

RIDDELL DECLARED POSTED ON LETTERS

Former Stenographer Testifies in Suit Against Secretary of Development Co.

ADVERTISING IS SUBMITTED

Forest Rangers Assert That Land Sold for Orchard Purposes Was Almost Valueless—Defense Says Office Was Nominal.

Miss Ella O'Gara, ex-stenographer for the Oregon Inland Development Company, was the principal witness for the Government yesterday in the trial of H. H. Ridwell, its secretary and secretary, for alleged fraudulent use of the mails in the sale of orchard lands.

She was stenographer for the company from April, 1912, to April, 1913, and Mr. Ridwell, she testified, was secretary during this period and a frequent visitor at the office of the company. She declared that advertising literature of the company, in which the Government had pointed out alleged misstatements, was brought to the office in lots of 1000 to 10,000 pieces, and that the defendant could not have helped knowing it was being used.

Miss O'Gara declared positively that Mr. Ridwell was consulted in regard to changing the wording of one of the advertisements in which she was named as secretary.

These letters, she said, were acknowledgments of receipt of the first payment of \$10 on orchard land contracts, and requests that the purchasers sign additional contracts and write for more literature for themselves and friends.

She also identified the first and second issues of the "Oregonian," a newspaper of Oregon and a circular known as "Progress" that were sent out by the company.

United States Attorney Reames brought out that the first and second issues of "Oregonian" contained photographs of seeds alleged to have been issued by the company.

Following Miss O'Gara, United States Attorney Reames put 12 United States forest rangers on the stand. One by one as they were called, the descriptions of the lands given in the deeds were read in their entirety.

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Mr. Ridwell was simply the attorney for the company, as Mr. McCann testified in part. In addition, he had his regular practice. He could not inquire into the methods of the company.

It was also testified that the Government must prove, absolutely, that there was wrong doing by Mr. Ridwell himself and that he cannot be convicted merely because the company for which he was attorney transacted an irregular business.

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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Anita Stewart, (The Girl From Heaven) in 'The Goddess,' Now Playing at The Peoples

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Pickford—"Camille." People—"The Foundling." "The Goddess." Columbia—"Between Men." "The Woods of Friesland." Majestic—"A Parisian Romance." "Madame X." National—"The Deathlock." Sunset—"The Making Over of Geoffrey Manning."

LONDONERS cannot agree on American comedians. This applies both to public and press. One big metropolitan daily attacks Yankee humor as being vulgar, coarse and suggestive, lacking the essence of the Englishman; another comes back with the remark that there is no such thing as a high-class American film comedian, all of the top-notchers being borrowed from England.

Here's the way "they" have to come to us, the paragraph runs: "What is the matter with the American film comedian, or is such an individual non-existent? It is a remarkable fact that whenever America needs a really first-class comedian for the screen, she nearly always has to come to the old country. Charlie Chaplin, Billy Hiteah, Billy Beavers, Syd Chaplin, the four principal comedians on the film, are all British, and, moreover, are chiefly supported by actors from their own country. Indeed, all the male members of Chaplin's company—Billy Armstrong, Leo White, Laurence Flowers, Harold Holland, George Cleithorpe and Fred Goodwin—are British to the backbone. America, in fact, has proved that the British film-comedian is the best in the world, and that the average American film comedian, by comparison, is nowhere."

When the wise ones thought they were taking a huge wallop at America and tried to stop a Chaplin film because of alleged coarseness and obscenity, the stamp of unopinion approval on the production, it was really a boomerang affair.

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"The Girl and the Game," the railroad serial of the Mutual Film Company, which features Helen Holmes in 15 daring episodes of two reels each, will be screened in Portland at the Pantagone Theater commencing next Monday.

BRIDE ARRANGES TO FREE FORGER MATE

Mrs. Charles Morrison Goes to Relatives to Wait Until Husband Makes Good.

ILL-GOTTEN GAINS REPAID

Young Wife Redeems Pawns Demanded for Firm Defrauded by Her Spouse and Prosecution Is Not to Be Pushed.

Mrs. Charles A. Morrison yesterday arranged to get her husband out of jail and has given him a chance to make a man out of himself. She plans to leave Portland today for her uncle's 15,000-acre ranch, where she will quietly wait until he has made good and come after her.

She visited him in jail yesterday and he promised her he would make a man out of himself. There was no reproach on the part of the heartbroken bride. Every word was of encouragement. He asked nothing, but promised to do his best.

"Tell the people that everything's come out all right," she said at the hotel last night, where she received money from her relatives yesterday.

"I've stood by him through his trouble. He can't support me now, so I'm going back to the farm. If he makes good, he can come back to me. Bride to Watch Efforts. "They told me I might be wasting my life, but what if I am? If he comes out of jail with no one to look out for him or no one to work for, he will succeed. But if he has me to work for, if he knows that some one is watching his efforts, he'll make good, and then I'll have a man to live with."

"I can't reform him by living with him, for I would be a burden to him, so this is the best way. There is no dread going back there to face his sorrow and mortification. I'd rather go to some place and get a position and support myself, but they would feel worse if they didn't know where I was; they want me, so I'm going back."

It was through Mrs. Morrison's efforts that arrangements have been made to free her husband, probably next Tuesday, after she has had ample time to get far enough away so that there will be no temptation on his part to follow her.

While she was fighting for the release of her husband, his father, T. W. Morrison, refused to help his son.

Man's Father Not to Help. "Don't wire any more collect messages," he ordered in a telegram sent to young Morrison in jail yesterday.

Kingston, Jamaica, under the direction of Herbert Brenon, has become so used to being in the water, because of the picture being repitied with aquatic scenes, she is beginning to feel uncomfortable on dry land. Even the fish tail she wears as a costume when in the character of a mermaid is no impediment to her swimming, as she has learned to swim it from side to side in imitation of the members of the flimsy tribe.

Another sojourn to Florida is Grace Valentine, when she will appear in the role of Eve in "Man and His Soul," the play in which Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne are starred. The Garden of Eden scene, in which Miss Valentine appears, is one of the big scenes that will be staged in the South. No wonder she had to go where it was warmer. Can you imagine playing in an Eve costume, consisting of several leaves, in northern winter weather?

Forgery Victims Found. Police Locate 17 in Terrill Pope's Alleged Operations.

Terrill Pope, picked up Wednesday night by City Detectives Mallett and Price and charged with spreading bad paper over the city for two weeks, succeeded in obtaining more than \$155 from 17 different persons before caught, as far as the officers have been able to check his operations.

The following are the places at which he is alleged to have cashed checks and the amounts involved: Martin Tins, 201 Jefferson street, \$10; R. A. Patrick, 201 Third street, \$10; J. D. Reynolds, 215 North Twenty-third street, \$10; E. A. Jensen, 432 Nevada street, \$10; Anderson & Lloyd, 719 Alberta street, \$16.43; P. L. Swan, 215 Fifth street, \$5; Tacey Swan, 215 East Duane street, \$5; J. J. Reed, 149 First street, \$5; A. N. Miller, 972 Union street, \$7; Miller & Kahna, 560 Flannery street, \$5; Joe Amann, 249 Yamhill street, \$5; William Brickley, 275 East Morrison street, \$5; Fred Wagner, 514 Washington street, \$7; Fred Wakefield, Sixteenth and Washington, \$5; H. R. Allen, 429 Washington, \$10.

ital Hill and the Multnomah, will remain closed until there is a decided moderation in the weather, as these buildings are portables and cannot be heated sufficiently when there is a strong wind.

The oil situation at Lincoln High was really dramatic. To preserve the oil supply so that the February seniors' class play "The Rivals" could be given yesterday afternoon and last night the season was abbreviated Thursday and at that there wasn't enough oil left to make the auditorium really comfortable for the class play production. For the afternoon performance the supply was reasonably adequate, but for the night not so. It is expected the supply will be replenished by Monday morning, however.

INSURANCE DEAL BARED

STOCK, TRADED FOR \$50,000 IN ASSETS, GOT BACK FOR \$10,000.

American Life & Accident Officials Give Testimony—Argument on Demurrers to Be Next Week.

Details of the Tacoma transaction by which a certificate representing stock traded for \$50,000 of assets came back into the hands of the sellers of the stock for a consideration supposed to be less than \$10,000 were bared in the final taking of depositions yesterday in the suit of stockholders against the Union Pacific Life Insurance Company.

At a foreclosure sale of this certificate, representing an \$80,000 purchase and put up as security, it is admitted by accused officials, for a loan of \$20,000, it was purchased by one E. C. Wheeler for \$5,000. It next bobbed up in the hands of Morton Gregory and A. B. Braden, president and secretary of the Union Pacific Life, and the men who received the \$40,000 in assets in return for this certificate originally.

That Mr. Gregory and Mr. Braden and President A. McGill, of the American Life & Accident Insurance Company, and Secretary S. A. Madge, of that organization, were in a conspiracy in the juggling of these assets of \$50,000, is alleged in the complaint of N. Wheelton et al., who are suing for the return of the securities to the rest of the shareholders of the defunct American Life.

Gregory and Braden admitted in their depositions yesterday to paying \$20,000 to Attorney W. P. Richardson, of the firm of Booth & Richardson, with which petitioners in the case of Dr. Byron E. Miller et al. vs. the Union Pacific Life Insurance Company, were to have their claims "squared."

Argument on the demurrers filed to the suit will be heard next week.

LUMBERMEN MEET HERE

AIM IS TO UNIFY EFFORTS OF ALL ASSOCIATIONS.

To Eliminate Duplications and Unnecessary Expenses Is Plan Outlined for Northwest Interests.

Plans for improving conditions affecting the lumbering of representative timber and lumber producers of the Northwest at the Portland Hotel yesterday.

This was the first of a series of similar meetings that are to be held in various parts of the country under the auspices of the Western Forestry and Conservation Association.

Present at the session were H. D. Langille, of Portland, who presided; C. J. Humbird, of Sandpoint, Idaho; C. H. Dyer, who presided in proxy of C. A. Weyerhaeuser, of St. Paul; E. C. Ames, representing the Puget Sound district; E. H. Hazen, H. Kirk and E. T. Allen, of Portland.

The principal object of yesterday's meeting was to gain the views of the lumber interests of the Pacific Northwest on the general program for bettering the industry. This movement was started at San Francisco last October, when the first industry conference was conducted by the Western Forestry and Conservation Association. It is aimed, through this organization, to unify the efforts of all associations connected with the industry. Those in attendance represented the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, the Western Pine Manufacturers' Association, the Northern Pine Manufacturers' Association and the chief forestry protective organizations of Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

PEOPLES THEATER

Your Last Chance to Get Souvenir Photos of MARY PICKFORD ANITA STEWART EARLE WILLIAMS

"The Foundling" AND "The Goddess"

The Two Plays That Captured the Whole Town This Week. Don't Let Anything Stand in Your Way—And Come Early.

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land officiating. After the wedding the young people will be at home temporarily at the Nortonia Hotel.

COUNTRY AGENTS GUESTS

Railway Employes See How City Freight Is Handled.

Local agents for the O-W. R. & N. Company at various stations in Oregon and Washington have been gathered in Portland for the last few days for a conference with local officials and to inspect the system in use for handling freight at the local terminals.

HOTEL EMPLOYES TO WED

Miss Olive Sawyer, of Multnomah, Is Bride of W. B. Welch, Benson.

Two civil hostilities in Portland will be united today, figuratively speaking, when Miss Olive Sawyer, who is employed in the clerical department at the Multnomah Hotel, and W. B. Welch, promilling clerk at the Benson, are married.

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