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JURY DISCHARGED IN WILLIS TRIAL

Jurors Deadlock in Perjury Trial in Circuit Court

ANOTHER TRIAL LIKELY

Case Goes to Jury After Ten Days and That Body Out For 47 Hours

The jury in the U. B. Willis perjury trial was unable to agree and was dismissed from consideration of the case at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon by Judge George R. Bagley. The case went to the jury at 4 p. m. Friday, and the body was said to be deadlocked from the first at seven to five. Willis is a for-hire car driver at Tillamook.

Trial Long One

The trial started November 17 and the case actually took ten days before going to the jury. Walter Toose and William Vinton were attorneys for the defense, and District Attorney E. B. Tongue and Deputy Paul Patterson conducted the prosecution. The district attorney indulged in personalities to such an extent that Tongue drew a warning from Judge Bagley to keep to the case or it would be dismissed.

Members of the jury in the case were George E. Meacham, William Finigan, David Hagg, Myrtle F. Hoover, Myrtle Livermore, J. H. Wescott, John Parson, Bessie V. Crabtree, Mabel Alexander, Estella Hamel, G. A. Plieth and John R. Badley.

The trial was one of the most expensive conducted in circuit court for some time because of the number of witnesses and the time required. Deputy Patterson said Willis would be tried again on the perjury count.

Willis was acquitted July 3 of a charge of manslaughter, after the jury had been out 14 hours. It was in connection with this trial that the perjury indictment was returned. Willis was alleged to have driven an automobile while intoxicated and to have caused the death of John P. Duffy, 76, of Portland, in an automobile accident on the highway near Tigard, May 21.

Herbert Mitchell waived a grand jury indictment on a charge of larceny and was fined \$100. An order revoking the parole of J. Whitlow was given.

Orders were given as follows: Floyd D. Moore vs. Virginia Taylor; Beulah Kearney vs. Walter Taylor; Juanita Hender vs. Zola H. Hedge; Phyllis Faye Oden vs. Zola H. Hedge; State Industrial Accident Commission vs. John T. Gaffney; Elwood Lumber Co. vs. J. E. Reeves et al; John A. Mulford vs. Maude E. Mulford, and Leslie Long vs. Claud Cook et ux.

The jury trial of H. J. Buffire (Continued on page twelve)

Traffic Charges Result in Fines

Arnold Brandenburg, of Oreoc, Tuesday pleaded guilty to a charge of speeding, and Judge Henry Kuralt revoked his driver's license until March 5. J. Grabovac and M. Grabovac were both fined \$10 for overloading their trucks. On a charge of driving with improper lights, L. B. Hollenbeck was fined \$15.

Hillsboro Named for David Hill, Member of Provisional Government Established at Champog in 1843

CHAPTER VIII

Hillsboro and David Hill One of the outstanding leaders of the Tualatin Plains and the Oregon country was David Hill. When the Provisional government of the Oregon country, established at Champog in 1843, was headed by an executive committee instead of a governor, Hill was a member of that body. Hillsboro, formerly spelled Hillsborough, was named after this great community leader. Very little is known concerning the details of his life. His death came while he was but a young man.

Born in Connecticut in 1800, Mr. Hill came to the Oregon country in 1842. He settled at the site of Hillsboro, where he took up a donation land claim, in 1847, it is believed. Because of his early death and the remarriage of his widow, the claim is filed under the name of Simmons. In 1847 he represented Tualatin in the provisional legislature. The Oregon City Spectator for January 19, 1849, mentions "Hillsborough" and states that Abraham Sulzer had a store at the site. Another reference is made to "Hillsborough" in the Spectator on January 10, 1850. During the month of April, 1850, the paper mentions Mr. Hill as postmaster of Tualatin Plains. His death came on May 9, 1850.

In the very early days the Hillsboro community was known as East

New Ford to Be Exhibited Here On December 15

The new Ford car will be shown in Hillsboro next Thursday from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m., according to an announcement made in this paper by H. L. MacKenzie of the MacKenzie Motor company.

The moving pictures of the new car, the manufacture and the assembly, which were shown in Hillsboro Friday for the first time in the state, were shown to 1,000 persons in the two showings at the Venetian. Another group of 350 went through the show rooms to see the pictures of the car. Mr. MacKenzie is very enthusiastic about the reception of the new car.

The new cars were viewed by 31,750 people at the Ford assembly plant in Portland Friday. Among the 350 waiting in line at 8 for the opening were H. C. Hill, L. J. Merrill and L. T. McPheeters, who went down with Mr. MacKenzie. Cars were shown at Klamath Falls, Eugene, Salem and Pendleton to 76,548 people. Throughout the state the pictures of the car in the Ford show rooms were seen by 115,000.

LEGION TO ELECT OFFICERS TUESDAY

H. J. Langoe of Portland to Talk on Americanization at Post Meeting

Officers for 1928 will be elected by Hillsboro post of the American Legion Tuesday night at the Veterans' hall. Nominations made November 9 are as follows: W. H. Dierdorf, commander; Dr. Ralph Dresser, first vice-commander; Ray Dunham, second vice-commander; Frank Blewett, adjutant; L. J. Merrill, finance officer; Sam Nelson and Henry Kanna, sergeant-at-arms; Verne McKinney, historian; Fred Engeldinger, chaplain, and H. L. MacKenzie, Charles Jones, Morris Weil, B. L. Adams, Robert Busch and Burt Willeford, executive committee.

"America and the Immigrant" will be the subject of an address by H. J. Langoe, executive secretary of the Portland Americanization Council, at the post meeting. The program has been arranged by Leon Davis.

Chamber to Hear Reports Tonight

Reports by the highway committee on the results of the petition to the state highway commission for the widening of the highway from the Multnomah county line to Forest Grove and by the retail trade committee, which arranged the Buy-In-Hillsboro week, will be given at the meeting of the chamber of commerce tonight at 8 o'clock. The board of directors will meet at 7.

Tualatin Plains, while Forest Grove was originally known as West Tualatin Plains. With William Doughty, another Washington county citizen, Mr. Hill served on the legislative committee whose duty it was to report a form of law for the new commonwealth of Oregon.

J. L. Meek, also of Washington county and the Tualatin Plains, was made sheriff in the Provisional government of the new commonwealth in 1843.

The organic law of the Provisional government was adopted by the people on July 5, 1843. The convention elected David Hill and Joseph Gale, both of the Tualatin Plains, as members of the executive committee. This showed that the pioneer citizens of the community played an important part in the formation of the government of Oregon. Alanson Beers was the third member of the executive committee.

In the first general election held May 14, 1844, Mr. Hill was elected to the legislature under the provisional government. In the election for June 3, 1845, Mr. Hill with M. M. McCarver and J. Smith, was elected to the legislative committee from the Tualatin district. He took an active part in the early politics of the Oregon country.

Formerly the county seat was known as Columbia. In a letter addressed to S. R. Thurston, Oregon (Continued on page seven)

BUILDING PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL GIVEN

Millage of Only 3.2 Would Build Structure

WOULD MEAN BIG SAVING

Complete Plan for Future Would Save About \$15,000 Over Unit Plan

The complete building program for the union high school district No. 3 can be taken care of with a millage of 3.2 mills over a period of 15 years, according to figures submitted to the district board, representatives from the outside districts and a few business men, at a meeting here last night by James A. Wood, clerk of the district.

Means Saving

The structure as outlined by F. Marion Stokes, architect, would take care of the increasing needs of the district for a long period of years. The saving of building the complete structure over the unit plan would amount to from \$12,000 to \$15,000, it was pointed out. Experience has pointed out, according to the various speakers, that it is economy to have a building, sufficiently large, that it will not be necessary to come back to the taxpayers for an increase every year or so.

The average millage of 3.2 would take care of the interest and retire the principal on a \$175,000 bond issue in 15 years. Figures read from the report of the state superintendent of schools on school costs throughout the state show there would be a lower millage here than in the majority of school districts.

Clerk Wood submitted figures to show that the per capita cost in this union district is much lower than the average.

The figures as given did not take into consideration the increased revenue in tuition from the larger number of students from districts outside the union school boundaries, which would naturally result.

Outsiders Approve

All of the men present agreed that it would be a mistake, that would cost the district thousands of dollars, if the board were to handle the problem on a hand to mouth basis, or in other words, the unit plan. The unit plan, because of the steady increase in enrollment, would not be feasible.

The board is particularly anxious to secure advice from taxpayers about the problem.

HILLSBORO PAIR WED FIFTY YEARS

Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Robinson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Batchelar, with a family dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are pioneers. They were married December 2, 1877, at the home of Mrs. Robinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCormick, at Laurel, and have made their home in Washington county ever since. They lived at Farmington until about six years ago, when they moved to Hillsboro.

Mr. Robinson was born in Iowa, January 25, 1852, and crossed the plains with his parents by ox-train to California in 1859. They came to Oregon in 1868, and settled at Farmington. Mrs. Robinson's parents crossed the plains to Oregon in 1859, and settled at Roseburg, where Mrs. Robinson was born on May 3, 1860.

They are the parents of six children, Mrs. Martha Hull of Gaston; Mrs. Viola Heater of Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Clara Atterbury of Hillsboro; Walter Robinson of Marysville, Cal.; Mrs. Elva Batchelar and Marvin Robinson of Hillsboro. The children and their families, with the exception of Walter, were all present at the dinner, the table being set for 20.

Friends and relatives called in the afternoon to offer congratulations.

Tax Lien Is Not Regular Says Suit

An injunction, restraining the sheriff from selling property known as the Mitchell Lumber company mill at Buxton and a warehouse at Banks, is asked in a suit filed by the Elwood Lumber company against J. E. Reeves, sheriff and tax collector, Earl C. Miller, deputy sheriff and tax collector, and Judge E. J. Ward. The complaint alleges that the county took possession of the property on a supposed lien for unpaid personal taxes, which the plaintiff says was not personal property at the time taxes for 1925 were levied.

Golf League For High Schools of County in Favor

Considerable enthusiasm is being shown in the formation of a Washington county interscholastic golf league, according to William Benjamin, professional at the Forest Hills club near Blooming. All interested high school athletes are urged to turn out at the court Saturday. The plan is to start in early so that the boys may get in good shape.

Leonard Alley at Gaston, I. R. Metzler at Beaverton, B. M. Goodman at Hillsboro, and H. P. McGlasson at Forest Grove, all high school heads, have expressed favor with the plan of interscholastic golf competition.

The fairways and greens in most every case are much better than in the fall, according to William Martin, proprietor, who says that the number of people playing for this time of year is exceptional.

Wills Johnston, principal of the Banks union high, is very enthusiastic about the plan and will send some of his athletes over Saturday. Tigard union high will probably also be represented.

EMPLOY ARCHITECT FOR COURT HOUSE

Four Year Millage Yields Sum of Approximately \$110,000 for Building

O. A. W. Hossack, Portland architect, was Thursday employed by the county court to prepare plans and supervise the construction of the new court house. Construction will probably be started as soon as the weather permits in the spring or as soon as arrangements can be made.

Raise Main Section

A one mill tax put on the budget three years ago, together with this year, will bring the building fund up to approximately \$110,000. The old or main section of the court house will be razed to make room for the new structure, which will probably be of the same architecture and construction as the annex.

Lack of room has hampered the county officials in the conduct of the business affairs of the county to the point where offices are crowded and facilities for taking care of valuable records are lacking. The tax collection department is particularly crowded and the destruction of records in this department would result in the loss of thousands of dollars to the county.

May Move Jail

The trouble in going back and forth for prisoners may result in a separate building for the jail or provision for the bastle on the lower floor instead of the third, where it is now located. An outside structure with a guard fence will probably result.

It may be necessary to house the various departments in the old section of the court house in office buildings during the period of construction. Considerable thought is being given to providing room for holding circuit court.

David Hill's log house was first used as a court house. In 1852 a frame structure was built at a cost of \$3,500. This frame building is now occupied by the Emmott Bros. Market. The first unit of the present structure was built in 1870 at a cost of \$15,000 and the second in 1891 at \$20,000.

Axe Theft Results In Arrest Friday

Herbert Mitchell was arrested Friday by Deputy Sheriff Weckert on a charge of larceny and placed in the county jail. He later pleaded guilty in court to the theft of a \$2 axe from Theodore Schommer on Cooper Mountain. Deputy Weckert said that Mitchell tried to sell the axe to a neighbor. Investigation by Deputy Oscar Duley showed that the man was a veteran of the World war.

Leon Beckwith was arrested Friday on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

No Longer Skeptical Of Argus Ads

G. A. Kempfer of Scholla was skeptical as to the results to be obtained from the use of Argus classified advertising. Mrs. Kempfer felt differently about it, however, and after the insertion of one little ad, costing 25 cents, to sell two grade Guernsey bull calves, Mr. Kempfer is thoroughly sold.

The ad was inserted in the Argus several weeks ago, and within a day after the paper was distributed the calves had been sold and four persons, who came afterwards, had to be turned down. The calves sold for breeding purposes for \$26 and the selling cost was 25 cents.

AMERICAN LEGION TO PRESENT SHOW

Annual Benefit at Venetian Next Thursday Evening

LOCAL PEOPLE IN CAST

Mrs. Stannard Is Director of "Love 'Em and Leave 'Em" and Weil Manager

Hillsboro Post No. 6 of the American Legion will present its annual benefit show at the Venetian theater next Thursday night at 8:15. "Love 'Em and Leave 'Em" is the title of the play and Mrs. H. Stannard is the director and Jake Weil is the business manager.

Veterans Sell Tickets

Tickets may be secured from any member of the legion and at Weil's Department Store, The Argus, Malibu, Delta Drug store, Shute Savings bank, MacKenzie Motor Co., Service Garage and Sanitary Beauty Shop. In previous years the play has been presented on two nights, but this year it has been changed to one night only. The play is the first home talent affair of the year. Members of the legion will be on the door and usher.

The cast includes well known Hillsboro people for the most part, who have had considerable experience in amateur theatricals. The play is an up-to-date three-act comedy that had a run of three years in New York city.

Cast of Characters

Lem Woodruff, sporty middle aged man—Art Miltenberger; Ma Woodruff, Lem's wife, and a boarding house landlady—Mrs. Fred Caldwell; Kenyon, big and dumb—James Peppard; Jim Somers, a dapper youth—William Dierdorf; Janie Walsh, flapper clerk, and treasurer of the welfare club—Miss Agnes Maltman; Billingsley, a likable, wise cracking N. Y. clerk—Robert Kelly; Mame Walsh, sister of Janie, plain and sincere—Fannie Konigan; Mrs. Streeter, business supervisor, aged 35—Mrs. Reynold Chapman; Mr. McGonigle, director of morals in store—B. L. Adams; Aiken, director of store play—Leon Davis.

The play concerns two sisters who are making their way in the world. The stronger of the two dramatically saves the day by shooting craps with a confirmed gambler, winning enough money to get her sister out of trouble. The "slow and dumb" Kenyon and the snappy Jimmy, together with the old boarding house keeper, Ma Woodruff, Billingsley and Miss Streeter make the whole show snap along with rapid-fire action. Dramatic moments, gales of laughter, and lots of "pop" sum up the contents of "Love 'Em and Leave 'Em."

ASK RAILROAD TO PROVIDE SIGNALS

Safety of Public Sought by Council; Lighting Amendment Discussed

The Southern Pacific was asked to provide bell signals at Sixth and Baseline and Sixth and Oak streets for the protection of the traveling public, in a resolution passed by the city council Tuesday night.

The charter amendment to provide for street lighting districts was discussed at length by the councilmen. It was pointed out that in most places the property owners handle the installation and maintenance over a period of five years, and after that it is taken care of by the general fund. Several of the councilmen favored putting this on a ten-year basis. The method of assessing, whether by frontage or area, was brought up. The charter change election will probably not come up for some little time.

A bond ordinance of \$8,000 covering the macadam improvements for the year were passed.

Large Quantity of Wine Discovered

Charles H. Christensen of Sherwood was arrested Tuesday, charged with liquor possession. Deputy Sheriff Virgil Weckert, Oscar Duley and John Kamberger were the arresting officers. Officers say that they found approximately 225 gallons of wine and beer. Christensen works in Portland and has a small farm near Sherwood.

Harris Stimpson was taken into custody Saturday night at Shady-side on a drunk and possession charge by Officers Schendel and McMahon. Grant Hartley was arrested at Patton Valley Sunday on advices from Eugene, where he was wanted on a larceny charge.

John Hare Wins Teammates' Vote For Rotary Cup

John Hare, Hillsboro union high school junior, and son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Hare, was Thursday voted the greatest inspiration to his teammates during the football season by members of the Hillhi football squad, and was presented with the Rotary club cup at the luncheon Thursday.

The Rotary club each year entertains the members of the football squad, and the cup is presented to the youth who is honored by his companions. M. H. Stevenson presented the cup to John Hare and said that the honor was greater than that of being picked out as the greatest star. Young Hare displayed his sportsmanship by urging that the cup go to Wynne MacManiman.

Will Enschede was chairman and speakers were W. G. Hare, who was described as being the mascot of the team, Coach B. M. Goodman, and Wynne MacManiman and John Hare of the team.

HOTEL MANAGER IS LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Opportunity for Service Is Stressed by Childs; Utility Man to Speak

The opportunity for service in chamber of commerce work was stressed by R. W. Childs, manager of the Multnomah hotel of Portland, before chamber members at the forum luncheon Monday. Glenn F. Bell was chairman.

Mr. Childs said the brotherhood of man was greater in the smaller towns. The Portlander said that he could see more than plain buildings when he went into a town, that he considers the people behind the buildings or the spirit of men. He told of his experiences in the hotel business that have been inspirational to him.

S. C. Skelley, manager of the investment department of the Portland Gas & Coke Co., the Pacific Power & Light and the Northwest Electric, will speak next Monday and George McFall of the local office will be chairman.

The members voted to change the Christmas luncheon from 12 o'clock to 6:30, Monday, December 19. There will be a Christmas tree and a number of business men will probably give some presents. A collection for the girls of the domestic science class of the high school, who wait on the tables for the luncheons every Monday for nothing, was taken up for Christmas presents, and netted \$12.30.

Music was furnished by Stanley Hubbard and Oscar Munson.

Cornelius School Interests Farmers

Farmers are showing considerable interest in the agricultural classes that are being held in Cornelius every Tuesday evening, according to C. R. LaFollette of Cornelius, who was in Hillsboro Wednesday. The attendance Tuesday night was large.

The feeding and housing of poultry was discussed by F. E. Gilliam of the Sperry Flour company of Portland. He also answered several questions put by poultrymen. Feeding of dairy cows was discussed and several dairymen gave talks on the care of cows to ward off milk fever. The price of dairy feeds in regards to their relative value was discussed.

Several musical numbers were given by the Forest Grove high school quartet.

The school is creating quite a bit of interest in the community, and if it continues, the teacher, R. N. Adams of Forest Grove, will be compelled to secure a larger place in which to conduct the school.

January 1 Is Last Day for War Bonus

Warning that World war veterans stand to lose all rights to the Federal adjusted compensation "bonus" unless they act before January 1st, was voiced by Col. J. P. O'Neil, in announcing the opening of an information center at the U. S. army recruiting offices, 209 Kraemer building, Second and Washington streets, Portland, to aid veterans in filing applications. The application blanks may be obtained from the American Legion.

According to Colonel O'Neil, any honorably discharged veteran who served in the army, navy or marine corps for more than 60 days between April 5, 1917, and July 1, 1919, providing he began his service before the armistice, is eligible for the benefits of the adjusted compensation law. To be valid applications must be filed on or before January 1, 1928.

HUNDREDS ATTEND GOOD WILL SESSION

People of Community Guests of Business Men

WEEK DECLARED SUCCESS

Many Feel Buy-In-Hillsboro Week Biggest Advertising Stunt Pulled Here

More than a thousand persons attended the good will party and celebration Friday night at the Shute Park auditorium as guests of the Hillsboro business institutions sponsoring the Buy-In-Hillsboro Week. Every seat in the big auditorium was occupied and standing room was at a premium.

That every one of the guests from far and near enjoyed themselves goes without saying, for the reception of the program and the crowded dance floor after the program indicated this. Nearly every section of Washington county was represented and sentiment seemed to be that it was the biggest and best event ever staged by the business men and the Hillsboro chamber of commerce.

R. W. Weil, president of the chamber of commerce, welcomed the visitors and expressed appreciation of their co-operation. Jake Weil, chairman of the retail trade committee, acted as chairman of the program. Ed L. Moore, secretary, arranged the program, which was one of the best ever put on in Hillsboro.

Mrs. V. W. Gardner, talented local vocalist, sang several vocal solos with Mrs. J. B. Benn playing the violin obligato and Mrs. Charles Walker as piano accompanist. This number was well received and endorsed, as were all the numbers. Other program numbers were Marcellus and Nash, a musical act, accordion and banjo; Helen Hembree, reader and impersonator, formerly with the Ellison-White chautauque; Portland Telephone quartet; El Lindquist's eight-piece orchestra; Hillsboro L. O. O. F. drum corps, and a drill by the headquarters company, 2nd battalion, 162nd infantry. The Odd Fellows' drum corps was a snappy outfit that showed considerable practice. The guard company, commanded by First Lt. Ivan C. Freeman, went through the manual of arms and did some exhibition marching and drilling.

The guard company, with Lieut. Freeman and Sergeant Ray Dillon leading sections, conducted the grand march, which was headed by President and Mrs. Weil of the Chamber and Mayor M. P. Cady and Mrs. E. L. Moore. Everyone joined in the dancing until 12 o'clock and an old fashioned Paul Jones added to the frivolity.

Business men, representing the organizations, which financed the week and entertainment, acted as a reception committee.

The response of the people in the Hillsboro trade area to the Buy-In-Hillsboro week was, in general, very good in the opinion of business men, who feel that it proved to a great many, who do not make all their purchases here, that it could be done just as cheap, or cheaper, and as satisfactory here as in the metropolises. Merchants and business men were stimulated to greater effort toward service and price.

Many feel that the advertising received through the papers and discussion made Buy-In-Hillsboro week one of the biggest advertising features ever pulled off in the county seat.

"I am very well pleased with the success of the event," declared Jake Weil, chairman of the retail trade committee of the chamber. "I feel that it should be repeated next year on a bigger scale and earlier in the fall."

D. A. Kramer, manager of the Miller Mercantile company, and a member of the retail trade committee, expressed the opinion that it was well worth the effort, that the discussion and advertising was invaluable and that the event should be held earlier next year.

Erickson Elected Beaverton Mayor

Otto Erickson, automobile man, was elected mayor of Beaverton in the city election Tuesday. H. A. Alexander and M. W. Manning were elected councilmen and George Thyng is the new recorder-treasurer. The vote was a victory for the "regular" candidates over the "progressive" ticket. Erickson has served as mayor of Beaverton on several other occasions.

J. W. Raynard and A. E. Wilson are the holdover members of the council.