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MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1905.

MAY NOT CONVICT CONGRESSMEN.

It begins to look like the government is not over-confident in its ability to convict many of those persons indicted in the land fraud cases. A dispatch in Sunday's papers evidently emanating from Henry is to the effect that while there is a strong case against Senator Mitchell, there is no little anxiety on the part of the government in regard to its ability to convict Congressman Hermann. The government's counsel says "great difficulty has been experienced in getting hold of evidence that will carry conviction to a jury. The evidence so far accumulated tends to show that Hermann was in hearty sympathy with many propositions advanced by Senator Mitchell, and that he repeatedly acted in accordance with Mitchell's request, often when the law hardly justified, but no proof has yet been produced to show that Hermann received money from Mitchell or from any other person for becoming a party to Mitchell's schemes, and lack of this very evidence is the weak spot in the Government's case."

It is further stated that "the Government has an inkling of the defense which Congressman Williamson will make, and is somewhat concerned. It is feared that he and his partner may be able to show that whatever money was loaned to settlers was loaned by Gesner, and that Williamson had no knowledge of it. It is further feared that it may be shown that title to the lands in question does not now rest with Williamson or his partner. In this event this case will collapse. The indictment of Mitchell, Hermann and Williamson for conspiracy in connection with the proposed Blue Mountain forest reserve is not regarded as a strong one. Much is yet needed in the way of evidence to strengthen the Government's contention."

Mr. Heney stated that no attempt would be made to involve Senator Fulton in the land fraud cases. It is understood that several Federal officials in Oregon and men prominent in business circles and in politics will be included in the new list of indictments.

BOWDEN—THE FLORIDA FLYER.

The present hero of the auto world, on account of his remarkable performance at the recent International Races at Ormond is Mr. H. L. Bowden. To him belongs the honor of having gone the fastest known mile ever traveled, in 32 4-5 seconds, or a rate of 110 miles an hour. Mr. Bowden in making this record took a flying start of three miles. By the time he crossed the automatic starting tape his speed was like that of a projectile thrown from a heavy gun. His great white machine fairly leaped into space, annihilating distance and going faster than the wind. So fast did the ponderous machine move that it was impossible to recognize it of the brown clad figure seated at the wheel with eyes peering the distance and steering good and true. Never once did the great machine swerve from the track, but steadily it moved and in a twinkling the report of a pistol shot announced the completion of the mile trial and the six watches showed that but 32 4-5 seconds had elapsed between the start and the finish of this, the greatest feat in the annals of automobilism.

The Ormond coast is now recognized as the finest racing surface the world over. The beach here is thirty miles long, almost straightway, and at low tide is 500 ft. broad. It is hard, just the right hardness for speed, and no matter how cut up it may get, the next tide that comes in pounds it back into perfect shape again.

When a footpad approaches you seize him by the center of the arm and press your thumb violently against a nerve in the inner elbow joint. The footpad will then probably shoot five bullet holes in you while he shrieks with pain. This is jiu jitsu.

MONEY FOR "FLOWER WIZARD"

It has been announced that the sum of \$10,000 allotted by the trustees of the Carnegie Institute to Luther Burbank, the California agriculturist, will be paid to him in annual installments of \$1,000. This sum will enable Burbank to devote his entire attention for that period to experiments with new grasses and vegetables and it is expected that he will relinquish temporarily his business interests.

Many important discoveries have been made by the Californian at his home in Santa Rosa during the past twenty-five years. He has worked along the line of seeking imperfect products in fruits, flowers, etc., in order to make them of full value. He claims there is "no weed which is not sooner or later respond liberally to good cultivation and persistent selections." Recently Burbank discovered a fadeless flower.

Quite a number of miners and prospectors have gone into the Bohemia mines owing to the extremely mild weather. This has been a very open season in Bohemia, and there is very little snow at present. It is evident, if the mild weather continues any length of time, there will not be enough water to run the various mills. For this reason the Oregon Securities Company is contemplating a steam plant at an early date. The Vesuvius has a steam plant so that the work will not be handicapped at this property.

"The Power of Music," a beautiful poem written by Aldon Harness, a well known young man of Roseburg, is being published in many of the state papers, it having appeared in the daily Portland Telegram and daily Eugene Register early last week. It is an Oregon poem which promises to take a place alongside of Sam Simpson's famous "Beautiful Willamette." Mr. Harness has just issued a little booklet containing this and many other original poems, which he is selling readily at 15 cents a copy.

The Corvallis Gazette tells of Rube Kiger, who used to operate an ice house at that place in the early '90s and who says that each year there is a marked change in the climate, and that the winters are growing milder. They must be, for a man would starve to death in Western Oregon now if he depended for a living upon putting up natural ice.

The fighting at Mukden was of that terribly fierce nature that makes the world stand aghast at the loss of life and the terrible destruction of property in modern warfare. Oyama's strategy holds the admiration of the world. He has again defeated the flower of Russia's army in Manchuria on a battlefield of the Russian general's own choosing.

It is reported that Coos Bay farmers are out in their orchards with long poles, knocking off the apples left over from last year, to give the buds on the trees a chance to come out. This is not getting ahead of the Umpqua valley farmers. They have to do the same thing over at Yoncalla, some of the apples still being good eating.

Speaking of inside tips, they are telling a story of a little boy and the Christian Scientist. The boy was complaining of an ache in his stomach, when the Christian Scientist told him he wasn't ill at all—that he just imagined he was. "But I know better," said the boy, "I've got inside information."

Let Albany be the horse center trading point of the valley, says Editor Nutting of the Democrat. He probably meant to say "let Albany be the horse trading center of the valley." He must have a balky, spavined old crpw-bait to trade.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick is said to have secreted, beyond the reach of creditors, fully \$1,000,000 and jewels thought to be worth \$50,000.

There are fourteen white women in Portland the wives of darkies. Neither white women or black women will associate with them.

The people of a county invest their money well when they put it into good roads and bridges, judiciously expended.

Myrtle Point has received its first shipment of sauerkraut and Editor Roberts is happy.

The receiver for the Chadwick estate is named Loser. So is each individual creditor.

Russia's defense is that no constitution could stand the strain.

City Marshal's Notice

All parties within the city of Roseburg are hereby notified to clean up all streets, alleys and yards of all rubbish every kind within ten days of this date. All parties failing to comply with this notice will be taken before the city recorder and fined.

March 1, 1905. D. J. JARVIS, City Marshal.

Portland Centennial Notes.

Utah will spend \$30,000 in exhibiting her resources and industries at the fair. The fire department at the fair is now practicing daily, and making tests of water pressure. The department has a fully equipped station and is able to cope with any blaze.

Hundreds of carloads of exhibits for the fair have already arrived and more come every day. The cars are brought into the grounds by way of a spur and are unloaded, the contents being stored in the finished exhibits palaces.

The electrical display at the fair will be one of the most unique and attractive ever planned for a like enterprise. No expenses has been spared to make this feature most attractive.

Ornate staff work now in process on the Bridge of Nations at the fair, will give the structure the appearance of an arched bridge of the most beautiful design. The bridge is over 2,000 feet long connecting the mainland to the Government Peninsula.

Several hundred Burlington people are planning to visit the fair in July, in order to be present at the sessions of the American Librarian's annual meeting, which will be held in Portland from July 2 to 7.

The Union Pacific railroad is soon to issue an attractive folder regarding the fair, which will be distributed widely throughout the east and middle west. Several other roads have issued, or will issue similar pamphlets.

Boys Should Not Be Sold Pistols

I do really think that pistols should not be sold to boys for it is putting temptation into their hands. For instance if a pistol had not been sold to Adolph Weber do you think he could have committed the terrible crimes which he did? No indeed, I think you will agree with me dear readers that it would not have been such an easy task for him, (that is if he is guilty.)

I do think it wrong and that there should be a law against selling pistols to young boys. I have seen young boys go around with a pistol stuck in their hip pocket. I suppose that they think it makes a man of them, but if they only knew how foolish it looks to flourish them they would not do it.

To see them shoot at a bird or at a mark or something so carelessly makes me shudder. Some boys have terrible tempers and if they had that deadly weapon in reach, and then would get angry at one of their playmates or anybody, it would be quite tempting for them to use it, when if they did not have the pistol in a few minutes their passion would be over, and they would be free from the guilt which would stamp their lives forever.

I think there is many a crime committed in a fit of passion.

I think this world would have been better off if a pistol had never been invented.

A Mother.

(There is a state law prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons and any man or boy violating this law is liable to arrest and a heavy fine.—Ed.)

Musings.

Paid your taxes yet?
Are you "knocking"?
Have you written those letters East?
Do you belong to the Commercial Club?

Have you bought that new spring hat yet?
Are you aiding the improvement movement?
Have you cleaned up your back yard and alley?
Spring military is budding and will soon be in full bloom?

Associate with men of good judgment, if their good judgment will permit.
Are you saving your choicest products for the Lewis and Clark Exposition?

Is your lawn presentable to the visitors that have now begun to come?
"Vice is contagious," and so few of us have been successfully vaccinated.

Are you a subscriber to Southern Oregon's best semi-weekly newspaper—the Plaindealer?
It is called that Russia was not surprised at the stories of Kuroptkin's defeat. Neither was Japan.

Is he a good lawyer? We should say! he knows how ever law on the statute books can be evaded.
He used to be a newsboy and now he is in the legislature. That's just what you might expect shooting craps to lead to.

Strange world—some people get mad when their hair is mussed and others get mad because they have none to muss.
Two empty whiskey barrels in Corvallis last week attracted a great deal of attention, and it is said several men secured satisfaction in smelling at the bung holes.

When a grumbling citizen asked the editor why in the world he didn't tell the truth in his paper if only for one week, the editor excused himself by saying: "Because, if we did the next grand jury would indict you on at least six different counts."

A knight of the grip, struck Prairie City about breakfast time and with much gusto and self importance seated himself to his hash and coffee, says the Miner. All went well until prodding around the dish of mystery, when with his fork he revealed the torn and tattered piece of a shirt. With feeling crushed and indignation on the quiver he formally filed a protest, with a courteous writer, who informed him that his complaint was not well taken, and if he expected to get a good new shirt with a two-bit dish of hash he had struck the wrong camp.

Invaluable for Rheumatism
I have been suffering for the past few years with a severe attack of rheumatism and found that Ballard's Snow Liniment was the only thing that gave me satisfaction and tended to alleviate my pains. March 24, '02. John C. Degan, Kinman, Ills. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 Sold by A. C. Marsters & Co.

MRS. GOEHNER COMMITS SUICIDE

By Shooting Herself with a 38-Caliber Pistol.

SICK AND DESPONDENT

She was Receiving Medical Treatment at the Home of Carl Hoffman.

Mrs. Kate Goehner, wife of George Goehner a farmer of Oak Creek, was found dead in her room at the residence of Carl Hoffman on Mill street, early Saturday morning, by Mrs. Hoffman who entered the room to call her to breakfast. The unfortunate woman was lying face downward on the floor with a bullet hole through her left breast between the breast bone and the lower portion of the heart. The pistol with which the wound was inflicted is a huge, old-fashioned Mexican gun of 38-calibre, the property of Mr. Hoffman, and which he always kept on the bureau in his room.

It was evident that the wound was self-inflicted as Mrs. Goehner left three letters addressed respectively to Dr. Miller, Mr. Hoffman and her husband, thanking all for their kindness to her and stating that her illness was more than she could stand and asked forgiveness for her last act. Her letter to Dr. Miller was as follows:

Roseburg, Oregon, March 11, '05.
Dr. Miller, Dear Sir:—Thanking you for your great kindness and the patience that you have had with me, a poor sufferer. I think my troubles harder than I am able to bear them any longer, and I blame nobody but myself for it all, as I think I have been waiting too long before giving myself into your good helping hands.

Hoping that everything will be settled all right, and also hope to be forgiven for my last act.

Yours very truly,
MRS. KATE GOEHNER.

On the back of this letter was copied these lines of poetry:

"Long mayest thou dwell among the sons of men;
Pleasant be thy going to and fro;
Eternal be thine influence for the truth and right,
The highest and the best on earth—
And when thou comest to the end of life,
And bid'st farewell to earthly friends,
May peace attend thy parting hour
As angels gather round thy bed to bear
Thy spirit safely to its home above."

"There's so much had in the best of us,
And so much good in the worst of us,
It hardly behooves any of us
To speak ill of the rest of us."

Your unhappy patient,
MRS. KATE GOEHNER.

The letter had been placed in an envelope, sealed and stamped. The two other letters were written in German.

Justice Long was notified as soon as the body was discovered and he summoned Dr. Hoover and a coroner's jury and made a thorough examination of the body and room, after which the remains were removed to the undertaking parlors. The coroner's jury examined witnesses in the case today and returned a verdict of suicide caused by despondency and self suffering.

It is the opinion of Dr. Hoover that the woman did the rash act about 8 or 9 o'clock Saturday night, at which hour Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman were absent from their home attending the session of the Rebekah lodge. They returned home at about 10:45 p. m. and thinking Mrs. Goehner was asleep were careful not to waken her. They did not know of the suicide until Mrs. Hoffman entered her room about seven o'clock a. m.

Mrs. Goehner has been ill for a number of years and about six months ago she came to Roseburg to receive medical attendance and took rooms with her friends Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman.

The deceased was a native of Germany, 44 years of age, and besides her husband she has no relatives on this coast, her father, mother and other relatives residing in Chicago.

The funeral was held from the residence of Mr. Hoffman today at 2 o'clock, services by Rev. E. H. Hicks of the Baptist church, interment in the L. O. O. F. cemetery.

CORONER'S VERDICT
In the Justice Court for Deer Creek District, Douglas County, Oregon.
In the matter of the inquisition held upon the body of Mrs. Katy Goehner, We, the Coroner's jury empaneled to investigate the death of a certain person, who was found dead at the residence of Carl Hoffman on Mill Street, No. 818, in the city of Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, find that the person found dead was in her life Mrs. Katy Goehner, age about 44 years.

That she came to her death by a bullet wound from a 38-caliber revolver. That the shot fired was at the hands of the said Katy Goehner, and we find that the same was fired with suicidal intent, and we hereby find that she came to her death by her own hand.

FRANK G. MICHELL,
W. S. NORMAN
J. T. THOMPSON
A. S. BUELL
W. A. WEBBER
EDGAR E. LONG
Coroner's Jury.

JOHN T. LONG,
Justice of the Peace for Deer Creek District, Douglas County, and acting coroner.

A Tongue Twister

Here is another tip-top tongue-tripper. See if you can say it fast without a mistake.

Betta Botta bought some butter.
"But," she said, "this butter's bitter,
But a bit of better butter
Will but make my butter better."
So she bought a bit of butter
Better than the bitter butter,
And it made her butter better.
So 'twas better Betta Botta
Bought a bit of better butter.

Where They Fall.
Nine skillful tailors make a man.
That's what the old folks say.
But oft these tailors lack a plan
To make the one man pay.

Advertise

Do you feel your trade is poor?
Advertise!
Is it slipping past your door?
Advertise!
Are you feeling rather blue,
Advertise!
'Fraid you will not pull through?
Advertise!
There's just one thing for you to do—
Advertise!

If you'll have your business grow,
Advertise!
Nothing gained by going slow,
Advertise!
Don't sit around and wonder why
That customers will pass you by;
Get up and make the cobwebs fly—
Advertise!

Don't get sore if others win,
Advertise!
That customers will pass you by;
Get up and make the cobwebs fly—
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BRYAN LOSES LEGACY LEFT HIM BY BENNETT

Hartford, Conn., March 10.—The supreme court of Connecticut has confirmed the decision of the lower court holding that the clause in the Bennett will containing the paragraph in regard to \$50,000 left to W. J. Bryan is inoperative and that the funds is part of the residuary estate. Bryan will not contest the case further.

Odd Fellows Anniversary

The Odd Fellows of Lane county are preparing for a big picnic in the grove at Goshen on April 25th, which date is the 86th anniversary of the order.

If the weather is bad on that date, the several lodges will celebrate the anniversary in their halls.

Committees have been named to arrange for the big event, and it promises to be one of the most successful affairs of its kind ever given. The Goshen grove is well situated for a picnic, and has been a popular place for such affairs in years past.

Profitable Employment

A. O. Rose, of Roseburg, is engaged in appointing Oregon agents to represent a large and reliable Chicago firm to introduce their new automatic spring scissors and latest books. Boys, girls, men or women are appointed either on salary or commission. If interested call on or write A. O. Rose, Roseburg, Oregon.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

HIS ANNUAL CALL

Once more the slip.
Bony, unregenerate grip
Grips in on dock
Giving it to us in the neck
And every where
Else between toe nails and hair.
Giving our joints
Pains
Oh feel!
Ing how it is to be broken on the
wheel.
Making our muscles seem
To have been pounded with a steam
roller.
Setting our nerves on edge
And causing our bones to ache over
time and space
No action to the eight hour day.
For its sake
The grip germ is the prize
Aggravation
Of the entire germ nation.
It slips up when we are not looking.
Bookings
A date without waiting to see
If we
Have open time,
And to make the crime
Greater
It calls around later
And makes us doubly sore
By extending the engagement two
weeks more.
When opportunity knocks at your
door, they say
It goes away
If no one lets it in—
This is a sign
Down the track
And never comes back.
Not so with the grip germ. If the door
is barred.
It hangs around the yard
With charming unconcern
And waits for the folks to return.
It doesn't know how to quit.
You can't lose it.
Although for its downfall you may
plot,
The grip germ is Johnny on the spot.

The Home Grown Rumor.
Really we should put a high and forbidding tariff on the unconfirmed rumor that is manufactured in Asia and which is so common here.

With such enormous gain some of the historical novelists now working in the New York subway because it is a slow season for literature might be induced to drop their shovels and take up their pens and give the world something worth while in that line.

There is no doubt that bright American youth with a little practice could sink a battleship before breakfast and lethargically dispatch an army after lunch.

Let the tariff takers get busy and head off the pauper unconfirmed rumor of Asia before it secures a firmer hold in the affections of our people.

A Poor Rule.
"Willie," said the untruthful parent, springing the old gag as he puffed the shingle, "this hurts me worse than it does you."
"Let me take a couple of punches at you, dad," said the doubting Thomas, "and see if it will hurt me worse than it does you."

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COUNTY EXPENSES

List of Claims Allowed at the March Term County Court.

(Concluded from last week.)

R K Montgomery election	4 30
Jan Fletcher	5 00
Glass & Prudhomme stationery	243 00
Irwin Hodson & Co	5 80
Geo D Barnard & Co	12 50
Umpqua W L & P Co water and light	5 00
Cooper & Duke	30 00
Pilkington Bros	6 25
A W Cornutt drawing jury	3 00
C H Lake	2 00
Freston Lake	2 00
W R Wells	3 00
E A Gilles	2 00
N P Jones State vs Forkway	12 50
R K Montgomery	8 15

Plaindealer Pub Co printing and stationery	274 25
F H Rogers deputy assessor	122 50
N P Jones insane account	10 85
J C Twitchell Co physician	20 00
H C Slocum constable fees	18 10
H T McClallen prisoners board	84 50
H T McClallen sheriff's expense	38 65
Z N Agce expressage	4 70
C E Roberts roads surveying	20 00
Morris Weber roads	14 80
R B Dixon	14 00
N Throne	9 00
Henry Murphy	2 00
Churehill & Woolley	4 75
S K Sykes	10 10
Cooper & Duke bridges	43 45
Pilkington Bros	7 00
O P Henderson indigent asst	75 00
Oakland Drug Co	37 85
W L Dardoff	42 50
Leslie Lilly	22 00
Dr. C Gilmore	20 00
G Walderson	10 50
E G Young & Co	23 10
I Abraham	15 90
Mrs P Kitchell	93 50

Review Pub Co printing and stationery	60 45
O C Brown teachers exam	30 00
Mrs John Hamlin	21 00
A M Sanders	30 00
Dr E DuGas justice court	5 00
H C Slocum Jr deputy sheriff	55 00
W R Vinson paupers poor farm	204 40
John T Long justice court	3 00
Art Green	2 00
I Thornton	2 00
John T Long state vs Biglow	12 75
Thos Gibbs	3 20
A C McCulloch	3 10
J Williams	3 30
John Williams	3 30
Emily Counts	3 40
Lucy Horstine	3 30
H Bushnell	3 20
C A Prock	3 20
Pearl Parmentier	3 50
Hattie Counts	3 40
Emma Johnson	3 50
Mrs W Wells	1 20
E E Wells	15 35
John T Long State vs Tabb	2 10
John T Long	5 20
John T Long	8 35
John T Long	1 00
B W Strong	1 00
H Stapleton	1 00
John T Long	11 05
Thos Strader	1 00
Ben Goodman	1 00
J W Dent	1 00
Joe Pierce	1 00
J G Hollis indigent asst	1 25
W D Simmons	18 00
Mrs A C Kidd & Son	19 10
L D Carle	10 00
Norman Throne work on assessment rolls	25 00
C E Roberts work on assessment rolls	96 00
Coast Fork Lmbr Co bridges	5 55
B L Cavitt overpaid taxes	1 92
Kruse & Newland indigent asst	4 00
A C Marsters	20 85
A C Marsters stationery	17 70
A C Marsters court house	19 10
W E Miller indigent asst	20 00
A E Nichols commissioner	20 20
J C Young	15 40
B F Wilks election	3 50
Morris Weber roads	175 00
A Notestein indigent asst	6 00
J W Wright juror	10 20
Betty E Humphreys over paid taxes	6 55

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