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PORTLAND, OREGON, SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 8, 1908.—TWO SECTIONS—18 PAGES. PRICE TWO CENTS.

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YESTERDAY WAS
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JOHN H. HALL FOUND GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY

EIGHT BALLOTS TAKEN BEFORE JURY AGREED

First Change Was When Rev. Frye of Albany Sided With Majority—Convicted Man Issues Statement Declaring There Was No Evidence Against Him

John H. Hall, accused of conspiracy to fence public lands in connection with W. W. Stelwer, H. H. Hendricks and others of the Butte Creek Land, Lumber & Livestock company, is guilty as charged in the indictment. Twelve men this morning delivered their verdict setting this seal upon the long trial that has dragged itself through the federal court for the past month, having come to the common mind after three hours' deliberation, argument and voting, during which 10 of the men had been for a verdict of guilty from the first.

Three ballots were required to reach the first change, when R. W. Frye of Albany went with the majority making the third cast stand 11 to one for guilty. It was not until the eighth ballot had been counted that the verdict was made unanimous, Eli Ramer of Crabtree changing on that ballot from his stand for acquittal to a vote for guilty. Three hours had been consumed in the deliberations, and it was 1:30 this morning when the verdict was signed and sealed by Judge Hunt at the keeping of M. S. Barnes of Beaverton, who had been chosen foreman.

Will Ask New Trial.

Mr. Hall, through his attorney Judge Webster, will move for a new trial at the expiration of 60 days, he having been granted that time in which to prepare his motion. If the trial is not granted by the court he will appeal to the United States circuit court of appeals, having been granted an extension of time beyond the 60 days by Judge Hunt this morning in order to prepare his bill of exceptions to the higher tribunal.

The defense lays its defeat not so much to the evidence introduced as to the closing argument of Mr. Heney, and perhaps even more to the charge which Judge Hunt made at the conclusion of the trial. Mr. Hall in a statement which he made public this morning, but which he refused to sign last night after listening to the charge given by Judge Hunt, expresses surprise at the verdict, and contends that he is unable to see how the evidence against him was convicted, unless it was upon matters which bore no relation to the charges set out in the indictment.

Much Interest Manifested.

The court room was packed with a silently expectant audience when Judge Hunt took his place on the bench this morning at one door just as the jury began to file in from another, while Judge Webster had already taken his place by the side of the foreman, and the jury came last, pale to the lips but gripping themselves in the unshakable calm which marked the trial.

Judge Hunt asked the jury if they had decided upon a verdict and M. S. Barnes of Beaverton, the foreman, arose and handed the sealed envelope up to the bench. Judge Hunt opened it, read it and passed it on to Deputy Clerk Merrill who read it aloud.

THE SUNDAY JOURNAL

HERE ARE SOME OF THE FEATURES:

WHOSE LIFE DID YOU LIVE BEFORE?—Your soul is your own for the time being, but maybe it has been in a better place before.

STRIKING EVIDENCES OF REINCARNATION that science is studying.

CUPID'S CLERICAL UNDERSTUDY—London minister who is "First aid to matrimony" will visit America.

TRAILS TO LAND OF GOLD—Government is investigating Alaska improvements.

WONDERFUL APPLE ORCHARDS—Rogue River valley fruit growers are making enormous profits from their crops.

IS THE WORLD BENT ON WAR?—Every nation is feverishly training its fighting men and officers in the art of battle.

NEW WOMAN OF THE YEAR 1908—Western culture has burst the doors of the Turkish harem and the inmates are emancipating themselves.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENTS—Special writers in The Sunday Journal contribute the best articles for the women. Every word is interesting.

FUNNIES FOR THE CHILDREN—The great colored comic supplement The Journal is the original mirth producer. Dad likes it as well as the kiddie.

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LEASER WIRE SERVICE AND SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS COVER THE WORLD LIKE THE CLOUDS IN THE SKY FOR
The WONDERFUL SUNDAY JOURNAL

PACKING PLANT SOON UNDER WAY

President Swift and Heads of Purchasing and Construction Departments Here to Arrange Final Details for Peninsula Establishment.

Officials Make Tour of Site to Determine Exact Location of Each Department—Expected Work Will Start Soon.

To complete the final arrangements to begin work on the packing house plant to be erected by Swift & Co., as soon as possible so as to take advantage of the labor conditions, Louis F. Swift, president of the company, arrived in Portland this morning to inspect the building site on the lower end of the peninsula.

Mr. Swift is accompanied by N. E. Higby, his right-hand man, and who has charge of the purchasing department of the big Chicago packers, and H. C. Gardner, who is chief of the construction bureau for Swift & Co.

Will Not Discuss Plans.

Mr. Swift was not inclined to discuss for publication any plans for the immediate future.

When asked you going to begin work on the new plant? he was asked by a Journal reporter.

Begin Work Soon.

While here Chief Engineer Gardner will determine the exact location of every department of the new industry, and will make complete every detail preparatory to letting the contract and beginning work on the plant as soon as possible.

It is expected that the work of actual construction will begin within the next few weeks. The work will be done during the spring weather and has been going over the ground with Mr. Swift and Mr. Higby another conference is to be held, when the definite arrangement is to be made with the work will be determined.

Indian Prince to Visit San Francisco

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 8.—Francisco's smart set will not have to wait for the arrival of Fighting Bob Evans and his tris to drink itself out in its finest.

Three Boys Killed by Fierce Blizzard

St. Ignace, Mich., Feb. 8.—Three boys of this city lost their lives in the fearful blizzard that has swept over northern Michigan for three days past.

Plot Against Uruguay

Monte Video, Feb. 8.—The Daily Reason has published a document demonstrating that the Chancellor Zeballos of Argentina and the Brazilian minister Bocaviva have been conspiring to divide Uruguay between their countries.

WELCOME TO CITIZENS OF GREAT INLAND EMPIRE OF NORTHWEST



Levi G. Monroe, Secretary Spokane Chamber of Commerce. Frederick E. Goodall, President Spokane Chamber of Commerce.

EXCURSION TRAIN HERE

Portland Commercial Club Officials Entertain Visitors From Spokane, Walla Walla and Other Cities of Vast Grain Section.

"The Inland Empire Makes Portland the Grain Port of the Pacific."
"The Inland Empire Made Portland. You Own the Town."
"Spokane and Walla Walla Do Things Right."

These and other evidences of overflowing cordiality, including reception committees, bouquets of roses, illustrated souvenirs, handshakes, automobiles, a brass band tooting as loudly as it could, and a big throng of Portland people filled with the genuine welcoming spirit, greeted the Inland Empire excursion party at 1 o'clock today when their great train pulled into the Portland Union station promptly on time. The excursion party numbered 270 people, and is termed the "prosperity push" from Spokane, Walla Walla and the surrounding regions. It is said to be the largest and most expensive excursion ever run out of the Pacific northwest.

Twelve cars filled with merry and satisfied people unloaded their precious burdens of humanity and were conducted to the station entrance, where an array of automobiles and carriages were quickly filled and the party was driven about the city for an hour. The excursionists were met at the train by the train came through the gorge at Onocenta, cleared as the party were pulled into Portland, and the excursionists had tickets to the Portland hotel at 12:30 o'clock for luncheon, and afterward were taken out for another sight-seeing trip.

Banquet This Evening.

At 7 o'clock this evening they will be given a dinner at the Portland hotel, and a reception in the parlors, at which many Portland women will attend to make the acquaintance of the women of the inland empire. The excursion will leave at 11 o'clock tonight for Los Angeles. Willa Walla, general passenger agent of the Harriman lines in the Pacific northwest, has been prevailed upon to accompany the excursion, and will be assisted by A. R. Kerrigan, in charge of the mechanical details of the excursion train; and H. C. Munson, city ticket agent of the O. R. & N. at Spokane.

"We appreciate the attention given this train by the O. R. & N. Co., and the thoughtfulness of the excursionists from Portland and other points along the line," said F. W. Kuser, president of the Walla Walla Commercial club. Just prior to the departure of the train from Walla Walla last evening the excursionists were recipients of telegrams of congratulation from Mr. McMurray, Tom Richardson and others. Mr. Murray's telegram expressed the sentiment of Portland people in the following message:

Message to Walla Walla.

"F. W. Kuser, President Walla Walla Commercial Club—On board Walla Walla connection Inland Empire Special—Permit me to tender to you my hearty congratulations on your splendid party which will start tonight for Oregon and California. We sincerely trust the trip will be full of pleasure and profit and that it will be the means of attracting attention from all parts of the Pacific coast to Spokane and the inland empire. The city of Portland is proud to be the first to greet you and the people of Oregon and California await your coming with open arms."

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FINDS GOLD IN SEATTLE ALLEY

Telephone Lineman Discovers Two Sacks of Yellow Metal in Alley.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 8.—R. Davis, a lineman employed by one of the local telephone companies is under arrest at the city jail, held pending police investigation of his ownership of two sacks full of nuggets and gold bars worth, if genuine, about \$1,000.

Davis says he found the gold in the rear of the Hinckler building, several weeks ago while he was working with some telephone wires on the building. There are six large pieces of yellow metal in one sack and another sack about half full of nuggets including a dog nugget watch chain. The police have no report of such plunder having been stolen and know of no robberies of which the metal might have been the loot in any neighboring city.

Patrolman Donlan first learned that Davis was in possession of the gold Thursday when he offered it for sale at a second-hand store. The proprietor wanted to see the stuff before buying it and Davis took the gold to him last evening.

At that time Patrolman Donlan took Davis into custody and sent him to the police station.

MAY SHOW UP FRANK USERS

La Follette Makes Threat to Back Bill Against Telegraph Companies.

Washington, Feb. 8.—There is the promise of some pyrotechnics in the senate over the interstate commerce question again this session akin to those that were shot off when the rate bill was under discussion two years ago.

Senator La Follette has introduced a bill to bring telegraph and telephone companies under the control of the interstate commerce commission. The same bill has been introduced in the house by Representative Carey of Wisconsin.

Senator La Follette appeared before the senate committee on interstate commerce in the interest of his bill today and received no great encouragement. But it is understood that La Follette intends to force the matter upon the attention of the senate as a whole, and if he cannot get action there is the prospect that he will bring to light a list of senators who enjoy the use of franks supplied by the telegraph companies.

LUMBER RATES NOT SETTLED

Railroads May Make Concessions but Wait for Commission's Decision.

Seattle, Feb. 8.—Until the interstate commerce commission passes upon the reasonableness of the new lumber rates neither the railroads nor the lumbermen apparently are willing to entertain a proposal for a compromise.

At a conference between President Louis W. Hill of the great Northern and President Howard Elliott of the Northern Pacific and the conciliation committee's representatives, Frederick Hausman and Jacob Firth, it was shown that further effort toward a settlement at this time would be futile.

That the railroads might make some concessions affecting details in the shipment of lumber was intimated by the railroad presidents. However, they declared that nothing of the sort could be arranged until they had been advised by counsel.

At present the railroad is enjoined from collecting any amount on lumber shipments in excess of the old rate. So long as the injunction is effective the railroads are bound to obey the court's order, and they will not deviate in any degree. If anything outside of the injunction can be done by the railroads to facilitate shipments of lumber they are willing to meet any reasonable demand. After the conference President Hill and President Elliott left for Tacoma and Portland.

MAYOR TAYLOR WEDS TONIGHT

Ceremony to Be Performed Secretly Beyond Prying Eyes of Public.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 8.—Mayor Taylor will steal a march on his friends tonight by marrying Miss Eunice Jeffers very quietly somewhere known only to seven persons.

Neither the mayor nor Miss Jeffers desire any notoriety in connection with their wedding nor do they desire to undergo the embarrassment of a crowd and the deluge of congratulatory friends, which is one inevitable feature of a wedding of this kind in the city.

One of the guesses hazarded at the scene of the wedding is that it would take place in Berkeley at the home of Mrs. Mary Kincaid, who is the guardian of Miss Jeffers.

Shoe Factory at Roseburg.

Roseburg, Ore., Feb. 8.—Roseburg is to have a new boot and shoe manufacturing plant, run with electric power. It will be the finest of its kind in the state, equipped with all the latest appliances. Messrs. Howard and Brockway, the former from San Francisco, are installing the plant in the new building on Main street next door to the postoffice. It will be open Monday.

GATES LEAVES WALL STREET

Financier's Son Believed to Have Sold Seat on the 'Change and Quit.

New York, Feb. 8.—John W. Gates and his son, Charles, have quit Wall street for good, according to what seems to be reliable information.

Strength was added to the report by the fact that Charles Gates left for California today for a long stay and by the additional fact that a seat on 'change was recently sold for \$33,000. It was said at the time that this seat was sold by Charles Gates, but neither the son nor father would confirm the report. Gates bought it in 1901 for \$51,000 and since then seats have been sold for prices as high as \$85,000.

Millionaire Murders Family Near Henley

London, Feb. 8.—Frederick Holmes, a millionaire, his wife, daughter and two women servants were found today dead of bullet wounds.

Holmes' corpse was found first in the words near his up-river mansion near Henley. The women had been shot through the head, apparently as they slept.

JAP PHOTOGRAPHER ON CALIFORNIA COAST

Santa Barbara, Cal., Feb. 8.—A Japanese of the higher type, armed with an up-to-date camera, created considerable gossip yesterday by "snapping" the coast line near here.

The Japanese was among the passengers on the steamer Queen, which touched this port yesterday on her way south. The little passenger and his camera aroused the suspicion of Captain Thomas, who said that his guess was right when he saw the Japanese take the pictures.

MRS. J. P. MORGAN ROBBED

Jewels Worth Twenty Thousand Dollars Stolen From Private Car in Which Financier's Wife is Traveling to California.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 8.—Jewelry and other valuables reported to be worth \$20,000 have been stolen from the private car Independence in which Mrs. J. P. Morgan, wife of the New York financier and two women friends are traveling.

The party left New Orleans Wednesday night, the private car being attached to the regular westbound Southern Pacific train. Mrs. Morgan and her friends, Mrs. J. N. Nappan of Providence, and Mrs. J. Meredith of New York, stopped at Beaumont, Houston and El Paso.