J. E. Holman, Mrs. K. Arnold, Mrs. M. Huen and Mrs. D. Long.

preaching, 2:30; special meetings to be announced daily in large pavilion tent, 4 to 6; children's meetings, 4; young people's meetings, 5; supper, 8; song meetings, 8:30; retiring bell, 9:45; silence bell, 10.

OREGON GOODS FAVORED  
CITY AND COUNTY COMMISSIONS PLEDGED CHAMBER SUPPORT.

Mr. Brewster Declares Municipality Compelled by Charter to Give Awards to Lowest Bidder.

Believing that the Bingham bill, which allows a 5 per cent preferential favor of Oregon-made goods when purchased by Boards of County Commissioners or officials of municipalities for public use, should be applied to the members of the board of the Portland Chamber of Commerce yesterday recommended that the board of directors support such purchasing bodies of the City of Portland and County of Multnomah as will have charge of the purchasing of supplies. The resolution was adopted upon presentation of a report from the committee of investigation headed by A. C. Labbe. The report said that the bill had been introduced in the Legislature by the support of the Oregon Manufacturers' Association because of the fact that certain contracts in such sums as \$20,000 had been allowed to go outside the state because the outside bid was \$600 below the Oregon bid.

City Commissioner Brewster sustained the statement that the city had sent contracts outside the state where the difference in the bids amounted to \$1000. Mr. Brewster said that he had no discretion in the matter. Mr. Brewster held that the Legislature could not amend the Portland city charter so as to amend the charter should be amended by vote of the city. The Commission would be compelled to continue letting contracts to the lowest bidder.

"PROHIBITION" IS EXCUSE  
Divorced Brewer Declares He Is Unable to Pay Alimony.

Albert Mittelherer pleaded "prohibition" when he was haled before Circuit Judge McGinn yesterday morning because he had not paid \$1800 alimony granted to Mrs. Josephine Mittelherer when she divorced him last year. The judge ordered Mittelherer to pay his former wife \$25 a month.

Mittelherer is a brewer. A year ago he was fined \$175 a month since the passage of the prohibition amendment, however, he says his salary has been cut to \$125. When the brewery shuts down January 1, 1916, he will be out of a job. In court yesterday he declared he had been "legislated out of a job" and could not pay the alimony.

MOTHER AND BOY OF 10 SEE THEIR FIRST CIRCUS

Poverty-Stricken Woman Won From State of Grudge Against World by Sight of Undreamed Of Splendor in Big Tent.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.  
SOME little friend wrote me a note saying that if I would go to a certain house in South Portland I would find a 10-year-old boy who had never been to a circus. While it seemed certain to me that the information was not correct, I concluded to go to the place mentioned and see what had caused such a letter to be written. The place mentioned is not really a house. It is simply a shack and is habitable only in the sense that it gives partial protection from the weather. I found it occupied by a woman who at first sight seemed to

LENIENCY IS URGED FOR MRS. TACKELS

Woman Convicted of Crime Told to Go Home and Come for Sentence Next Week.

MENTAL CONDITION TESTED

Shots Fired at Husband in Court Declared Due to Lies Told by Him About Wife—Trial Before Judge Gatens Brief.

"Come back next week when you have lots of time," Mrs. Tackels, and "sentence you," said Circuit Judge Gatens smilingly to Mrs. Hazel Tackels, whom a jury had just convicted of assault with a dangerous weapon, "the greatest leniency" was recommended in the verdict.

Mrs. Tackels shot twice at her husband during a hearing before Municipal Judge Stevenson in Morals Court on April 25. On the witness stand yesterday she said she shot because her husband lied about her in court. Judge Gatens called three physicians into the courtroom after the trial was over and had them examine Mrs. Tackels for her mental condition to see "if she is a fit person to be at large." Drs. J. F. Breath, David H. Rand and George B. Storey pronounced her sane.

It was then that Judge Gatens said he would release her on her own recognizance. He paid her little 6-year-old daughter on the head. "Is this your girl?" inquired the judge. "Yes," said Mrs. Tackels. "My, she's a fine girl," said the judge as he stroked her yellow curls. "I certainly think so, your honor," responded Mrs. Tackels.

The judge fished a dime out of his pocket and handed it to the child. "There, now," he said, "you buy yourself an automobile and a new dress and a load of candy and anything else you want, and keep the change."

Judge Gatens instructed W. A. Leet, Mrs. Tackels' attorney, to bring her back to court "some time next week when we're not too busy." The trial of Mrs. Tackels did not last long. A jury was quickly selected and the state called four witnesses. With a bullet hole through his coat tail Municipal Judge Stevenson took the witness chair and told the story of the shooting. The first shot passed over his head and buried itself in the wall, Judge Stevenson said. When the second was fired he and Miss Williametta McElroy, the stenographer, were strapping with Mrs. Tackels. This bullet punctured Judge Stevenson's coat and struck Miss McElroy in the leg.

It didn't exactly go through the coat tail either, Judge Stevenson explained to the jury as he exhibited the mark. Police Sergeant Thatcher, Patrolman Johnson and Deputy City Attorney Stadler were the other witnesses for the state. Their stories of the shooting coincided with that of Judge Stevenson. When he charged the jury Judge Gatens asked that they give the leniency as to the punishment that should be meted out if they found Mrs. Tackels guilty. In 20 minutes the jury returned with the verdict. This verdict as charged in the indictment. In addition, "the greatest possible leniency" was recommended.

NOTABLES ON JURY LIST  
ATTORNEY REGARDS THEM AS "HIGHBROW BUNCH."

Nearly One-Third of Men Drafted for June Term of Circuit Court &c Most Prominent Men.

Attorneys who specialize in damage suits made wry faces when they looked over the jury list for the June term of Circuit Court yesterday. "This is a highbrow bunch for fair," said one lawyer. Others caught up the expression and repeated it. Before long the 160 men named on the list had been dubbed "the highbrow jury."

VETERANS ARE CALLED OUT  
Clark County Encampment to Be Held July 15 and 16.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 24.—(Special.)—A. J. Mills, president of the Clark County Veterans' Association, has issued an order for the observance of the annual encampment to be held at Orchards July 15 and 16. A joint encampment will be held with the United Spanish War Veterans. The veterans' auxiliary organizations will serve meals both days. A large number of the Grand Army men will go from Vancouver.

Decoration Day, May 30—Complete Stock of Flags in All Sizes at Lowest Prices, 4th Floor  
Appetizing Luncheon Served in the Tea Room from 11:30 to 2:30 Daily, Prompt Service  
Red Letter Day  
Olds, Wortman & King  
Reliable Merchandise—Reliable Methods  
Pacific Phone Marshall 4800 Home Phone A 6231  
Next Wednesday 10 STAMPS FREE  
To All Visitors to Premium Parlors.

Department Managers' Competitive Sale!  
AND JUNE WHITE SALE!  
Only a Few Restricted Lines in White Goods Excepted

MEN'S \$1.25 Union Suits at 79c  
Men's Department, Main Floor  
Here's a rousing special for Men! 300 fine quality Hiale Union Suits made by the world-renowned Corwith Mills. Light weight, elastic ribbed and shown in pure white. Short sleeves, knee or three-quarter length, also sleeveless and knee length. Perfect fitting and finished with covered seams. Closed Crotch. Sizes range from 34 up to 50. Standard \$1.25 Suits at 79c

36-in. Percales at 9c Yd  
\$1.25 Swiss Curtains 59c  
Main Floor—You are asked to pay 12 1/2c for Percales of this quality at other stores. Very fine count and beautiful finish. Shown in great variety of light and dark patterns. Priced 9c special, the yard at only 9c

\$4.95 Hat Shapes \$1.95  
Millinery Salons, Second Floor  
400 high-grade Hat Shapes to be disposed of today at half price and less! All the very smartest new shapes—sailors, turbans, pokes, etc., are included in this offering. Remember these are all from our regular stock. In the lot are Milans, Milan Hems, Belgium Straws, Etc., in black, white and all the wanted colors. Grades selling heretofore to \$4.95 on sale today at only \$1.95

75c Pillow Slips at 39c  
Wax Paper, 24 Sheets 3c  
Second Floor—Beautiful Stamped Pillow Slips of 42 and 45-inch tubing. Excellent quality. Variety of pretty designs. Regular 66c and 75c grades. On sale today, special price, 39c  
Main Floor—1000 rolls Wax Paper on sale today at about half price. Better lay in a supply for the Summer, 45c per ream (equal to 20 rolls) or by 3c the roll of 24 sheets at 3c

Picture Frames \$1.35  
Jewelry Dept., Main Floor  
The manager of the Jewelry Department offers 100 of these Sterling Silver Picture Frames for Tuesday at a reduction of nearly half. Latest shapes with ball feet and silk-plush covered removable back. Made to hold picture size 5 1/2 inches. An account of limited number in this lot it's advisable to come early to get one in the day. Regular \$2.50 Sterling Picture Frames \$1.35

\$5.00 Shoes at \$2.95  
Shoe Dept., Main Floor  
Smart "Peggy" Pumps of patent and dull calf, Military Pumps in lace effects with kid toppings, "Troy" Pumps of patent leather, "Lena" Pumps with black cloth quarter and concave heels, new "Castle" and "Turco" Pumps and many others. Season's latest styles. Regular \$5.00 shoes, at this sale \$2.95

\$1.25 Gloves 75c Pair  
Table—Morrison Street Way  
A timely sale of women's silk Gloves at a price which practically gives you two pair for the usual cost of one. Splendid quality all silk Milanese, 16-button length and fully guaranteed finger tips. Shown in a complete line of all sizes in both white and black. Don't overlook this extraordinary bargain offering. Regular \$1.25 long silk Gloves on sale for today at the pair 75c

\$2, \$2.50 Dress Goods \$1.69  
Main Floor—Department Manager's Sale High-Grade Wool Dress Goods—\$1.69  
Gabardine, Bedford Cords, Persian Cords, Whipcords, Hairlines, Vigeroux. Crepe and staple weaves in all the wanted colors.

\$6.75 Silk Skirts \$4.85  
One Style Just Like This Illustration—Dept., 2nd Floor  
Garment Salons, Second Floor—Women's and misses' silk Skirts on sale today at a splendid saving. A half dozen or more effective new styles. Some with corded flounces, others in shirred hip and waist effects, tailored, kilted and triple flounce models. All are new and right up to the minute in style. Shown in taffeta and peau de soie in plaids, shepherd checks, black-and-white stripes—also in black and navy. Some trimmed with jet buttons, belts. \$6.75 Skirts \$4.85  
WE GIVE S. & H. GREEN STAMPS

\$11.50 TRAVELING BAGS at \$8.45  
Childs' \$4 Coasters \$2.98  
Fourth Floor—Extra good quality cowhide Traveling Bags in regulation shape. Shown in black or tan. Finished with sewed frames and corners. Regular \$11.50 Bags on sale today for the \$8.45  
Fourth Floor—Here's a special that will interest the children! "American" Coaster Wagons with steering gear, brakes, etc. Nicely painted and sterilized. Regular \$5 Coasters on sale today at only \$2.98

Women's \$1.50 Waists 49c  
Basement Underprice Store  
Sensational underprice offering of 1500 women's Waists at an extremely low price. The basement manager says he will sell every one of these today at price quoted. Materials include voiles, pongee, fancy crepe, lawns, etc. Scores of pretty styles. Four of our largest display tables will be used for this special offering. Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 and \$1.50 Waists on sale today at low price 49c

\$1.25 ENVELOPE Chemise at 79c  
Girls' \$2.85 Dresses \$1.89  
Second Floor—For one day only we will sell Women's popular Envelope Chemise at this price. Empire effects in French lingerie cloth. Beautifully trimmed 79c—regular \$1.25 grade for 79c  
Second Floor—Wash Dresses for girls of intermediate ages. Good quality gingham and chambrays trimmed with contrasting colors. Size for girls 12-15. \$2.85 Dresses for \$1.89

M. J. B. Coffee, 3-LB. CAN \$1.00  
Grocery Dept., Fourth Floor  
This price will be in effect for one day only and we reserve the right to limit quantities sold to a customer. M. J. B. Coffee is of known quality, the regular selling price is 40c per pound. If you have never tried M. J. B. do so today at the demonstration booth in the Grocery Department. Shop early in the day and don't forget to order a 3-lb. can of this splendid Coffee for \$1.00

\$4.98 Trimm'd Hats \$2.95  
Basement Millinery  
These are all new models, just received. Fashionable large sailors and shepherdess effects; also black-and-white effects and all white with trimmings of flowers, buckles, velvet ribbons, fancy stick-ups, ribbon streamers and other novelties. Attractive mid-season Hats easily worth \$4.98. On sale today \$2.95 at the special price of only \$2.95

his age was, and his eyes were wide open and in them a gleam of a peculiar intelligence.  
Affection is Manifested.  
As the show went on the wrinkles on the mother's face softened, unbound, almost disappeared. In her eyes the gleams of intelligence increased and she turned to her boy with almost a look of love, certainly a look of interest and yearning, and her hand crept around and slowly caressed his— and the two of them seemed to blend together in a mutual understanding that certainly almost meant love.

Not once during the show did either of them smile. To them the performance was a sort of reverential service in which laughter would be out of place. As the last event took place and we went our way out and caught a jitney for their section of the city the mother's hand sought mine and held it, while Ned nestled close down between my feet and I saw in his eyes, reverently, the mother and child sat until near their home we alighted. As the jitney drew away she clasped my hand again, looked into my eyes and said in a choking voice, as a tear trickled out of each eye, "We-uns didn't know, we never did know, my father and mother didn't know, that there was anything in the world so beautiful as a circus. We have always been so poor, so very poor, that there has never before been a single day of

pleasure in my life—nor in that of dear little Ned." "The brat" no longer, and the mother that a day ago was scarcely human sees now that there is something in life worth living for. And all because of the circus.

RHEUMATISM  
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MANY RED CROSS HOSPITALS

them. Upon the mother's face I had seen no sign of an expression of love, intelligence or happiness. Indeed, it seemed that she would break her face if she attempted to smile. She had shown by her talk with me and by her looks and treatment of the "brat" that she had a terrible grudge against the Almighty for three offenses—allowing her to be born, allowing her departed husband to be born and allowing the "brat" to be born. It is sure she imagined she would be money ahead if this trio of "accidents" had not been started by her advent into the world.

Watching her and the boy closely it soon became apparent that they were becoming interested in what to them must have seemed a series of scenes taken from another world. As the riders cavorted and the clowns cut up with their alleged witticisms they stared in amazement and bewilderment. I staked my Young Americans to more peanuts and a glass of pink lemonade to each and moved over close to my proteges. They did not see me, they did not give anything save the performers. They were endeavoring to take in every act of the three rings, paying no attention to each other or to any of the audience.

Soon there seemed to come over the face of the mother a peculiar expression of intelligence and youthfulness. She grew younger. I had taken her to be 35—I soon saw she could not be 35, was perhaps about 25 or 26. And the boy, the "brat" seemed to look younger than the 10 his mother had told me

As we gathered in the crowd before the ticket wagon the mother and "brat" were so bewildered that they had to be herded almost like sheep. They had never been in such a crowd before. Once inside the tent, I secured front seats for them opposite the center ring and excused myself on the plea of business in the padding tent and went across the ring and gathered up a half dozen specimens of Young America and sent one of them to the peanut butcher for as many bags of peanuts; then the seven of us foregathered on the sward by the side of the ring—seven small boys out for a day's sport!

Attention is Won.  
Having the mother and "brat" right before me, where I could watch them, I paid the most of my attention to them. Upon the mother's face I had seen no sign of an expression of love, intelligence or happiness. Indeed, it seemed that she would break her face if she attempted to smile. She had shown by her talk with me and by her looks and treatment of the "brat" that she had a terrible grudge against the Almighty for three offenses—allowing her to be born, allowing her departed husband to be born and allowing the "brat" to be born. It is sure she imagined she would be money ahead if this trio of "accidents" had not been started by her advent into the world.

CHURCH CONFERENCE NEAR  
Seventh Day Adventists Gather at  
Creston Park Thursday.

The Western Oregon conference of Seventh-Day Adventists will be held at Creston Park beginning Thursday and continuing to June 8. Among the