ROSS WILL ASK CHANGE OF VENUE

Attorneys for Wreckers of Title Guarantee Will Argue That Defendants Cannot Secure Fair Trial in Multnomah County.

Local Newspapers Will Be Grilled as Having Prejudiced Public Opinion—Regarded as Only Another Move to Delay Trial.

It is reported that J. Thorburn Ross and the other accused officials of the Title Guarantee & Trust company will soon file affidavits asserting that they cannot secure a fair trial in Multnomah county, and asking Judge Cleland to grant them a change of venue.

The former bankers yesterday afternoon entered their pleas of not guilty to the indictment charging them with accepting deposits after they knew the bank to be insolvert. This is the case in which the demurrer was overruled by Judges Gantenbein, O'Day and Bronaugh, sitting en banc, and the motion for change of venue is expected as soon as the district attorney has the case set down for trial. It cannot be made before that time.

The motion for change of venue will charge the existence in the public mind of a state of feeling that will make it impossible for Ross and his associates to secure an impartial jury to try them. It is expected that the Portland newspapers will be verbally raked over the coals on the charge that they have stirred up public sentiment against the accused bankers.

The district attorney's office regards this as only another move for delay. The affidavits of the defendants or of their attorneys will have to be met by counter affidavits and the question of the probability of securing a fair trial will have to be passed on by the court.

INWARD SWINGING DOORS TO REHANG

Walla Walla School Board Gets Very Busy With All Death Traps.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Walla Walla, Wash., March 7.—Profiting by the experience taught by the Collinwood, Ohio, disaster, the board of education yesterday took steps to put the public schools of the city in a safe condition.

At the Baker school it was discovered that every exit had doors swinging inward and the same condition in a large degree was found in several other buildings. Contractors have been engaged to rehang all the doors swinging inward and at the Lincoln school, a three-story brick structure, fire escapes have been ordered put in. These are expected to arrive shortly.

Citizens will probably petition the school board to provide fire escapes for each of the other five buildings.

Walla Walla probably has the finest lot of public school buildings of any city of its size in the United States. There are six buildings, all two and three stories in height and constructed entirely of brick and stone.

FIRE IN COLUMBIA THEATRE AT BOISE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Boise, Ida., March 7.—Fire badly damaged the Columbia theatre early this morning, a few hours after a large audience had left the place. The fire originated in a shed in the rear of the theatre and spread to the stage. The buildings will now be torn down. A new fireproof structure will be built on the opposite side of the street. A magnificent hotel is to be built on ground partly occupied by the old theatre.

WORK OF THE REAL ESTATE MISSIONARY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

La Grande, Or., March 7.—At least 25 families from Idaho will arrive in La Grande this week with a view to securing homes in the valley. A local real estate firm has had a missionary employed in Idaho and the states of the middle west during the past winter.

Had the Grippe?

Take a few doses of the Bitters. It will aid greatly in restoring your former health and strength. We guarantee it pure.

In cases of Chills and Colds it is also very beneficial and if taken in time Grippe can be prevented. It also cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Costiveness and other Stomach Troubles. Try it.

RING POLITICIANS ATTEMPT DECEIT

Anonymous Letters With False Statements Spread Broadcast Over State.

The Journal reprints the following political circulars, with which all Oregon is being anonymously flooded, although both of them bear the unmistakable earmarks of the Hodson-Beach-Bailey combine of ringsters and are doubtless being circulated from the Portland headquarters of this coterie of discredited politicians, who are moving heaven and earth to overthrow the direct primary law and destroy Statement No. 1. Every voter who reads these circulars, which consist mainly of abuse of the reform elements of the state and of this newspaper, will understand their purpose, and will see to what straits the remnants of the old ring are driven.

Both circulars bear a close resemblance to the sulphuretted-hydrogen argument that was used to break up the U'Ren meeting in South Portland Thursday night.

The Anonymous Letter.

"Headquarters of the Pop-Dem-Socialist League, Bunkum Crossroads, Clackamas County, Oregon.—To All My Yellow Republican Friends and Followers—Brethren: In issuing this circular I desire briefly to call attention to what has been done by our league in the past, and to what we intend to do in the future, as well as to warn you of certain moves the enemy, the straight Republicans of Oregon, are attempting.

"After several weary years of struggle we finally bamboozled the Republicans into passing our initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution. They didn't know it was loaded, and thought it was only to be used in extreme cases—such as might arise if the legislature refused to pass some law needed and demanded by the citizens, or if the legislature passed some vicious law against the will of the people. But we fooled 'em. By making the percentage of signatures required very low it is possible to amend the constitution or call the referendum on a law as easily as it used to be to introduce a fish bill in the legislature.

Bagged Attempt to Be Funny.

"We already have passed a so called direct primary law, which permits us to register as Republicans, thus getting on the inside, where we can do better execution against them than we formerly could. True, this law says it is intended to 'maintain party integrity,' but that was only intended as a joke—on the Republicans. Then, there is Statement 1, an appendix to the law. We had to lie to get that in, but the end (busting the G. O. P.) justified the means. And look at the glorious results attained by it! Our peerless leader—who in the old days tried every turn and crook and was not able to get even 'honorable mention'—Jonythan Bourne, Sooner—is now our United States senator, doing his best to provide for the faithful but hungry little band of Demo-Pop-Socs in Oregon. And if you will only stay with Statement 1 we have assurances that that prince of hot air purveyors, Georgie Chamberlain, will be his colaborer in this virgin field. Ponder this well, my brethren, for this is the only way it can be done. And if such a fortunate thing should happen as election of a Democratic president, we will have a true friend at court, and all the Republicans in Oregon will be kicked out—a thing our Johnnythan dares not do openly as yet.

"We have several very important measures coming before us at the June election, and they must pass to make our victory complete. First is the recall. By it, if a Republican in office dares to even think contrary to our views, we can make him run again by getting up a small petition against him. With this law passed, the officeholders will have their 'ears to the ground,' and as we always make the most noise, they will think we are really 'the people.' Second, the amendment which forbids the legislature to change or repeal any law passed by us. This will virtually make me and my coworkers the law making body of Oregon! See? Third, proportional representation. By this law we can knock out their beastly majority in the legislature and are assured that our friends, the Socialists, Populists and Democrats, will get some of their seats at least. It is a great scheme, and I take great credit to myself for having brought it into this Republican ridden state. Of course there are 75 or 80 other measures, but these are the ones we need. Don't forget 'em.

Afraid to Sign Letter.

"When we get these through, particularly the one which forbids the legislature to amend or repeal our laws, we intend to pass one by which we can call the referendum on supreme court decisions and on the veto of the governor. True, our governor at present is all right, but an accident might happen, and one of the enemy might be elected, and so veto some law we want.

"Beware of the men who are arguing and talking against these things. They are our hereditary foes. They believe in everything that we do not, and in nothing that we Dem-Pop-Socialists do. Encourage any Republican who talks Statement 1; pat him on the back, and jolly him all you can. He is one of our best friends, though he don't know what we have in store for him a little later.

"And now let me exhort you to be firm. We must relegate such old mossbacks as H. W. Scott, George H. Williams, E. L. Smith, Stephen A. Lowell, Judges Bean and Watson and others, who believe in the antiquated representative government, to the junk pile, and press forward the new statesmanship under the direction of our Johnnythan Bourne Sooner; Myself, Georgie C., Harry L., Thos. Green, General Jackson of The Journal, Herr Most, Shorty Goldrainer and other Dem-Pop-Socs. Yours for the cause,

"NEW STYLE REPUBLICAN(?)"

Second Circular Issued.

Following is the second circular labeled "The Real Object of Statement No. 1":

"During the last two years The Portland Journal has been proclaiming the doctrine of strict adherence to the spirit and letter of our laws, sanctimoniously urging all officials and good citizens who love their country to stand squarely on the principle of upholding them as we find them. Why has it been doing this? Read what it says editorially in its issue of February 19, 1908, confessing its hypocrisy and deceit in advocating Statement No. 1 as a matter of principle. Read how contemptuously it brushes aside our federal constitution—the very basis of our national existence. Remember, this is its editorial utterance, not a political effusion written by an irresponsible reporter for its sensational news columns. It is the well-digested, thoroughly calculated utterance of its proprietor and managing editor in referring to our organic law:

"'We have found (in Statement No. 1) an entirely legitimate, proper way to dodge the letter of the constitution and elect senators by direct vote of the people. Let us do it (dodge the constitution) without any conditions. Let us elect men to the legislature who will agree to this, and agree to keep their hands off!'"

"Calls It Treason."

"What amazing, unreasonable utterances! What a display of deception and hypocrisy! What anarchistic proposals—to strike at the very foundation of our governmental system! 'We have found a way (in Statement No. 1) to dodge the letter of the constitution!' No Judas Iscariot or Benedict Arnold ever could utter more damnable doctrine. Dodge the constitution of the United States—the very law that gives us life. And this from a Democratic organ-grinding sycophant who through all these years has been preaching personal and political honesty and masquerading as the friend of the people. When will you thinking, true loyal American Oregon Republicans awake to a realization of what a viper you are harboring in your midst? When will you decent, law-loving Democrats get your eyes open? How long will you aid and abet this doctrine of sedition and anarchy? How long will you continue voting to uphold its contention that we must by Statement No. 1 dodge the constitution, in order that George Chamberlain or some other of his political faith may be elected to the United States senate? Think of this monstrous doctrine—to hell with the constitution of the United States; to hell with the laws. 'We have found a way (in Statement No. 1) to dodge the constitution; let us do it without conditions. Let us elect men to the legislature who will agree to this, and agree to keep their hands off.'

"When will the scales fall from the eyes of you dreaming Republicans? Will you never see what these devilish utterances of this traitorous sheet mean? Will you still listen to its hypocritical, anarchistic cant in face of these utterances? Think! Think!! Think again!!! Then act. Stand by the party of Lincoln and Grant, which for a generation stamped out this hellish doctrine of dodging the constitution in the '60s. Crush it, now that it has reared its head again, before it rises to its full height and again attempts to take our national life. 'Dodge the constitution!' See this detestable, red-headed devil as it really is. Be warned in time by its anarchistic teachings. 'Dodge the constitution!' Without the constitution you would have no government. 'Dodge the constitution!'

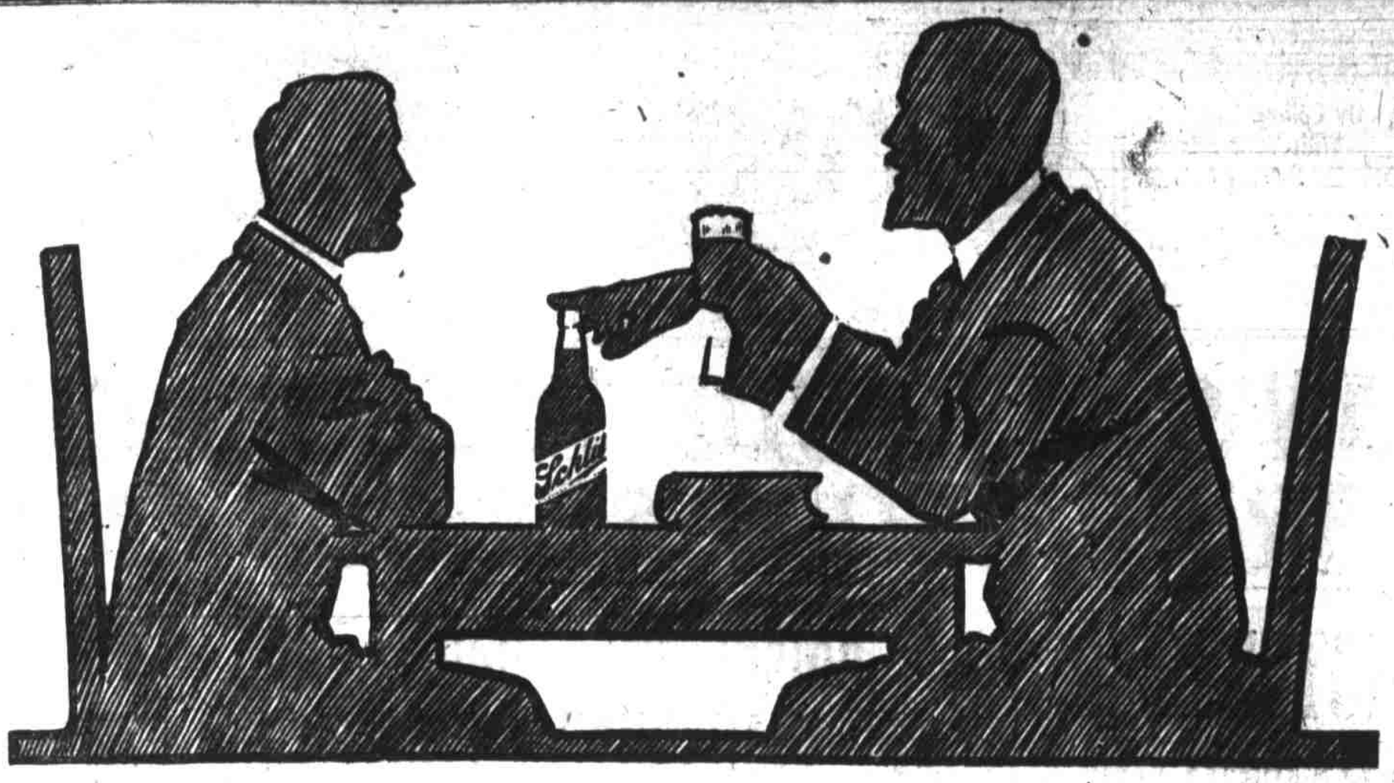
"Will you still continue to let this traitorous sheet lull you to sleep with its Statement No. 1 anaesthetic while it perfects its plan to cut from under you the very foundation on which your government, your personal liberty rests? 'Dodge the constitution. Elect men to the legislature who will agree to this, and agree to keep their hands off!' Think! Think!! Think again!!!"

Death Rate.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, March 7—Statistics published today by the census bureau show that in 1906 deaths due to tuberculosis averaged 159 to every 100,000 population. The highest rate was in Colorado and California and the lowest in Michigan and South Dakota.

The total deaths due to violence were 49,552 and 5,853 suicides were committed. There was a decrease over previous years. The rate published today is lower than that of Germany, Scotland or France.



The Doctor Knows.

Note what your Doctor drinks.

You will find it generally a beer, and a bottled beer. And the label is usually Schlitz.

He is a man who knows.

He knows that beer is healthful, and every day he prescribes it. The hops are a tonic, the barley is food. The trifle of alcohol is an aid to digestion.

That is why he drinks beer.

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Do as your Doctor does.

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HUNTS DOCTORS; GETS WRONG MEN

San Francisco Waiter Kills Chemist and Fatally Wounds Patient.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 7—Fred Ickler, a waiter, aged 21 years, last night shot and killed Floyd Bedell, a chemist, employed by the Miles Medical company, and shot and fatally wounded Richard Parker, a patient. The shooting took place in the offices of the medical company at Geary and Fillmore streets. Immediately after the tragedy Ickler disappeared.

While nearly the entire police force of the city was hunting everywhere for Ickler he walked into the main hall of the central police station and surrendered.

Ickler, in his story to the police, declared that he went to the offices of the Miles Medical company determined to murder Doctors B. B. Lee and C. H. Miles, heads of the company. He said he wanted revenge. For three months, Ickler declared, he had been under treatment by one or the other of these two doctors and had come to the conclusion that his malady was becoming more aggravated and that it was his money and not a cure that the doctors were seeking.

Ickler went to the office of the Miles Medical company about 5 o'clock last evening. At that time he could not find the men he was seeking and went away. He had carefully planned what he was about to do and in the interval between his first visit to the doctors' offices and his return he wrote several letters to friends, telling them that he was about to murder the two physicians for revenge.

In these letters he said that during the time he had been visiting the physicians he had spent more than $100 and received no benefit and had made up his mind that he was being robbed. He declared that he had fully made up his mind to kill the men who had been treating him.

OAKLAND PREPARES TO FIGHT PLAGUE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 7—At a special meeting of the Oakland city council that body appropriated $20,000 for the month of March to continue the war against the bubonic plague, signified its willingness to appropriate a like sum for each month as long as necessary, doomed the disease-breeding public dumps in west Oakland, instructed the board of works to make adequate arrangements at once to carry all garbage out, to set and to revoke the franchise of the Pacific Incinerating company, and finally turned over in all its details and completeness to Dr. John D. Long the task of exterminating the rats in the city.

Dr. Long was empowered to increase the salaries of all the men under him, most of whose wages had been cut when the monthly appropriations was decreased from $10,000 to $5,000, and to employ as many additional men as he deems necessary.

Umatilla-Morrow Fair Date.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., March 7—By action of the district fair board the date for the Umatilla-Morrow county fair next fall has been set for the week commencing September 28 and ending October 3. This is a week later than the date of the last fair. By adopting this date for the district fair the board has secured a week that will not conflict with any other fair in the northwest.

To Oaks Rink.

Tonight a grand march at 9:30. Open tomorrow all day; music morning, afternoon and evening. Monster masquerade St. Patrick's night, March 17. Come to the Oaks rink's St. Patrick's masquerade and hear those old, familiar Irish airs, as the musical program will be special on that night.

NUMBER CHANGE MAY LIFT HOODOO

Old No. 199, Veteran of Many Wrecks, in Shops for Rebuilding.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., March 7.—With a hoodoo hanging over her, and marks of half a dozen wrecks upon her boiler, engine 199 of the O. R. & N. passenger service, which was wrecked with train No. 6 this week at Pilot Rock junction, four miles west of this city, has been taken to the O. R. & N. shops at Albina for repairs. She was in the Cayuse wreck on April 10, 12 miles east of this city, and at various times has been a star actor in accidents on the Mountain division, and the enginemen are suspicious of her. Owing to the fact that her fittings were completely demolished in the wreck this week, she will have to be practically rebuilt. It is possible that her number will be changed when she is brought out of the shops.

MILTON YOUNG FOLKS GO AFTER CARNEGIE

Milton, Or., March 7.—At a meeting of the Milton Commercial association a committee of the young ladies from the Young People's union met wth the association for the purpose of securing aid from the association in building and equipping a pubic library. The association has appointed a committee to work in conjunction with the young people's committee. It is the intention to raise a fund of $2,500, and with a subscription which they expect to get from Andrew Carnegie it is thought a building to cost about $5,000 can be erected. Several hundred dollars has already been subscribed.

CAPTAIN DUDLEY ADMITS CHARGES

But Dark Closet and Dunce-cap Discipline Necessary, He Declares.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Boise, Ida., March 7.—The taking of testimony in the court martial of Captain Clarke D. Dudley of the Fourteenth United States cavalry, was concluded late yesterday afternoon. The decision will be submitted to the war department for approval before being made public.

The prosecution submitted testimony to the charge that Dudley, while commanding officer at Boise barracks, caused the imprisonment of a private soldier in a dark closet two by five feet for four days, allowing him bread and water once a day, and that another private was forced to wear a placard on his back with the inscription, "Bad, bad boy."

The accused admitted that these punishments were administered, but claimed extreme measures were necessary on account of the incorrigibility of the men.

TO START DREDGING SAN RAFAEL CANAL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Rafael, Cal., March 7.—Within a few days the work of dredging the San Rafael canal to a depth permitting freight steamers to come to the edge of the city will begin. The government has allowed $10,000 for the work and business men of San Rafael have subscribed a similar sum.