# OIL KING ON WITNESS STAND

## John D. Tells in Court of the Inception and Growth of the Octopus and How It Grew "Very Prosperous" Indeed.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Nov. 18.—John D. Rockefeller, king of the Standard Oil, with trembling steps took the witness stand today and with faltering voice, almost timorously, replied to questions before Commissioner Franklin Ferris in the government suit to dissolve the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

When he arrived at the federal building, he was greeted by a crowd of 100 reporters and 50 photographers.

Replying to questions as to when his connection with the Standard Oil company began, Rockefeller said:

"Not later than 1862, and not earlier than 1860."

An attorney suggested, "He was a young man."

"Somewhat younger than I am now," replied the witness, with a faintly flickering smile than soon died away.

In answer to further questions he said:

"In 1867 all the warehouses, the refinery and the sales business of Rockefeller and Andrews were entirely absorbed by Rockefeller and Flagler."

John G. Milburn, one of the Standard attorneys, asked:

"Was Henry M. Flagler a new acquisition to the company?"

"Mr. Flagler was a man of large business capacity and a valuable addition," replied the oil king. The witness then said he did not change the form of his business affairs until January, 1870, when a number of distinguished capitalists were added, in the formation of the Standard Oil company of Ohio, with a capital stock of $1,000,000. He said:

The Standard Oil company of Ohio took over the property and business of Rockefeller and company; Rockefeller, Andrews and company, and Rockefeller, and Rockefeller, Andrews and Flagler—in fact, all of the business in which I was interested. Up to this time the business has been one steady growth in commercial and financial lines. We had no other business."

This is Rockefeller's second appearance on the witness stand. He appeared before Judge Landis in Chicago last year after weeks had been spent in trying to serve a subpoena on him. This time he appeared willingly.

The present suit was brought in the United States circuit court at St. Louis and Farris is sitting as a special commissioner for the purpose of hearing evidence.

**"Prosperous Indeed."**

Continuing his testimony, Rockefeller said:

"Up to the last merger the Standard Oil company interests were confined to operations in Venango county, Pennsylvania, and the maintaining of refineries at Cleveland, Baltimore, New York, Parkersburg, W. Va., and Oil City, Pa.

"Our operations were prosperous, indeed. In fact, they were known to be so prosperous that many others stepped out to compete with us by the erection and operation of all sorts and conditions of refineries, according to the capital the competitors were able to control."

The witness was led at great length through the explanation of the physical development of the refineries and said:

"Andrews was at the head of the department and thoroughly understood the refining and manufacture of good oil. We found Cleveland the most accessible for our domestic trade."

"Was not the million capitalization of Standard of Ohio very large?" asked Milburn.

"I should say it was very, very large," said the witness. "It seemed very large to us who had started less than ten years before with a capital of $4,000."

Rockefeller explained the absorption of subsidiary companies to make barrels and other supplies, saying they were unable to purchase elsewhere and found it more expedient to manufacture them themselves.

Tomorrow and Friday, positively the last days for discount on East Side gas bills. Don't forget to read gas tips.

# DECLINES DRINK; IS SHOT IN BACK

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chico, Cal., Nov. 18.—Because he refused to take a second drink with two drunken Indians, John Beese was shot in the back and seriously injured, 25 miles from here last night. Dan Thompson, the Indian who is reported to have done the shooting, was captured early today while terrorizing a hamlet. His companion, Herbert Gould, was arrested by a sheriff's posse.

Beese declares that he met the Indians on a lonely road. After drinking with them at their behest he refused a second offer and was shot. He bullet entered his back and came out at the shoulder. He will recover.

Gould, one of the Indians, told his captors that Thompson, while crazy drunk, tried to kill him.

# BODY OF PROSPECTOR FOUND ON DESERT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Bernardino, Cal., Nov. 18.—Efforts are being made to locate relatives of Frank Sweeney, a veteran prospector, who disappeared last August, and, it has just been learned, perished in the desert. Martin Flynn, another prospector, returned to San Bernardino today and reported finding Sweeney's body between Clark Canyon and Sheep Creek.

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# THOUGHT BELLA TRIED TO POISON

## Joseph Maxson, Who Was in Gunness House Night of Fire, Tells Story.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Laporte, Ind., Nov. 18.—Joseph Maxson, who was employed at the Gunness farm at the time of the fire which destroyed the house, was on the stand in the Lamphere trial today. He described the incidents of the night of the fire. He said that Mrs. Gunness, the three children and he ate a hearty meal and enjoyed themselves until bedtime by playing games. He was awakened by smoke in his room about 4 o'clock in the morning and his first thought was that Mrs. Gunness was getting breakfast and the smoke was coming from the stove.

He then described how he got up, dressed and looked at his watch, finding it was too early for breakfast. He said he then tried to kick down the door opening into the main part of the house, where the woman and three children slept, but was unable to do so. He said he then went down stairs and tried to break in the front door with an ax, but was unsuccessful.

Maxson testified that last April Bella Gunness had offered him an orange, which he ate, and that he became drowsy immediately after he ate it. He said he went out into the air, however, and was refreshed.

On the night of the fire, said Maxson, Bella gave him another orange, which he thought tasted queer, but he ate it and it had no ill effects. He said he thought he slept unusually sound that night.

# COST OF O. R. & N. WAS $33,000,000

## State Commission Completes Investigations of Road's Initial Expenses.

According to the current issue of the Railroad Age Gazette, the Oregon railcommission, which has been at work investigating the original cost of the O. R. & N. and the Corvallis & Eastern, has completed its work and finds that the O. R. & N. cost $33,297,828 and the Corvallis & Eastern $4,250,000. The Gazette says:

"The railroad commission of Oregon has completed an investigation of the original cost and cost of reproduction of the lines of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and of the Corvallis & Eastern. From the report of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company to the commission it appeared that the original cost of construction and equipment and of betterments and additions on the lines in Oregon, excluding the Columbia Southern, the Columbia River & Oregon Central and the Umatilla Central, was $33,297,828. The estimate of the commission's engineer of the cost of reproducing the lines and equipment is said to be $35,067,195, but this, it is stated, does not include the right-of-way and grounds, costing $290,000, which sum increases the total estimated expense of reproduction to $35,537,195.

"The testimony of Wallis Nash, who disbursed the money for construction of the Corvallis & Eastern, was that he had disbursed $4,250,000, but this included $200,000 spent to hold a right-of-way in Malheur county and other sums expended on the Willamette river and for steamboats and ocean-going tugs at Yaquina bay. The commission's engineer therefore estimates the cost of reproduction of this road, with equipment, at $3,912,322. The total mileage of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company covered is 544, making the valuation upon it $63,325 per mile. The length of the Corvallis & Eastern is 142 miles, making an average estimated valuation for it of $27,550 per mile."

# MANY RACERS REACH EL PASO

(United Press Leased Wire.)

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 18.—Representatives of W. M. Murray, a well-known horseman, arrived here today from Salt Lake to superintend the building of 300 extra stalls to accommodate horses which will be brought from Latonia track, Louisiana and Salt Lake for the 60-day race meet to be held here, commencing December 5.

Many noted strings of thoroughbreds will winter here. Over $100,000 has already been given in purses.

# MANY PLAN CHEER FOR ROSE EYTINGE

Widespread interest not only throughout Portland but the country at large has developed in the Rose Eytinge benefit which is to be given tomorrow afternoon at the Heilig theatre by Mrs. Mina Cecilia Gleason and other friends of the famous actress.

An interesting feature of the benefit is that many letters have been received by Mrs. Gleason from people in New York and other eastern cities enclosing checks for the benefit and expressing their affection for Mrs. Eytinge. Many of the writers, although they had not known "Lady Rose" personally, had so frequently heard of the pleasure she had given others that they wished to join in the birthday testimonial of tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Gleason announced today that the following well-known young society women would sell flowers at the benefit: The Misses Dorothy Morrison, Genevive Thompson, Frances Wilson, Ethel Chamberlain, Milla Wessinger, Lisa Wood, Lee Bingham and Miss Crocker. The members of the Baker Stock company will sell photographs of Rose Eytinge. The chaperones will be Mrs. Fred Chamberlain, Mrs. W. T. Pangle and Mrs. George Baker.

Instead of the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet," which had been announced, Miss Jewell will give recitations assisted by her sister, Miss Kent; through a stress of other work will not give the act from "Magda," but instead Mrs. Gleason will give her famous monologue. Other acts in the benefit will be the Four Musical McLarens from the Grand; Miss Augusta Glose, from the Orpheum; Miss Marguerite Egbert will give some character reading; Elsie Garrett will sing selections from "Carmen"; Lucile Webster, William L. Gleason and James Gleason will give Will Cressey's latest sketch, Mrs. Goddard of Ypsilanti; Maribel Seymour will sing "Swastika Sue" with a chorus and electrical effects, and there will be acts from "Little Johnny Jones" at the Baker and from the other theatres of the city.

**Woman Assaulted.**

Long Beach, Cal., Nov. 18.—Mrs. J. D. Ford, 50 years of age, was assaulted late yesterday afternoon by unknown thugs at her home here. She was bound and gagged and left for dead on the floor. After her husband had discovered and released her but before she could give any details of the attack, she lapsed into unconsciousness and has been hovering between life and death. The police have arrested a man on suspicion.

# NONE LOWER; SOME HIGHER

## California Hopgrower Makes Special Point of the Hop and Lemon Tariffs.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Nov. 18.—E. F. Woodward, a hopgrower of Santa Rosa, Cal., a banker, appeared as chairman of the California tariff commission appointed by Governor Gillett of that state, at today's hearing before the ways and means committee of the house of representatives. He explained that he did not come to recommend a reduction on any article but to ask that the present tariff be maintained with the exception of the tariff on hops and lemons, which he desires to have increased.

Congressman Champ Clark said:

"More God Almighty for your state, is what you want."

"God has done much for California," replied Woodward, "but the men of California have also done considerable with the aid of a beneficent tariff and they don't want that help taken from them."

Congressman Fordney drew attention to the fact that prunes are cheaper now under protection than they were under no protection.

Fordney and Woodward agreed that other fruits, under continuous protection, might become cheaper, and Woodward mentioned the discovery that apples that cost $3 a box in Oregon cost $25 cents each at a hotel here.

A. F. Call of Corona, Cal., made a special plea for a higher tariff on lemons.

# UMATILLA'S TAX ROLL COMPLETED

## Total Value of Taxable Property Is Shown to Be $25,272,960.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Nov. 18.—The wealth of Umatilla county as shown by the tax roll just completed by Assessor Strain is $25,272,960.70, something like $16,000,000 less than that of last year when Umatilla county had the greatest roll of any county in the state except Multnomah, but sufficient to give it the rank of third when the rolls are footed up for the coming season. The loss in valuation is not due to prohibition in Umatilla county, but to the fact that the assessments this year are made on a valuation of between 60 and 70 per cent of that of last, a reduction made by Assessor Strain to make the assessment more equitable with regard to the assessment of other counties in the state.

The figures of the assessor show that almost half of the wealth of the county lies in its lands, tillable and non-tillable and improved and unimproved, while over one fifth of the wealth of the county is credited to the railroad roadbeds.

The city property of the county is improved to a value of $200,000, approximately, more than the land upon which the improvements stand, according to the assessor's figures.

According to the assessor's return, out of the $25,000,000 of wealth that Umatilla county boasts there is only $118,000 cash, while the value of stocks in various enterprises amounts to $415,000 more.

Owing to the exemption of $300 per person which in many instances was given on stock, the number of head of various domestic animals shown is less than last year, while the value, due to a fall in prices of stock, is also considerably less.

# MYRICK HOMESTEAD IS PURCHASED

Charles K. Henry yesterday closed a deal for the sale of the old Myrick homestead, located on the west side of Fifth street, between Pine and Ankeny streets. The property is immediately across the street from the Marshall-Wells company's building and has a frontage of 113 feet on Fifth street, 50 feet on Pine and 52 feet on Ankeny. It was sold for $75,000. For the present, the names of the purchasers are withheld, although the property is understood to have been purchased by two wealthy lumbermen, who contemplate improving the site with a six story office or business building.

By realty men this is considered the best sale that has been made since Mr. Henry negotiated the deals whereby T. B. Wilcox purchased the southeast corner of Sixth and Washington and the quarter block immediately north of and adjoining the Imperial hotel.

The property was owned by Russell & Blyth.

# GERMAN WHO SHOT JUDGE LIVED HERE

Wilhelm Grosser, the man who last Monday shot and killed the clerk of the supreme civil tribunal and wounded the presiding judge at Leipsic, Germany, was a former resident of Oregon, according to Attorney Charles J. Schnabel, who stated this morning that he used to be the man's attorney.

Grosser at that time lived at Willamina, near Oregon City, and was well known in this part of the state. He was rich and eccentric, living in a German villa, and often doing things that his neighbors thought strange. Grosser would never come to Portland, fearing that he would be served with papers in some litigation. He returned to Germany not long since.

Grosser was one of the litigants in a contested will case at Leipsic. When the judge announced the verdict against him, Grosser drew a revolver and killed the clerk and seriously wounded the judge.

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# LAST RITES FOR MORRIS HAAS

## Rabbis Decline, and Red Men Conduct Service — Inquest Tomorrow.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—Attended by just a few friends and his four little children, the body of Morris Haas, the man who shot Francis J. Heney and afterwards killed himself, was given the last rites today. The ceremonies were conducted by Bald Eagle Tribe No. 75, Red Men, to which Haas belonged, after the rabbis of the church to which Haas belonged, had refused to conduct the ceremonies.

The services were held at the late residence of the would-be assassin. Mrs. Haas was not present. She is still prostrated and may not recover from the shock she suffered from the incidents following the attempt on Heney's life by her husband.

The funeral was pathetic. There were but few flowers and these served but to accentuate the ugly wound on his forehead, the mark of which the undertakers were unable to obliterate. The body lay in a cloth covered casket at the head of which sat Haas' four little children, too frightened to cry and too young to understand the terrible position in which their father's crime had left them.

A cordon of police stood on the sidewalk to prevent any possible disturbance. The room was filled with friends of the Haas family.

Senior Sagamore George T. Marcus read the funeral services. As he read, "Death enters in the marble halls of legislation," a shudder ran through the room.

But eight carriages followed the hearse to Odd Fellows' cemetery. The body was placed in a vault, where it will lie until after the coroner's inquest tomorrow.

# LATHAN HEARING OFF TO 7 P. M.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 18.—The hearing of Detective William J. Burns' application for a requisition to bring Abe Ruef's chauffeur back to San Francisco from Oregon, before Secretary Cooper, acting for Governor Gillett, who is ill, this afternoon, was postponed to 7 o'clock tonight through the nonarrival of the attorneys from San Francisco.

Burns asserts that the "higher ups" are behind Lathan and have their reasons for fighting extradition. He asserts that he will get the necessary papers when he makes his showing of a felony charge against Lathan.

# MATTHIAS JANCIJAG IS FOUND GUILTY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Oregon City, Or., Nov. 18.—Matthias Jancijag was convicted of murder in the first degree last night at 8 o'clock, after the jury had been out two hours and ten minutes. The prisoner maintained the same stoical demeanor that has marked his attitude throughout the trial. Judge McBride will pronounce sentence on him Friday morning. His counsel will have until that time to move for a new trial.

The arguments of counsel commenced at 1:30 yesterday afternoon, George C. Brownell opening on the part of the state. Mr. Brownell handled the subject clearly and logically. He was followed by W. A. Dimick and J. U. Campbell, each of whom made an eloquent plea for the life of their client. District Attorney Tongue delivered the closing argument.

The arguments closed at 5:15, when Judge McBride read his instructions to the jury.

On the defense of insanity, the jury was instructed that in order to find the defendant guilty, it would be necessary, from the evidence offered and carefully weighed, to believe him insane, at the time of the commission of the murder, beyond all reasonable doubt.

The jury retired in charge of Bailiff Patterson at 5:30, and at 8 o'clock the bailiff announced that they had agreed. At 8:30 Judge McBride opened court and the verdict of murder in the first degree was handed in, and read by Clerk Greenman.

There will be no more criminal trials this term. A special term will be fixed for the trial of the criminal cases now pending.

# LIQUOR QUESTION INTERESTS CAMAS

Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 18.—At the convention held at Camas last evening full tickets were put in the field for the election on December 8. The convention was harmonious, although underneath there were conflicting currents on the question of liquor licenses.

For mayor, M. P. Brown and John A. Vowan were nominated. For the council, N. J. O'Brien and H. C. Karnath, Charles Litz and F. B. Champlain were chosen. There are two to elect by first and second choice. John Karnabt and O. Johnson received the nomination for treasurer.

The issue at stake is whether or not Camas, which last year became a full-fledged city, shall continue to have saloons. Candidate Brown heads the anti-saloon element, but as yet no definite move has been made by either side.

# ROBERTSON ADMITS TOO MANY MARRIAGES

Ward Robertson, alias John Roberts, 55 years old, pleaded guilty before Judge Gantenbein this afternoon to the charge of polygamy. It is claimed that Robertson carried on a vivacious flirtation with Julia Gundlach at the beach last summer. Robertson, it seems, has a wife living in Beaverton. The woman claimed that Robertson had her hypnotized. Robertson claimed that the woman had him hypnotized also. They were married in Vancouver several weeks ago. He will be sentenced tomorrow afternoon.

# HENEY REPORTS ALL FAVORABLE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—Latest reports from Lane hospital show steady improvement in the condition of Francis J. Heney. His temperature was slightly above normal and every indication is that no complications will follow. The patient is as yet denied visitors. He is able to take only liquid nourishment.

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# NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

The following new books may be examined at the public library during this week and will be ready for circulation tomorrow:

BIOGRAPHY.

Harvey—William Harvey, by D'Arcy Power. 1897.
Huss—John Huss, by L. O. Kuhns. 1907.
Victoria, Queen of Great Britain—Letters of Queen Victoria, ed. by A. C. Benson, 3 v., 1907.

BOOKS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.

Arrhenius—Das Werden der Welten.
Haeckel—Dis Lebensurinder.
Heegaard—Astronomi.
Maistre—Les Prisonniers du Caucase.
Meyer—Den Forste Barnepleje.
Rasmussen—Verdens Udviklingen.
Wallace—Des Menschen Stellung im Weltall.

DESCRIPTION AND TRAVEL.

Calvert—The Escorial, a historical and descriptive account of the Spanish royal palace, 1907.
Paget—Genius Loci, notes on places. 1898.
Ross—Old Florence and Modern Tuscany, 1904.

FICTION.

Anderson—The Heart of the Red Firs.
Hartley—My Lady of Cleeve.
Martin—The Betrothal of Elypholate and Other Tales of the Pennsylvania Dutch.
Tompkins—Dr. Ellen.

FINE ARTS.

Chalkovski—Tchalkovski; by E. M. Lee. 1906.
Chapman—Four Plays for Children. 1908.
Hasluck, ed.—Photographic Studios and dark Rooms. 1907.
Lawrence—Sir Thomas Lawrence; by R. S. Clouston. 1908.
Newberry — Egyptian Antiquities; Scarabs. 1906.
San Carolo & Daniel—Common-Sense of Voice Development. 1906.
Watts—G. F. Watts, by W. K. West. 1905.

HISTORY.

Elliot—Chile, It's History and Development. 1907.

LITERATURE.

Evans, ed.—English Masques. 1897.
Gilder—The Fire Divine. 1907.
Phelps—The Beginnings of the English Romantic Movement. 1893.
Pinero—Trelawney of the "Wells"; a comedietta in four acts. 1898.

PHILOSOPHY.

Mencken—The Philosophy of Friedrich Neitzsche. 1908.

SCIENCE.

Kunz—History of the Gems Found in North Carolina. 1907.
Mershon—The Passenger Pigeon. 1907.
Simms—Butterfly and Moth Collecting. Ed. 2, Rev. N. D.

SOCIOLOGY.

Brown—China in legend and story. 1907.
Le Rossignol—Orthodox socialism; a criticism. 1907.
More—Wage earners' budgets. 1907.
Taft—Present day problems; a collection of addresses delivered on various occasions. 1908.

USEFUL ARTS.

Bale—Woodworking machinery; ed 2. 1894.
Cody—How to do business by letter; ed. 4. 1908.
Green—One thousand simple soups. 1907.
Nichols, comp.—Automobilists' ready legal advisor. 1908.
Taylor—Practical cement testing. 1908.
Taylor—Resistance of ships and screw propulsion. 1907.
Terry—Pigment, paint and painting. 1893.
Tower—History of the American whale fishery. 1907.

BOOKS ADDED TO REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Association of American Portland Cement Manufacturers—Competitive designs for concrete houses of moderate cost, n. d.
Bledsoe—Business Law for Business Men, 1907.
American Gas Institute—Proceedings, 1907.
Joly—Meisterwerks der Baukunst und des Kunstgewerbes in Spanien, 2 v.
Munich—Konigliche Alte Pinakothek, Katalog der Gemaldesammlung.
Poore's Manual of the Railroads of the United States, 1908.
United States—Engineer Department, Engineer Field Manual, ed. 2, rev., 1907.
United States—Ordnance Department, Gun Making in the United States, 1907.

BOOKS ADDED TO JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

Dalkeith—Little Plays.
Hornaday—Taxidermy.
Johnston & Barnum—Book of Plays for Little Actors.
Powell—Making Poultry Pay.
Rice—National Standard Squab Book.

The Laguna dam on the Colorado river, which the government is building to reclaim 130,000 acres of land for settlement, weighs 600,000 tons and rests on shifting sands. The engineers could not find solid foundation.

# YOUNG BOB GETS HIS REPRIMAND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—The official reprimand to Lieutenant Frank T. Evans, son of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, retired, that followed his conviction by general court martial, because of misconduct while with the Atlantic fleet, was made public by acting Secretary of the Navy Newberry today.

The department's letter says in part: "The department, for reasons obvious to the service, regards this as an especially deplorable case and in publishing its disapproval of the conduct of Lieutenant Evans, refrains from expressing fully its condemnation of the actions of this officer on the occasion in question."

# PAVING RECORD OF 1908 IS GREAT ONE

## Twenty-Six Blocks Hard Surfaced Already, and Entire Business District Lined Out.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 18.—If all of the streets are improved during spring and summer for which the council has passed resolutions of intention to improve, Vancouver will possess one of the best systems of streets of any city its size in the northwest. In addition to these other improvements are talked of and some will undoubtedly be effected.

During 1908 26 blocks of hard surfaced pavement has been laid. This includes practically the entire business district and has converted Washington street, one of the busiest of the city, from a mudhole, into a modern thoroughfare. Aside from this, about four miles of gravel streets have been completed in the residence districts.

The council has already adopted resolutions to improve Tenth and Eleventh streets their entire length, except a block or so near the garrison. This improvement will serve the heavy traffic to and from the new union depot of the North Bank and Northern Pacific. The council has also decided to pave First, Second and Ninth streets between Main and Washington, which will complete the paving of the business district. At the last meeting it was decided to open Columbia street from the river to Third and pave it with a hard surfaced material.

# WATER PROJECT UP TOMORROW NIGHT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 18.—At the adjourned meeting of the council next Thursday evening two matters of importance will come up for consideration. The much discussed and long waiting water project is expected to occupy most of the time.

Councilman Kiggins now has what he believes complete statistics in regard to the cost of providing Vancouver with ample fire protection, along with excellent drinking water. At the Thursday meeting, it is understood, an effort will be made to bring the matter to a head.

The purchase of a street sweeper will also be considered, and the advantages of various makes looked into. It will probably be definitely decided whether a sweeper will be purchased now or in the spring.

**Floods Receding.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Bellingham, Wash., Nov. 18.—Today's reports from the towns along the Nooksack and Skagit rivers indicate that the early reports of the flood were exaggerated. The two rivers are higher than they have been at any time this fall, but the water is now receding rapidly and no further damage is expected.

# HUGE FRAUD IS LAID BARE

## According to Charges Filed at Pendleton, Stockmen of Northwest Are the Victims of a Shrewd Goldbrick Scheme.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Nov. 18.—A. C. Ruby of Portland, M. C. Metz of Pendleton, and more than a dozen other prominent horse and jack breeders and importers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, are alleged to have been victimized by a scheme by which they paid $20,000 cash for the privilege of selling $100,000 worth of stallions and jacks to four shrewd stockmen of the Camas Prairie in Idaho, who are averred to have given them in return worthless notes to that amount, according to charges made in a complaint filed here, upon which an attachment was issued yesterday and the first car of the stock seized here last night as it was being shipped to Boise to be sold to satisfy the claim of one of the alleged victims.

**How It Was Worked.**

The method used was shrewd. Major Ferris, J. M. and George Lamb and G. H. Sheldon secured letters of credit from Idaho bankers. Furnishing W. R. Clemens with a supply of notes signed by them in blank, they sent him as agent to buy stock, in each case he arranged with the stockmen to pay them more than the standard price of the animal, in return for which the agent was to receive a commission to the amount of the excess in cash. The transfer was made, the notes were accepted without question in every instance, and the agent paid the commissions, amounting in all to $20,000.

**The Alleged Victims.**

The alleged victims were A. C. Ruby, Portland, one horse, $4,500, commission $1,400; M. C. Metz, Pendleton, one horse, $4,500, commission $1,400; J. E. Mason, Spokane, two horses, $8,000, commission $1,000; A. P. Miller, Oakesdale, one jack, one horse, $8,000, commission, $2,250; William Chamberlain, Colfax, one jack, $2,500; commission, $750; V. Kingsland Brothers, Spokane, one horse, $4,500, commission, $1,500; George Wilson, Wilbur, one jack, $2,000; commission, $650; Joe Gilliam, Garfield, two jacks, $3,600, commission, $1,000; R. W. Case, Pendleton, one jack, $3,600, commission, $1,000; E. B. Canby, Wilbur, one jack, $3,500, commission, $850; M. C. Gray, Pullman, two horses, $8,900, commission, $1,500; Davies & Gibson, Moscow, one horse, $2,500; commission, $500; J. H. Hoagland, Rosalia, one horse, $3,500, commission, $550.

Other losers of Portland are J. H. Edwards, Tom Ferris and West Lloud. V. W. N. Thompson of Boise was victimized for one horse at $5,000 and $1,000 commission. He joined with the others in causing the arrest of the Idaho men and securing an attachment on the stock at their farm. On Monday he secured a release of the attachment and by an alleged sale got possession of the stock, which he was shipping to Boise, where he planned to sell it to satisfy his own claims and then pay the others from what was left.

Major Ferries, the Lamb Brothers, Sheldon, Clemens and V. W. N. Thompson are named as defendants in the suit.

The stock seized last night is held here by W. Z. Thompson, the receiver appointed by the court, and should the other carload on their way to Boise not be turned back before reaching Umatilla county they will also be seized here.

# LABOR LEADERS AT WHITE HOUSE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Nov. 18.—The boycott was the chief subject at the "Roosevelt labor dinner" last night, which was not attended by John Mitchell, James Duncan or Daniel J. Keefe, who were among the leaders invited.

One guest said today that the name of Samuel Gompers was not mentioned and that there was no criticism of the American Federation of Labor. Though the boycott was discussed at length, it was dealt with in a general way and nothing definite was determined. The president assured his guests that the new administration would seek the assistance of laboring men in pursuing their policy of advancement.

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