

## EX-GOVERNOR CRITTENDEN ROASTS THE PORTLANDERS.

### Woeful Lack of Public Spirit. His Criticism Appli- cable to a Good Many Oregon Towns.

Portland, Aug. 21.—"What Portland needs is a number of prominent funerals, with black hearse drawn by four black horses and long and imposing corteges of sincere mourners. You have out here the climate, the products, the resources, the country, and you may have the citizens, but I have not seen them. I doubt, if a resolution had been presented before the Trans-Mississippi Congress thanking Portland for its hospitality, that it would have been passed, for we, the visitors here, have been let alone, and I have not met a single man of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress who has not felt it to be the case. It is a thing that will be had for the city when it is in the East."

Thomas C. Crittenden, of Kansas City, ex-governor of Missouri, viewed the clouds floating over the city in white winged flocks and continued to express some of the opinions he had formed after a visit of several days here. His thoughts, some of them were energetic, as became the man who freed his native state of the world known James gang of outlaws at the nominal cost of \$20,000, or which service the state paid no part. What he said was not in complaint but in warning lest Portland and the state fall into the same error and make the same mistake suffered by other cities in times gone past.

"It makes no difference to me," he said, "whether the glad hand is held out or not for I never expect to be here again. I have lived many years at my home and can continue to do so, but the spirit will be had for the city here."

St. Louis and Kansas City Example.

"St. Louis had to bury some of its old and prominent citizens before it began to grow," continued the speaker, "Kansas City held many important funerals as a foundation for the progress of the place. Portland will have to follow suit. I have been here several days and am the representative of the Kansas City Business Men's Club, yet I have met none of the prominent men of the city, have seen none of the merchants, the bankers, the builders who are making the city grow and are standing behind public enterprise. What do you think will be the impression then when I return to my home and go among the people of my city and they say to me 'Who did you meet in Portland? Who are the leading men there?' and I will have to say, I do not know. I have met none of them and I did not see them."

## MORE ABOUT ARMY SCANDAL

Wooster, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Mrs. Taggart's attorneys asked the court to throw out of evidence of Miner's report to the war department, which he admitted was a demerit against Taggart which should not have appeared. The court refused the motion. Miner said this morning in correcting his testimony of yesterday that the first order given after Taggart's arrest was to Lieutenant Fortesque, ordering him to stay away from Taggart's home. Miner denied pinching Mrs. Taggart's leg under the table at a dinner.

Miner said he wasn't drunk at the dinner party. He said that while cocktails were served at the start, wine was on the table, and he drank very little. The official record of Taggart's confinement in the hospital was introduced and showed that he was "sick in line of duty July 2 to 8, and under arrest July 2; commanded the company after July 8" miner thought Taggart was mentally unbalanced, as many officers were from campaigning in the Philippines and had him locked up for observation. Colonel Hoff reported he found no signs of mental disturbance and ordered him released several days later. A copy of the report that Miner made of the quarrel between Taggart and his wife was introduced. Taggart's attorneys are endeavoring to show that only a part of the incident was reported, and that was prejudicial.

Miner admitted the report was based upon a single incident as reported by Captain Poor, and admitted the occurrence was not in the year for which the report was made. Taggart's charges against Miner were read. Miner was accused of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman, and alleges he took improper liberties with Mrs. Taggart at a dinner party; declares he asked Mrs. Taggart to allow him to see her in the absence of her husband; that he went to Taggart's home in the absence of Taggart and spent some time alone in the parlor with Mrs. Taggart; that he acted imprudently while walking with Mrs. Taggart; that he asked Mrs. Taggart to call him by telephone, and if Mr. Taggart was not at the house, he would go by a way not to be seen.

## EAST PORTLAND VISITED BY A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

### Fire Originated in the Iowa Restaurant. Loss is \$150,000 With But Very Little Insurance.

Portland, Aug. 21.—A fire started at East avenue and Oak street, on the east side early this morning, and swept clean four city blocks. The fire spread northward to Stark street. The fire taxed the energies of the entire fire department. Four blocks were swept away despite the concentrated efforts of the fireboats and engines. The loss aggregates several thousand dollars. Street car traffic and light and power service of the entire east side is crippled.

The fire started in the Iowa Hotel, a frame structure, and rapidly spread throughout the district, occupied largely by second hand stores and shacks standing on piling foundations. The roadway was condemned, thus preventing the fire department from reaching all parts of the endangered district. The firemen waded and walled through the slough in a desperate effort to protect the structures. As the wires of the street car and power companies broke there were several thrilling escapes. The firemen working on the elevated roadway were frequently endangered. The population of the gulch made a mad rush to escape with their lives and belongings. By hard work the flames were prevented from going west. Buildings were dynamited to prevent the spreading of flames. Some crews of firemen were subjected to such great heat that brother firemen had to turn the water on them. At one place the elevated street collapsed, taking a crew into the blazing piling and muck beneath.

The dilapidated lodging houses began collapsing rapidly adding fuel to the blaze. At ten o'clock the blaze was thought to be under control, though fresh outbreaks were constantly reported. Among the structures destroyed are the Kaddery building, a three-story brick; Kearns Bros block and lodging house; the Air Tight Stove Company, 3-story brick; Bailey's Paint Store, the Portland Cement and Tiling Company; Wedler's, Smith's and Hochfield's second hand stores and the Iowa restaurant.

The loss on the Kildery building is \$60,000; Collier block, \$50,000. Among other buildings destroyed is O. J. Fellows hall. The total loss approximates \$150,000. At noon the flames were still raging under control. Three per cent of the loss was insured. The loss is little insurance.

The burned district includes four blocks of business houses and residences between Stark and Pine and Union avenue and Sixth street. The entire district is in ruins and other adjacent sections destroyed. Rio Felle, a fireman, was injured. John Stewart, a truck driver, sustained a broken leg. Three women were injured while being rescued from the Kaddery building. A boy who jumped to the sidewalk had his legs fractured.

Later Report

Portland, Aug. 22.—The fire destroyed 22 structures and the loss is now estimated at \$150,000, with insurance at \$31,750. The flames raged five hours before they were got under control.

## KILLS BEARS WITH A CLUB

### Grants Pass, Aug. 22.—To be attacked in the woods of the Southern Oregon mountain wilds by three bears, each appearing in rapid succession, and to meet and slay all of them open-handed, is an experience that comes to but few, but such was the experience of John Blacklock, a miner of Northern Josephine county. Mr. Blacklock operates a placer claim on Grave creek, near Leland, and makes regular trips to the railroad station for his meals and supplies. It was while on his way home from one of these trips that he met the three bears.

## FEDERAL GRAND JURY PROBING ALLEGED LAND FRAUDS.

### Failing to Convict Congressman Williamson on Former Charge New Charge Will Be Tramped Up.

New Grand Jurors

Members of the new Federal Grand Jury: H. Russell Albee, foreman, merchant, Portland; J. W. Bailey, droggist, Hillsboro; A. C. Alexander, la. mer, Forest Grove; Jack on A. Bilyeu, farmer, Seio; George Bridwell, warhorseman, Amity; F. W. Durbin, hoggrower, Salem; Theodore H. Feary, merchant, Portland; George E. Hargreaves, capitalist, Oregon City; W. A. Jolly, farmer, Philomath; Charles A. Morden, printer, Portland; John Murray, farmer, Aurora; J. W. Partlow, farmer, Oregon City; John R. Pearl, farmer, Brownsville; William Schmeer, merchant, Portland; John Shannon, farmer, Beaver Creek; C. E. Stannard, merchant, Brownsville; Walter K. Taylor, dairyman, Corvallis; Albert P. Vail, farmer, South Mount Tabor; M. H. Wilds, farmer, Albany.

Court Opens

Portland, Aug. 22.—The United States Court opened this morning at 10 o'clock for the selection of the grand jury from the 30 names drawn from the jury list last week. After hearing excuses and being shown certificates by physicians as to the illness of several whose names were drawn, Judge William B. Gilbert found 19 eligible. Judge Gilbert appointed H. Russell Albee foreman. The 19 then retired to the grand jury room and entered upon their duties. In charging the jury Judge Gilbert said:

"You will investigate fully, gentlemen of the jury, the matters the District Attorney will bring to your attention. Your decisions will be entirely unbiased and without favor in any particular. You are bound to keep secret any happenings which may occur, and if you vote an indictment you will also keep that quiet until the indictment is reported in open court. Should you at any time receive instructions as to how to proceed, you may come into court and be so instructed."

The jurors were told that if any one was not a citizen of the United States he should make the fact known, and also that if any had served on the jury in the United States Court during the past two years, he should also speak there were no responses.

Siletz Frauds First Up

It is believed that the jury is investigating today the Siletz Reservation frauds, with a view to renewing the indictment against Jones, Potter and others, which was dismissed because of the faulty wording of the document. A number of Siletz witnesses are in Portland who are somewhat familiar with the methods employed by Jones and

## A BRIGHT GIRL SAVED HER FATHER

Miss Jessie Bartmann, of Sharon, Minn., is only a schoolgirl, but she recently exhibited an amount of sense and heroism that few older people would be capable of. She and her father were alone one day in their home, and Mr. Bartmann was cutting wood. His ax slipped and he severed an artery in his foot. His daughter had learned how to apply a tourniquet at school, but Mr. Bartmann was so feeble that she knew she could not twist a bandage tight enough to stop the flow of blood. The patient could give her no help, as he had fainted, but she thought of another plan and quickly executed it. Cutting off the shoe and stockings and trousers to the knee, she set the foot into a twelve-gallon stone jar on about three inches of flour. Then she filled the jar with flour and pressed it down with a stick of firewood. The bleeding stopped at once, for the blood could not penetrate the flour. It was four hours before a doctor could be secured. When he arrived he said that Mr. Bartmann would have bled to death in a short time if it had not been for his daughter's presence of mind.

## MITCHELL VERDICT MAY BE REVERSED

Washington, Aug. 22.—Ex-Senator John M. Thurston, counsel for Senator Mitchell, reached New York Monday. In an interview bearing on the Mitchell case he expressed a hope that the senator may ultimately escape on technical grounds. Here is what Thurston says:

"I feel quite hopeful of obtaining a reversal of the verdict against Senator Mitchell when the case which has been appealed to the United States supreme court, is opened next spring. There are several points on which I believe we can obtain this reversal. One of them is the wording of the indictment returned against Senator Mitchell, which should specify the particular crime with which he is charged. This it does not do."

Another technical point which Senator Thurston says may gain a reversal of the verdict is the fact that, under the statute of limitations the alleged crime was outlawed before the indictment was returned.

## THE COUNTRY OF LEWIS AND CLARK

The old "Oregon country" includes Washington, Oregon, Idaho and a small portion of Montana and Wyoming. The state of Washington alone is larger than the New England states, together with the state of Delaware and the District of Columbia.

Oregon is larger than New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey together. The "Oregon country" is equal in extent to the thirteen original states of the union, which now support a population of more than 30,000,000 inhabitants.

The New England states, together with New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware had a population of 21,231,450 in 1900 while Washington and Oregon together had but 931,639.

The combined area of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Denmark, Holland and Belgium is 4000 square miles less than the area of Washington and Oregon, and these countries have a population of more than 50,000,000.

France and Germany have each an area just about two thirds as great as the old "Oregon country," and they support populations of 40,000,000 and 50,000,000 respectively.



MRS. WILLIAM H. TAFT, WIFE OF THE WAR SECRETARY.

## SULTAN OF SULU OFFERS HAND TO MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT

Jolo, Aug. 20.—Secretary Taft and party arrived here at noon, and immediately proceeded to the parade ground to witness an elaborate program arranged for their entertainment. The Sultan of Sulu, with his retinue, and other Moro dignitaries, occupied seats on the grandstand along with Secretary Taft and Miss Roosevelt.

Thousands of Moros residents of Jolo and from the neighboring islands were present to take part in the festivities, which were wonderfully picturesque. In the afternoon there were caribou and bull fights of an amusing but not bloodthirsty character.

Secretary Taft and Miss Roosevelt were presented with many Moro presents by the Sultan, who offered his hand in marriage to Miss Roosevelt and would make her Sultana of the Sulu Archipelago, saying that his people desired her to remain among them.

While some members of the party were bathing in the afternoon Frederick O'Brien, editor of the Cable News, was seized with cramps, and the undertow was rapidly carrying him out to sea, when Representative Longworth of Ohio seeing his peril, started after him, and rescued him at the risk of his own life.

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Before Attorney-General Crawford left this city for a hunt in Southern Oregon he remarked that it he ever got lost himself, and was satisfied of that fact, he would set out a fire and make it as big as possible. Then if any forest rangers were in sight they would come to him. He said, of course he would be arrested and fined, but if fined he would be found. This may account for a telegram that came to the state printer's office from Roseburg from one of the forest rangers. It reads: "Forward 500 fire notices. Rush. Whitney and Crawford lost and are firing the timber. Poese gone." Foreman Godfrey sent the fire notices on the first train—Salem Journal.

## WILL FIGHT YOUR UNCLE SAMUEL

New York, Aug. 22.—The Tribune today says:

"Venezuela has placed orders in Europe for torpedo boats with guns and ammunition at the cost of about \$2,500,000, a large amount than that little South American republic has ever expended at one time for war materials."

"An American, who has just returned from Venezuela, is authority for the statement that President Castro recently declared that he was going to 'fight the Yankooks,' which explains the unusually large orders for ships, arms and ammunition."

"It is reported that when the Venezuelan executive board heard recently of the appointment by President Roosevelt of Judge William J. Calhoun as special commissioner to investigate certain affairs in Caracas, his anger was great and his language immoderate. He announced that he would not permit an emissary of President Roosevelt to land in Venezuela."

## PRESIDENT APPEALS TO THE CZAR

Oyster Bay, Aug. 23.—The president sent a long message to Ambassador Meyer Monday afternoon.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—The fact that Meyer saw the czar today and that advice from Oyster Bay say the president sent a long message to Meyer is believed certain that the president has made a personal appeal to the czar in the interests of peace.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 23.—Ambassador Meyer was received by the empress today. It is believed Meyer's visit concerns the pending peace negotiations.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 23.—Professor Martens, who accompanied Witte to Portsmouth as advisor, has been recalled.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—The meeting of the peace envoys was resumed this morning, but the situation is apparently almost hopelessly divided. Many things happened and much has been accomplished that leads to belief that today's sessions may result in something definite. A telegraph wire has been placed directly connecting the navy yard with Oyster Bay, and Pierce has been provided with a cipher which only he and the President understand.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—Denison, legal advisor of the Japanese, and Pokotiloff, of the Russian suite, remained in the hotel this morning, watching for news from the conference room, ready to go to the envoys if any developments arise there. The Russians left the hotel first, bowing and smiling to salutations. The Japanese for the first time since their arrival acknowledged the greetings of the crowd. Heretofore they have looked neither to the right or left, leaving to Sato the duty of returning salutations. The session began at 9:40.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—Korocovitch telephoned from the navy yard that the conference has signed the protocols and adjourned until Saturday.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—The next meeting of the envoys will be at 3 p. m. Saturday. Sato refused to answer the question as to whether Japan presented a modification of her demands today.

Portsmouth, Aug. 23.—Witte said that the Japanese had submitted the same old propositions in a new form, but no conclusion had been reached.

## BOOTH-KELLY CO. GETS DECISION

Eugene, Aug., 22.—Judge J. W. Hamilton, of the circuit court, has handed down a decision in the case of Jonathan J. Thomas, of Coburg, vs. the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company, wherein the plaintiff seeks damages from the defendant because the latter has maintained a dam across a mill race at Coburg, causing the water to overflow on the plaintiff's land. The judge finds in the case as follows:

"First, that whatever damages, if any, plaintiff may have sustained by reason of back water from defendant's dam are not irreparable.

"Second, that the plaintiff is not entitled to equitable relief herein and that his complaint should be dismissed and defendant recover costs in the case."

This case has been in the courts for some time past and has created considerable interest. Weatherford & Wyatt, of Albany, are the plaintiff's attorneys, and A. C. Woodcock, of Eugene, and O. H. Tanner, of Portland, for the defendant.

## CROP AND WEATHER REPORT

Light showers occurred during the fore part of the week in the lower portion of the Willamette valley and in the northern coast counties. Elsewhere throughout the State dry weather prevailed. The temperature in western Oregon averaged about normal, while the weather east of the Cascades was slightly cooler than usual, especially at night.

Grain is about all cut and in the stack. Thrashing continues in all sections. The yields in the Willamette valley continue disappointing, but in the Columbia and Grand Ronde valleys the returns are very gratifying. Hops are making a seasonable progress, and where spraying was thorough, they done the lice have about disappeared. Corn is earing and filling nicely and a good crop is indicated. Stock continues to lose flesh.

Plums and some varieties of prunes are ripe and being gathered. The yield of most fruits will fall below the average, both in quantity and size. Apples and pears are small and dropping more than usual. Peaches are plentiful and of good flavor.

Blacksmith Tools for Sale.  
Blacksmith tools, complete for set heavy work. Price \$30. Address Box 92, Yoncalla, Ore.

## AFTER THE NON- RESIDENT HUNTERS HENRY LOSES POINTS IN DAMAGE SUIT

The Grants Pass Observer says: "Deputy State Game Warden E. E. Wright was in Douglas county last week in response to reports that California hunters were hunting deer in those regions without having complied with the law which requires non-residents to pay a license fee of \$10 each. He found three Los Angeles men at Glendale sitting out for a hunting trip and it was with considerable reluctance they yielded to the advice of the deputy warden to contribute \$10 each for the privilege of chasing bucks in Oregon."

Portland, Aug. 22.—Judge Arthur L. Frazer of the State Circuit Court, this morning denied the motion filed to strike out parts of the complaint in the \$50,000 damage suit brought against United States District Attorney Francis J. Heney by Attorney Charles F. Lord. The motion was filed by Attorney Henry E. McGinn, who represents Mr. Heney in the case, but Mr. McGinn was not in court this morning when the time set for hearing the motion arrived, and because of this nonappearance Judge Frazer denied the motion. No date has yet been set for the trial of the case.

## TESTIFY AGAINST HOME MAN

Many Prineville witnesses, however, are to testify in regard to the new indictment against Williamson, Gesner and Biggs, who, it is conceded, will face an entirely new charge at the coming trial, it being believed the accusation is to be that of conspiracy to defraud the Government rather than the former charges of conspiracy to suborn perjury. Walsdorf, of Prineville, formerly partner in the firm of Williamson, Walsdorf & Gesner, was interviewed yesterday afternoon by District Attorney Heney in regard to the range difficulties which are said to have furnished a motive for the filing of the claims upon which money was loaned by Williamson and Gesner, and which are alleged to have been fraudulent.

The grand jury held a short session this morning, completing organization and adjourning shortly before noon. J. W. Bailey, of Hillsboro, the youngest member of the jury, was chosen secretary.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock actual business started, and Captain J. L. Wells, of Portland, was the first witness to be examined. His testimony is supposed to relate to the fraudulent entries in the Siletz Reserve.

## INVESTIGATE RANGE FRAUDS

That the desert of Crook county is to give up its secret and the crime of years ago be uncovered by the Federal Grand Jury, just called, is the belief of those conversant with the work of the present session. The owner of the grazing skull of at least one victim of deadly hostility between sheep and cattlemen, now lying on the interior sagebrush range, is to be revealed, and no longer lie with empty eyesockets upturned to the stars, as if asking why the murderer goes unpunished.

The murderer of "Shorty" Davis, a former sheepman of the Crooked River country, who owned a ranch 16 miles southeast of Prineville, and who suddenly "dropped out" about three years ago, is said to have been discovered, and the subject will be taken up by District Attorney Francis J. Heney, and an indictment returned, charging an interior Oregon cattlemen with the foul murder, it is alleged.

## GAMBLING AT NEWPORT CEASES

Newport, Aug. 22.—The gambling games here have been closed by the authorities, the sheriff, under the direction of District Attorney Geo. M. Brown, having ordered the gamblers to cease their operations. It was done Saturday and the sporting fraternity has lost all interest in the beauties of the summer resort and have gone elsewhere. Even the slot machines have been turned to the wall like the pictures of a forgotten love.

The Grove Lining Up

John H. Hall, of Latham, was in Eugene yesterday and he has been influenced by the new order of things lately launched at Cottage Grove. He informs the Register that provisions have been made for nine months of high school in that city, that the Commercial club has bought and equipped a creamery and put a man in charge of the same, and that the outfit will be given him at the end of three years. Further, the city has accepted bids for a new water system to be constructed by Mr. Geo. Lee for \$15,000 and in fact things are looking up along all lines.—Register.

## STILL AFTER THE GAME LAW VIOLATORS

Cottage Grove, Aug. 19.—State Game Warden J. W. Baker reports the following arrests and convictions for July and August:

O. M. Murphy, killing quail.....	\$15 00
Ed Dean, unlawful fishing.....	50 00
Wm Hawkins.....	50 00
Long, killing deer.....	25 00
Hoyt.....	25 00
A. B. Lauff.....	25 00
Geo Forty.....	25 00
James Thomas.....	25 00
T. Hauser.....	25 00
Chas Farhob.....	25 00
Jno Yokam.....	5 00
—Gould, Sr.....	25 00
—Gould, Jr.....	25 00
Jno Anderson.....	25 00
J. Salvia.....	25 00
O. Fredrickson.....	25 00
Victor Urtrick.....	25 00
Chas Miller.....	25 00
C. S. Stephens.....	25 00
Sam Varley.....	25 00
G. Armentrout.....	25 00

Two arrests in Clackamas and two in Lane not yet tried.

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## A Pointer to Newport

The mayor of Atlantic City, N. J., has issued an order that girls who go in bathing must wear skirts to the knees and the material must not be of too thin material. Violators of this edict will be brought to the mayor's office and he will pass judgment on the length and texture of the offending garments.

## Ontario Cow With Triplets

Ontario, Or., Aug. 20.—The family milk cow of E. B. Johnson, on August 11, gave birth to three calves, which are all as lively as crickets. They are of the Hereford strain, and it is impossible to tell them apart unless a close inspection is made. The mother of the triplets has quite a record as a breeder, having on two previous occasions given birth to twins. Mr. Johnson has refused \$170 for the cow and calves from a party who desires to exhibit them at the Lewis and Clark Fair.