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JOHN H. HALL IS FOUND GUILTY

Jury Returns Verdict in Conspiracy Case.

SENTENCE NOT PRONOUNCED

Defendant Given Until April 1 to Move for New Trial.

RESULT NOT UNEXPECTED

Ex-United States Attorney Issues a Statement Declaring His Innocence—First Ballot Was 11 to 1 for Conviction.

CHRONOLOGY OF HALL TRIAL. February 10, 1905—Indictment returned. April 17, 1905—Hall arraigned, pleaded not guilty and moved for separate trial. January 15, 1905—Case called for trial. January 15, 1908—Jury is completed. January 15, 1908—Opening addresses delivered by the jury. January 22, 1908—Hamilton H. Hendricks, an alleged co-conspirator, pleads guilty and testifies against Hall. Clarence B. Zachary also pleads guilty to the indictment. January 23, 1908—W. W. Steiwer, another co-conspirator, admits his guilt and testifies against Hall. January 28, 1908—Judge Hunt overrules defendant's motion for an instructed verdict of acquittal. February 4, 1908—Closing arguments to jury begun. February 7, 1908—Case submitted to jury at 10:30 P. M. February 8, 1908—Verdict of guilty reached at 1:30 A. M. and returned into court at 10 A. M. Defense given until April 1 to file motion for new trial. Penalty for conspiracy—Fine not exceeding \$10,000 and imprisonment not exceeding two years.

"Guilty as charged in the indictment," was the verdict returned yesterday morning in the Federal Court against John H. Hall, ex-United States Attorney for Oregon. Sentence was not pronounced and the defense was given until April 1 to file a motion for a new trial. The defendant was also granted until May 1 to submit a bill of exceptions. Chronologically, three significant facts are noted: The case was begun on the 15th of the month, went to the jury on Friday and a verdict was returned on the 23d day of the trial of the case.

Both the prosecution and the defense were prepared for the verdict, feeling that the speedy decision by the jury indicated conviction. Knowing that a verdict had been reached, the courtroom was crowded when Judge Hunt took the bench at 10 o'clock. The formality of receiving the verdict, which was read by Deputy Clerk Marsh, occupied only a few minutes, when the jury was excused from further attendance.

The jurors conducted their deliberations with the strictest privacy, and even after they had been dismissed by the court declined to discuss the proceedings in the jury-room. It was learned that a number of ballots were taken, the first vote being 11 to 1 for conviction. Eli Ramer, of Linn County, is reported to have been the only dissenting member, and he joined the majority within three hours after the jury retired. M. S. Barnes, of Washington County, was chosen foreman by his associates.

After the verdict had been read the defendant, Mr. Hall, gave out the following statement:

"I am very much surprised at the verdict of the jury, and wholly unable to see upon what evidence they could have predicated it, unless it was upon matters wholly outside of the case,

which Mr. Heney introduced and of which I had no previous notice and no opportunity to meet, for there was no evidence against me of the conspiracy charged in the indictment, and I have no consciousness of having done any thing wrong in the matter. While the jury found me guilty by its verdict, there is nothing in my conscience that accuses me of any wrongdoing, and those of my friends who believe in me and my innocence I shall be pleased to have greet me as of old. Those who hold the contrary opinion can pass on the other side."

The jury consisted of: Alfred Freckson, farmer, Lebanon, Linn County.

William Fuqua, farmer, Clackamas County.

Charles J. Sunderland, fruit grower, Portland, Multnomah County.

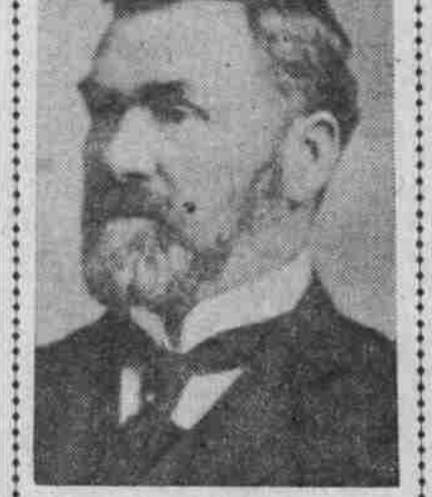
R. W. Fry, farmer, Albany, Linn County.

Samuel W. Miles, farmer, Rickreall, Polk County.

Ed Taylor, farmer, Sheridan, Yamhill County.

Frank Lines, farmer, Albany, Linn County.

Otto Nelson, streetcar conductor, Portland, Multnomah County.



Governor Dunsmuir, of British Columbia, Whose Removal From Office is Desired Because of His Attitude on Japanese Immigration.

M. S. Barnes, farmer, Beaverton, Washington County.

Frank Van Wassenhove, farmer, Champeau, Marion County.

Eli Ramer, farmer, Crabtree, Linn County.

Henry Freckson, retired farmer, Sheeds, Linn County.

CASES SET FOR APRIL TERM

Heney May Return to Try Hermann and Williamson.

All pending Oregon land-trust cases, numbering 22, will be taken up at the April term of the United States Court, which will be convened on Monday, April 13. Such an order was made yesterday by Judge Wolverson at the request of Francis J. Heney, who left last night for San Francisco, where, beginning tomorrow, he will assist District Attorney Langdon in the prosecution of Abe Ruef. The first case to be tried in April will be on the indictment charging Horace G. McKinley with the forgery of settlers' names to fraudulent homestead entries. McKinley was recently apprehended in Manchuria, and is being returned to Portland for trial, having left the United States while under bonds awaiting trial.

The plans of the Government contemplate that Tracy C. Becker, special assistant to the United States Attorney General, shall conduct the McKinley case and try the minor indictments, while Mr. Heney may return towards the close of the term to try Binger Hermann in the Blue Mountain conspiracy case, and also direct the Government's case in the retrial of J. N. Williamson, ex-Congressman, who was recently granted a new trial by the United States Supreme Court on a technicality.

On motion of Mr. Heney pending indictments were dismissed against two individual defendants. The charge against Charles F. Lord, who had been indicted with others for obstructing justice, was dismissed. The same disposition was made of the charge against Charles E. Hayes, who was under indictment with Thayer, Hadley and others for conspiring to defraud the Government of certain public lands in Tillamook County. Mr. Heney explained to the court that he was in possession of a physician's certificate to

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SAN FRANCISCO HAS ITS JUNGLE

Abattoirs Are Worse Than Chicago's.

FILTH SPREADS THE PLAGUE

Rats Feast on Putrid Meat on Tide Flats.

RADICAL ACTION TAKEN

Federal Health Officers Discover Vileness Fit for Sinclair's Pen. Rat-Gnawed Liver Is Sold in the Restaurants.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—A scandal rivaling that of the packing-houses of Chicago has been revealed in the San Francisco stockyards by the Federal health officers sent here to fight the bubonic plague. Filth such as the fabled Augean stables describes has been unearthed in the "Butchertown" district. An accumulation of offal and refuse, sewer open to the heavens and running its filth course through the very midst of the abattoirs, putrid meat floating in the bay, herds of rats feeding on the scraps un molested, and even gnawing at the products intended for market, are some of the sensations included in the disclosures made by Dr. J. C. Hurley, of the Federal Sanitary Corps, in his report to Dr. Rupert Blue, the Federal expert in charge of the situation in San Francisco.

Takes Radical Measures. The report has been turned over by Dr. Blue to the citizens' health committee. The committee has summoned the wholesale butchers to meet on Tuesday. At that time, the butchers will be ordered to clean up on the instant, or the Federal authorities, assisted by the local officers, will take radical measures.

The Federal experts have been secretly at work for some days past, and so quietly have their investigations been made that the stockyards authorities themselves are in ignorance of the scrutiny to which the lanes, slaughter-houses and byways of "Butchertown" have been subjected.

Findings Against Packers.

The findings are contained in a terse, searching report of 1500 words. The report boldly states that the safety of San Francisco demands the instant co-operation of the stockyards interests in correcting the abuses and assuring to the city a wholesome supply of meat. It makes the following general arrangements of "Butchertown": First, an inadequate sewerage; second, neglect of offal and refuse; third, generally unsanitary conditions in the slaughter-houses and yards; fourth, antiquated and inadequate buildings and mechanical appliances; fifth, failure to shut off the food supply of rats by proper precautions; sixth, failure to use diligence in preventing the shipment of rat-infected and otherwise objectionable meat.

In describing conditions under which cattle, sheep and swine are slaughtered for consumption in the homes and restaurants of the city, Dr. Hurley reported to Dr. Blue that "it needs the graphic pen of an Upton Sinclair to lay bare the nauseatingly unsanitary state of the abattoirs of Butchertown."

Rats Feast on Carrion.

"The report states," says Dr. Blue, "that quantities of liver have been sent into this city from Butchertown to which the rats had had access and had gnawed. The attention of the health officers was called to the conditions from the fact that a large number of plague-infected rats had been sent in from there. I detailed Dr. Hurley to make a report, and he not only found an unusually large number of rats there, but also discovered the most revolting sanitary conditions."

According to Dr. Hurley's report, large quantities of the refuse of Butchertown

are dumped out on the mud flats to be carried away by the tides. Before the water rises, however, a horde of rats descends upon the carrion and gorges.

BOMBS FOUND IN PALACE

Emperor of Russia Also Received Letter Threatening Death.

PARIS, Feb. 9.—The Memorial Diplomatique declares that recent rumors of the assassination of the Emperor of Russia were the outgrowth of the actual finding by the Empress upon her son's bed of a letter announcing that the Emperor and infant were condemned to death and of the discovery in the imperial palace of 17 bombs connected by electric wires, concealed in different parts of the building.

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RUSSIAN ARMY TO OVERAWE TURKEY

Douma Votes Money in Patriotic Fervor.

WILL GUARD PERSIAN FRONTIER

Ottoman Aggression Stirs Muscovite to Action.

RAPID ACTION DEMANDED

Force of 60,000 Picked Troops Will Check Invasion of Persia—Douma Votes an Appropriation Without Any Question.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 8.—The Russo-Turkish relations have entered upon a menacing phase. Alarmed at the unchecked Turkish penetration of Persia and mobilization in Armenia, the Russian government has decided to execute a formidable military demonstration in reply on the Turko-Persian frontier, dispatching there a compact expedition of 60,000 select troops from Central Russia, with full war equipment, and it is acting with uncommon rapidity, with a view to overawing the Turks by a decisive exhibition of force. The War Office has drawn up plans of the expedition and submitted them hurriedly for legislative enactment to the Douma Friday, and asked for an open credit for the maintenance of an army of 60,000 men. M. Guchkoff, leader of the Octobrist party, in a speech said that the majority of the Douma were Russian patriots and willing to part with their last shirt to defend the fatherland. The committee in a pith of patriotism passed the appropriation unanimously.

CLETON SCENTS TROUBLE

HOLDS VERY BRIEF INTERVIEW WITH HENEY.

Intimates That Conversation Was Unsatisfactory—Christian Schuebel Also Talks With Prosecutor.

Christian Schuebel and Thomas J. Cleton, both of whom have been named as candidates for United States District Attorney of Oregon, had interviews with Francis J. Heney yesterday afternoon. What the result of these interviews was is not known. Both were brief and when Mr. Heney was asked what was said by the candidates, he merely smiled and remarked: "They just came in to see me and to talk over the situation," and then Mr. Heney's face was covered with a grin that spoke volumes. Schuebel was the first to get to the ear of the prosecutor. Mr. Schuebel remained closeted less than five minutes and as Mr. Heney dismissed Mr. Schuebel, he called in Mr. Cleton. From Cleton's manner it was easy to discern that he was in a state of mind over the investigation that the Federal officers here were making into his political career especially. Like Mr. Schuebel, Mr. Cleton's interview with Heney was brief. Only this time, Mr. Heney, instead of seeing Mr. Cleton to the door, turned him over to Tracy C. Becker, who is in charge of affairs in the United States District Attorney's office. Judging from the interview Mr. Cleton had with Mr. Becker, things are not running smoothly for Mr. Cleton. While nothing definite is known of the investigation that has been made into Mr. Cleton's political career, there is reason to believe the report that will be sent to President Roosevelt will not be favorable. Just what there is against the new appointee is not known, unless it was a

part that he figured in in the Legislature of 1888, and has been politically friendly with men who have been more or less mixed up in the Oregon land frauds.

Mr. Cleton's visit to the third floor of the Postoffice building yesterday was for the purpose of getting a line on the charges that he has reason to believe have been brought out against him as a result of the investigations that have been made. He said in an interview that in case anything were brought up against him he wanted a chance to make an answer and made this request of both Heney and Becker.

The efforts of the Oregon delegation at Washington to name a successor to Mr. Bristol have been beset with obstacles. When Schuebel's name was mentioned there was a clamor and with the naming of Mr. Cleton the "noise" has not subsided.

While there has not been the public criticism of Mr. Cleton's appointment that there was of Mr. Schuebel's, there is reason to believe that Mr. Cleton will suffer the same fate as Mr. Schuebel.

FORGOTTEN CASE CALLED

District Attorney Demands Banker Be Brought to Trial.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Much to the surprise of everyone in



Public Printer Charles A. Sellings, Who Has Been Suspended by President.

Pendleton, District Attorney Phelps, in the Circuit Court this morning, demanded that C. E. Wade, ex-cashier of the First National Bank, be brought back from Los Angeles for trial on the charge of embezzlement. Wade's sensational financial balloon ascension a few years ago shook the financial centers of this city. He disappeared, but returned after a couple of years, and informations were filed against him, charging him with forgery and with inciting by ballots. When it came time for arraignment his attorneys pleaded physical and mental illness and by the affidavits and testimony of four physicians his case was indefinitely postponed. That was in March, 1905, and the calling up of the almost forgotten case by the District Attorney this morning has caused a sensation here. Wade's attorneys still insist that their client is not able to stand trial, but unless they can make a showing to that effect he will be compelled to come back for the April term of court. He is living in Los Angeles.

GERMANY REBUFS SULTAN

Says He Violated Treaty—Must Appeal to All Powers.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The reply of the German Foreign Office to the appeal made by Abd-el-Aziz, the Sultan of Morocco, for help against the French occupation of a portion of Moroccan territory, included two specific declarations. First—That the treatment of Moroccan questions must be clearly within the terms of the Algeiras act, and second—that the followers of Abd-el-Aziz have violated this act. Consequently, the Sultan must direct his appeal to all the signatories of the act, and not to Germany alone. The text of the German note has been communicated to France.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Major A. W. Edwards, Fargo. FARGO, N. D., Feb. 8.—Major Alanson W. Edwards, founder of the Fargo Daily Argus, in 1873, and later of the Fargo Forum, in 1891, died at his home here today.

First of New Steamer Line.

VALPARAISO, Feb. 8.—The steamer Desvignes arrived here today from New York. She is on her way to Guayaquil, Ecuador, and is the first vessel of the Barber line to run between New York and Guayaquil to come up the Coast.

CLOSE THE GAME IN WALL STREET

Cry Grows Louder Throughout Country.

TERROR IN GAMBLERS' HEARTS

Fears Congress May Put Ban on Their Dealings.

LOSING PUBLIC CONFIDENCE

Continued Agitation May Stop Flow of Gold to Metropolis—Stop to Speculation Would Put a Blight on Many Banks.

Walter Wellman in the Chicago Record-Herald.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Can Wall-street gambling be stopped by law? Probably not. But no part of President Roosevelt's recent message to Congress has elicited more approval than his suggestion that something be done, if possible, in that direction. Wherever I have been I have found business men and bankers discussing this question, and nine out of ten of them believe with President Roosevelt, that if a way can be found, the big betting shop in Wall street should be wiped out. Few believe it can be done, but there is no mistaking the earnestness of the public opinion roused by the President's words. This sentiment I have found in Cincinnati, Columbus, Detroit and Chicago, and presumably it exists throughout the country. The popular voice is so strong that it would not be surprising if it found response in some legislation at Washington making at least a start toward suppressing or minimizing the evil.

Leaders Fear Attack.

In New York, before the appearance of the President's message, I found the leaders in the financial world apprehensive that an attack on Wall street was about to be made from Washington, and they feared that it would have the support of the country. The really big men in Wall street, who are now few in number, do not fear that the Stock Exchange is to be wiped out. They know too well the legal and constitutional difficulties in the way of such consummation.

One thing they do fear is that Congress may outlaw communications by mail and telephone pointing to purely speculative transactions—gambling—which would seriously hamper the carrying on of the business and cut down the profits derived from it. In this way Congress could, if it chose, administer a hard blow to Wall street and to all the interests clustered about it.

May Dam Up Stream of Gold.

"Another thing the leaders of finance in the metropolis feared, and still fear, is that agitation against the gambling evil on the Stock Exchange will still further lessen public confidence in New York as the banking, financial and investment center of the American continent. The golden stream that constantly flows from all parts of the country into New York for deposit, loan, investment or speculation is the lifeblood of the financial city. Diminish the volume of that stream through impairment of confidence or increase of suspicion, and the result is loss, atrophy, possibly paralysis, in the metropolis. Already they are feeling the result of such impairment of confidence in New York.

City Would Shriveled Up.

Stock gambling in Wall street is an enormous business. It supports scores of thousands of persons, some of them in the height of luxury. A dozen of the biggest banks and trust companies in the metropolis would be compelled to go out of business or shrink to very small concerns if their rake-off from the stock gambling table were taken away from them. Hundreds of brokerage houses

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HARRY MURPHY ILLUMINATES WITH HIS PEN A FEW OF THE WEEK'S LEADING EVENTS



His Turn to Smile.



On the Cold and Clammy Outside.



Sad, Sad, Indeed.



With His Best Girl.



Troubles Never Come Singly.



Two Pictures of a Bank Wrecker.



With a String to It, Perhaps.