

EVIDENCE SCORES \$140,000 FEE DEAL

Charge Against Judge Hanford Almost Disproved in Inquiry.

\$53,800 MADE IN 3 YEARS

Receiver, Appointed by Jurist, Tells of Money He Cleared, and Also Relates of 'Salmon Trust' Plan Which Proved Failure.

SEATTLE, July 13.—The investigation of the House Judiciary sub-committee into the charge filed against United States District Judge Cornelius H. Hanford, that he allowed an exorbitant fee of \$140,000 to Kerr & McCord, attorneys for the receivers of the Pacific American Fisheries Company and the Pacific Packing and Navigation Company, today brought out evidence tending to disprove the charge.

James A. Kerr, who was one of the receivers of these companies, was on the witness stand nearly all day. He testified that he received \$53,800 for work that occupied him fully for three years and partially for five years more. His law partner, Evan S. McCord, received a fee of \$18,000, witness testified.

"Salmon Trust" Plan Fails. Kerr told how a plan of New York financiers to form a Pacific Coast salmon trust failed, although backed by "Morgan people." The Pacific Packing & Navigation Company purchased the property of the Pacific American Fisheries Company on Puget Sound, bought salmon canneries in Alaska and also operated steamships between Alaska and Seattle. The Pacific Packing & Navigation Company was mismanaged, witness said, and also was unfortunate.

Witness operated the canneries for two years and then they were sold at receiver's sale for a low price. The Pacific American property was bought by the former owners, Chicago packing house men, and the Alaska canneries were sold to the concern that is now the Northwestern Fisheries, a branch of the Booth Fisheries. The principal creditors of the Pacific Packing & Navigation Company when it failed were J. F. Morgan, Richard DeLafayette, of New York, and the Colonial Trust Company, of New York.

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Irrigation Deals Related. As to his association with Judge Hanford in the Hanford Irrigation and Power Company, now the property of the American Power and Light Company, and which owned the Columbia River, Kerr turned over to the committee the minute book of the Hanford company, saying it contained the history of the company.

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Strike Hurts Cannerymen. Alaska Salmon Catch Hindered by Trouble With Fishermen.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—Returning from a voyage to Southeastern Alaska on which he made visits to the fishing banks and also to various cannery ports, the fishing steamer Independent brings news of the fishermen's strike in crippling severity the salmon cannerymen around Prince of Wales Island, and that while the fish now are running well, only the canneries which have their own traps or which signed up with their fishermen in Seattle are getting the benefit of the run. Other plants virtually are idle, awaiting a settlement of the dispute over prices between the employers and the fishermen or the arrival of more fishermen from the south.

The Indians have joined the striking white fishermen in the canneries, refusing to work at the old price, but at other points the natives are out fishing.

PASCO HAS JAIL DELIVERY Four Men Held on Criminal Charges Saw Way to Freedom.

PASCO, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—After saving their way to liberty at an early hour this morning, four men who have been awaiting trial at the Fall term of the Superior Court, succeeded in getting away without being detected and have been located yesterday. The men were Bert White and John Shand, accused of robbing a merchandise car at Kahlotus; O. B. Olsen, accused of attempted forgery; and Charles Baker, accused of attempted robbery.

A bar was sawed from the cell with an improvised saw and brick were removed with the aid of a piece of wire about two inches long. All four men had been placed under \$500 bonds, which they had been unable to furnish.

Life-Saver Leaves Astoria. ASTORIA, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Captain Charles Stuart, of the Cape Disappointment life-saving crew, has received official notice of his transfer to the Newport station on Yaquina Bay, where he will succeed Captain Otto Wellander, who was recently promoted to the position of superintendent of this district. Captain Stuart's transfer is a promotion, because his new station is located closer to a town than is the one at Cape Disappointment and the work is not so severe. Captain Stuart has been keeper at Cape Disappointment for 13 years, and is considered one of the most efficient men in the service. His work there in saving lives and property has won him the thanks and approbation of the fishing and shipping interests of the Columbia.

Fisherman Drowns at Astoria. ASTORIA, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Ralph Stenberger, of this city, was drowned about 4 o'clock this morning at the Kaboth sealing grounds, where he has been employed during the season. As the men were preparing to

lay out the seine, Stenberger started to wade to the towhead, but stepped off a steep bank into the deep water. He was unable to swim and went down before help could reach him. As quickly as possible the seine was spread about the spot and the body was hauled out within 20 minutes after the accident, but all efforts to resuscitate him were futile. The dead man was about 23 years of age, and his only known relative is a brother, Robert, Stenberger, of Seattle.

FAITH CURE LEADER JAILED "Divine Healer" Gets 90 Days for Having Sore-Footed Child Tramp.

ONTARIO, Cal., July 13.—A roving band of barefoot faith-cure pilgrims was gathered today when their leader, Sampson Hughes, an alleged divine

PIONEER RESIDENT OF ASHLAND LAID IN FINAL RESTING PLACE.



Mrs. Susan A. Helman. ASHLAND, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Funeral services of Mrs. Susan A. Helman, who died in this city suddenly July 8, were held Thursday from the Methodist Episcopal Church, where a large assemblage of relatives and friends were present to pay the last tribute of respect to an esteemed member of the community. Interment was in Ashland Cemetery. Mrs. Helman was in the 66th year of her age. She was born in Ohio and came to Southern Oregon in 1871 and has been a resident of Ashland since 1884. She was twice married, her first husband having been George W. Rockfellow, who died in 1888. In 1890 she married Captain A. D. Helman, of Ashland, O., the pioneer founder of this city, who passed away in 1910.

HEALER, WAS SENT TO JAIL FOR 90 DAYS, AFTER HE HAD BEEN CONVICTED OF CRUELTY TO VERA SWANSON, A 10-YEAR-OLD GIRL, WHO IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN COMPELLED TO MARCH MANY MILES OVER COUNTRY ROADS, ALTHOUGH HER FEET HAD BEEN SEVERELY BURNED SOME TIME PREVIOUSLY.

All of Hughes' so-called patients were barefoot, and according to testimony in court, they had marched more than 500 miles about the country without foot coverings of any sort.

PASTOR'S ASSAILANT FLEES Carpenter in Quarrel With Klamath Minister Throws Him Out.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 13.—Posses are in pursuit of Charles Lilley, a carpenter, who, it is alleged, attacked Rev. J. W. Worrell, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, at Port Klamath, yesterday, throwing him down a flight of stairs, and breaking his jaw in two places. The minister is in a serious condition.

Lilley had been employed on the construction of a new church edifice, and when his work was objected to by the pastor, the men engaged in a dispute over the matter yesterday afternoon, when the alleged assault was committed.

Lilley secured a livery rig and drove to Chiloquin, where he mounted a horse, on which he started North through the wilderness toward Crescent.

Bridge Committee to Meet. VANCOUVER, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—Notices calling a special meeting for the last of the week will be sent out by Chairman James P. Stapleton to the 15 members of the Clark County highway bridge committee tomorrow. Sub-committees to collect the \$2500 already subscribed in the county toward the bridge fund will be appointed, and the plans of Builder Modjeski discussed.

Centralia Man Is Secretary. CENTRALIA, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the executive council of the Southern Washington Development Association here, E. H. S. Mulder, of Centralia, was elected financial secretary. Mr. Mulder has been filling the office temporarily for the last two months.

COTTAGE GROVE MINISTER QUILTS PASTORATE FOR CALIFORNIA.



Rev. A. S. Mason. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—After a pastorate of 20 months, Rev. A. S. Mason left yesterday to accept the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church at Patterson, Cal. Mr. Mason's pastorate here was a pleasant one and the church enjoyed prosperity under his supervision. Mrs. Mason has also been prominent in church circles of the city. Rev. Mr. Mason and family moved to the first part of November, 1910, from Redding, Cal.

EUGENE ENJOYING BUILDING ACTIVITY

Public Construction in Progress Exceeds \$1,000,000 and Increase Expected.

RAILWAY HEAVY SPENDER Methodist Church Under Construction Will Cost \$80,000 and 20 New Residences Monthly Are Being Commenced.

EUGENE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Public construction work aggregating well over \$1,000,000 in value is in progress in Eugene at this time, and the promise is for even greater building activity as the summer advances. Briefly summarized, the items on construction now under way are: Reconstruction of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern street system, 450,000; Paving of city streets and alleys, 284,800; Double trunk sewer system, 200,000; Street and commercial light system installed by the municipal plant, 50,000; Improvements to municipal water plant, 27,000; Oregon Electric track estimated, 60,000; Oregon Electric depots, 30,000.

The figures given for the Portland, Eugene & Eastern work do not include the price paid for the block on which depots are to be located, nor do they include the cost of depots, since plans for these have not been announced. They do cover, however, the reconstruction of the greater part of the old streetcar system, and the addition of a new transit-city line on Blair and Eighth streets.

The old single track on Willamette street through the business section has been replaced with 72-pound steel rails. Eleven and a half street single track will like be replaced with 100-pound steel rails. The new city limits to Alder street, making a total of 10,800 feet to be changed. On East Thirteenth, through the University of Oregon campus, some 3500 feet of single track is being relaid with heavier steel.

New Trackage Large. Of the new construction there will be 9000 feet of double track on Blair and Eighth streets, and 1200 feet of new double track on West Eleventh street just at the city limits. This double track on Eighth street is laid as far east as First, from which point it is single, thence continuing to the eastern part of the city, where it will connect with the present line to Springfield, requiring 7400 feet of track.

Altgether there will be over 32,000 feet of railroad constructed by one company, all of which is first-class construction, with rails imbedded in concrete.

Paving contracts covering 25,800 linear feet of streets and alleys have been let this year, and work is in progress now. In addition there are 11,800 feet of streets on which the City Engineer has not completed his plans sufficiently to call for bids for construction. At an average cost of \$8 a linear foot, the total outlay of the year for paving will be something like \$284,800.

Elaborate plans for a complete drainage system for the city are contemplated in the scheme that will, most likely, be presented to the City Council Monday evening. Two hundred

thousand dollars has been authorized for this project. Work on the municipal street lighting and commercial distributing system is nearly completed, but a new and larger water main across the city is yet to be laid. The pipe was received the past week. The improvements include a new pump with a daily capacity of 2,000,000 gallons.

Work is now in progress on a \$5000 freight shed for the Oregon Electric, and contracts will be let soon for a \$15,000 passenger station for the same company. By the last of this week the Oregon Electric will have crews at work laying the line in the streets, including the 18-block loop that circles the business center of the town.

In addition to this work of a public nature, there is now under course of construction the new Methodist church, which will cost \$80,000, and four business houses at about \$10,000 each, bringing the total value of construction under way up to nearly \$1,250,000. An average of 20 new residences are being begun each month, and the total of building permits for the first six months of this year is \$282,648, as compared with \$258,438 for the first six months of 1911, and \$227,748 for the first half of 1910.

GOVERNORS TO MEET WESTERN ASSOCIATION SESSION IS AT BOISE. West Heads Programme With Address on Convict Reformation. Hawley to Speak on Roads.

BOISE, Idaho, July 13.—(Special.)—The conference of the Association of Western Governors to be held in Boise, August 1, 2 and 3, will bring together for the first time in the history of the West the most distinguished Chief Executives of the Western States and elaborate preparations are being made for their reception. Governor Edwin L. Norris, of Montana, has issued the official programme of the conference, a copy of which was received by Governor James H. Hawley. Eleven Governors will speak.

The programme announced by Governor Norris is as follows: "Employment and Reformation of Convicts," Governor Oswald West, of Oregon; "The Good Roads Factor in Western Development," Governor James H. Hawley, of Idaho; "What the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Means to the Whole West," Governor Hiram W. Johnson, of California; "Entertaining the Exposition Visitor on His Journey Through the West," Governor Tasker L. Odell, of Nevada; "Conservation of Water Power," Governor John F. Shafroth, of Colorado; "State Supervision of Investments," Governor Marion E. Hay, of Washington; "Reclamation of Arid Lands," Governor Joseph M. Carey, of Wyoming; "Taxation," Governor Chester H. Aldrich, of Nebraska; "Best Methods of Reclaiming a State's Resources," Governor John Burke, of North Dakota; "Storage and Use of Flood Waters," Governor William Spry, of Utah; "Western Investments and Securities," Governor Robert S. Vessey, of South Dakota.

INDIAN WOMEN GIVE TALKS Survivor of Chief Joseph's Band Addresses Campmeeting.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 13.—(Special.)—For the first time in the history of the Nez Percé Indian tribe, women have been called to a platform to speak on religious matters. Wives of the most prominent Indians were called to the floor the night of the closing of the campmeeting which closed yesterday at Mason Butte.

His Hearing Was Restored. Veteran Could Not Hear His Beloved Bugle. Tells How Deafness Was Overcome.

BOISE, Idaho, July 13.—(Special.)—A picture of Henry Farrar, a Civil War veteran who is a natural born musician, and whose bugle has led troops to many a victory, with the approach of old age and the friction of various disorders, he gradually became more and more deaf until he could not hear his own bugle which he had been accustomed to play on various occasions throughout the year. He also became harassed with those head noises which so often accompany the advancement of deafness. This infirmity distressed Mr. Farrar greatly. He is a man of activity despite his age—in fact, he looks much younger than the 70 years of age he is.

Mr. Farrar is so delighted with the manner in which he was liberated from the thralldom of deafness and head-noises, as well as the way in which his health was generally improved, that he is giving information about this wonderful treatment to all who write him. He has nothing to sell, but he will cheerfully send full particulars of how his own hearing was restored, and will tell how others may get the same treatment. Persons of all ages—men, women and children—have followed the information given by Mr. Farrar, and many cures of deafness have been reported after all else has failed. To obtain the desired information it is only necessary to write to Mr. Henry A. Farrar, 258 A. Main Street, Hanover, Mass., enclosing a stamped envelope for reply.

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