

LAND GRANT CASE NEARLY READY FOR COURT'S DECISION

Assistant Attorney Gen'l Townsend, Home From Washington, Says Government Has Made Strong Showing.

B. D. Townsend, special assistant United States attorney general, and prosecutor of the Oregon and California land grant case, returned to Portland last night after a long stay in Washington, D. C. Mr. Townsend expects that the land grant case will be speedily passed on through its further stages and be finally considered by the courts within a very short time. Not only is he confident of an early adjudication of the case, but he is very confident that the contentions of the government will be upheld by Judge Wolverson, when the court hands down its opinion.

Delays Necessary.
Mr. Townsend was reluctant to discuss what has been considered the delay on the part of the government in filing the government's brief in the land grant case, and contends that any delay which might have occurred should be charged up to his account and not to Attorney General Wickham.
"I went back to Washington in December," said Mr. Townsend, "taking the manuscript of the government's brief with me. It was all completed except one short section, and for this I required certain documents to be found in the Washington library only."
"I also desired to go over the brief with Attorney General Wickham thoroughly. He is very much interested in the Oregon and California grant case, and considers it one of the biggest pieces of litigation undertaken by the department of justice."

Other Cases Need Attention.
"The Standard Oil case, the tobacco trust case, the rate cases and a number of other important and immediate cases were pressing the attorney general and it was some time before I was able to discuss the land grant case with him at any length. Finally the attorney general took a day off and we went over the brief carefully. Then it was ordered printed."

"The brief is a long and exhaustive document. I did all the proof reading myself and it required three weeks to do that part of the work alone. So it will be seen that the preparation of the document was no slight task. The desire of the government to be more than careful, and to make the most of all points, and to bring out every phase of the argument, caused long and careful consideration and preparation."

"My winter in Washington has been no vacation I can assure you," concluded Mr. Townsend, "and I am glad to get back to Portland. I hope I will never have to go to Washington again."

Townsend In Charge of Case.
As a result of his conferences with the attorney general and his long discussions concerning the Oregon and California land grant case, Mr. Townsend has been placed in full charge of the case, and will press it vigorously through to final decision. Following the filing of the government's brief, attorneys for the Oregon and California railroad, took 60 days in which to file a reply brief. It is expected that they will have filed their answer within the time, and that a short time after this is done that Judge Wolverson will hand down his decision in the case.

The government is contending for the forfeiture of the land grant given to the Oregon & California Railroad company and now held by the Southern Pacific company, because of the refusal of the company to abide by the terms of the grant and sell land to actual settlers at not more than \$12.50 an acre. Should the government be successful in its effort, Mr. Townsend feels confident will be the case, great reaches of valuable timber and agricultural land will be thrown open to settlement.

PIONEER NEWSPAPER MAN DIES AT RIPE AGE

Colonel Van Cleve, 77 years old, a well known pioneer of Oregon, and the first mayor of Albany, died yesterday at St. Joseph's Home for the Aged, at Mount Tabor. Death is attributed to old age. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. from the undertaking parlors of Dunning & McIntire, under the auspices of St. Francis and St. John's churches. The body will be in the Rose City cemetery. Rev. L. A. Wells of the First church, will officiate.
Mr. Van Cleve was born at Lebanon, Ill., in 1833. At the age of 18 he established a newspaper at Springfield, Ill. He served as a captain in the Civil war and soon after came to Oregon. For several years he was actively engaged in newspaper work, one time as editor of the Albany Register. Later he edited papers at Yacolt and Toledo. During President Arthur's administration he was collector of customs at Yacolt. He was the father of 13 children of whom but six survive: Archie C. Jay L. and Fred A. Van Cleve of Portland; Harry M. Van Cleve of Salt Lake City, Utah; Ralph S. Van Cleve of Toledo, and Mrs. Floyd A. Williams of Independence. A step-son, Edward Mack, lives in Portland.

G. A. R. CONVENTION CLOSES AT ASTORIA

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Astoria, Or., June 25.—The G. A. R. closed its sessions here yesterday after one of the most successful conventions ever held. A surprise was in store for the old soldiers when it was found that one of the 10 survivors of the gunners who really won the fight at the battle of Antietam was present.
The ladies of the G. A. R. elected officers yesterday as follows:
President, Mrs. Letty Homberg, Lents; senior vice-president, Mrs. Anna S. Prior, Eugene; junior vice-president, Mrs. Elizabeth Feghtling, Portland; treasurer, Mrs. Asabel Bolson, Albany; chaplain, Mrs. Jennie M. Brown, Albany; counsel, Mrs. Sarah Denney, Albany; George Stays, Portland; Mrs. Hattie Reeves, Woodburn; counselor, Mrs. Ella G. Himes, Portland; delegate-at-large, Mrs. Lydia J. V. Hatch, Woodburn; alternate, Mrs. Katherine Smith, Eugene; delegate, Mrs. Jennie Lyon, Portland; Sadie Kemp, Woodburn; alternates, Mrs. Jennie M. Brown, Albany; Mrs. Sarah Zehring, Portland.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

COMMISSION PLAN FOR REGULATION OF BIG CORPORATIONS

Committee Appointed to Inquire Into System Recommends Law Like New York's for Portland.

By initiative petition a local law for commission regulation of municipal public service corporations will be put before the voters at the November election. Findings of a committee appointed from east side clubs to investigate the merits of such a law have just been reported, with an unqualified recommendation for the law's passage.

The system of regulation for public service corporations in New York has been used as the basis of recommendations. The plans in use in St. Louis and other cities were also examined.
"We found nowhere so complete and effective a system as in New York," said Ben Riesland, chairman of the committee, this morning. "We want a commission to be appointed that will regulate the service given by not only the street railway company, but electric light, telephones and telegraph, and so on down the line to the taxicabs. Anything, in fact, that serves the people."

System Increases Efficiency.
"It should be made clear that this commission will not interfere with the functions of the state railway commission. All its power would be municipal. Records obtained from New York show that the public service commission there has increased efficiency of public service corporations, has decreased mortality, has added to popular conveniences and has not increased operating expense."

The following statement from New York shows the duties imposed in New York on common carriers:

"1. They must furnish such service and facilities as shall be safe and adequate and in all respects just and reasonable.
"2. All charges made or demanded for service rendered shall be just and reasonable.
"3. They must file with the commission and keep open for public inspection, schedules showing the rates of fares and charges for the transportation of passengers and property."
"4. They must provide switch and sidetrack connections.
"5. There must be no special rates, rebates or unjust discrimination."

No Free Tickets.
"6. There must be no free tickets, free pass or free transportation of freight in railroad lots.
"7. They must have sufficient and suitable cars for the transportation of freight in railroad lots.
"8. Railroads and street railroads must have sufficient cars and motive power to meet all requirements for the transportation of passengers and property that may reasonably be anticipated."

"Powers granted to the commission—In order that the commission may see that the public is adequately treated, they are given power:
"1. To examine into the general condition, capitalization, franchises, and management of all common carriers.
"2. To examine all books, contracts, records, documents and papers and compel their production.
"3. To establish a uniform system of accounts and prescribe the manner in which they shall be kept.
"4. To prescribe the form of annual reports.
"5. To require reports as to accidents and to investigate the same.
"6. To order repairs, improvements and changes in tracks, switches, terminals, bridges, or any other property or device, in order to secure adequate service.
"7. To order increases in the number of trains, cars or motive power, or changes in the time of starting trains or cars.
"8. To investigate as to any act done or omitted to be done in violation of law or of any order of the commission.
"9. To fix maximum rates that may be charged.
"10. To entertain complaints by aggrieved persons and, after hearing thereon, to order the carriers to make such changes as will remove the cause of complaint."

"Subjects upon which commission's approval is essential. In order that the franchises and capitalization of public service corporations may be properly controlled, the act provides for the approval of the proper commission, for example:
"1. A certificate from the commission is required before a railroad or street railroad or gas or electric company may begin new construction or the exercise of a franchise not theretofore exercised.
"2. A franchise to own or operate a railroad or street railroad, or gas or electric company, cannot be transferred or assigned without the approval of the commission, nor is a contract relating thereto valid without the approval of the commission.
"3. A railroad or street railroad company may not acquire any of the stock of a similar corporation without the consent of the commission, nor may any stock corporation hold more than 10 per cent of any public service corporation without the consent of the commission."

Penalties for Violation.
"4. A merger or consolidation of existing companies can be made only with the approval of the commission, and even then there must be no capitalization of the merged company.
"5. The conclusions of the commission as to matters affecting companies are expressed in orders to the companies. Failure to comply with an order or with the provisions of the law subjects the companies to drastic penalties. Each day's violation constitutes a separate offense, and if the violator be a common carrier, the penalty is \$1000; if other than a common carrier, \$1000. Every individual who aids or abets any violation of an order of the commission, or who fails to obey or aids in the violation of an order of the commission, or who fails to obey an order of the commission, is guilty of a misdemeanor. In addition, the commission may commence in the courts an action to secure compliance with an order of the commission, or to any action to which a commission is a party, precedence is given over all cases on the calendar, except election cases."

MILLIONAIRE OF MIKADO'S KINGDOM



Kishizel Mural, Tokio, Japan, and his wife and daughter, from pictures taken in Washington. Mr. Mural is one of the wealthiest men in the little kingdom of the mikado and is perhaps the only man in the world in the oil industry who turned down a Rockefeller proposition to come in and be absorbed, and who was not crushed to ruin in his business because of his refusal. Mr. Mural is very progressive and expressed himself as delighted with the evidence of prosperity he saw in this country.

CITY OWNERSHIP UPHELD BY COURT

Geary Street Railroad Bonds Made Valid by California's Supreme Tribunal.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, June 25.—The supreme court of California today decided that San Francisco has the right to enter into municipal ownership of public utilities, when it handed down a unanimous decision upholding the city's contention in the suit brought to restrain San Francisco from issuing bonds to acquire and operate a railroad on Geary street.
The suit was brought by Horace G. Platt, president of the Geary Street Railway company, a local corporation. Bonds were recently voted at a special election and the plaintiff sought to prevent their issuance by having the election declared invalid.
The opinion was written by Justice Angellotti. It declared that the wisdom of the city in entering into the business of street railroading was for the city and not for the court to decide.

UNITED WORKMEN VOTE FOR MEETING

Seven Portland lodges of the Ancient Order of United Workmen met last evening at the Woodman of the World hall to vote on the question of holding the grand lodge beginning July 13.
A few of the members of the order opposed the expenditure of funds for a grand lodge meeting, arguing that more benefits could be derived by sending a field men to increase the membership. The majority favored a session that would bring together all the members of the lodge, that new business might be brought up, and a better feeling created so that the members of the order would be in a better position to talk to all candidates for admission.
Grand Master Workman Philip Gevurtz will call a meeting of the executive board next week to decide the question of whether a meeting will be held or the money spent for missionary work. As the majority of members are in favor of a grand lodge, and Grand Master Gevurtz likes the proposition, there is every reason to believe that the grand lodge session will be held in July.

CONTRACTS FOR FOUR SUBMARINES AWARDED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, June 25.—Secretary of the Navy Meyer has awarded contracts for the construction of four submarine boats of 450 tons each. The Electric Boat company was given the contract for three of the boats and the Lake Torpedo Boat company was awarded the contract for the fourth. It is probable that three of the boats will be constructed on the Pacific coast.

CLEARINGS OF BANKS NEARLY DOUBLED IN SHORT TIME OF YEAR

The tremendous increase in Portland's banking business in a year's time is vividly illustrated by the Portland clearing house report issued today.
Today's clearings were \$1,423,416.11. On this date of 1909 the clearings were \$724,523.95.
The clearings for the week ending today total \$10,155,731.60, or nearly double the total of the corresponding week in 1909, when the clearings aggregated \$5,651,420.57.

JAPAN RULES KOREA.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seoul, Korea, June 25.—Announcement was made here today of the signing of a memorandum last Friday whereby the Japanese government is entrusted with the conduct of all affairs relating to the policing of Korea.

CELESTIALS GLAD TO RETURN HOME

Yip Fong and Chow Fat Tire Head of War Department Says Negro Regiment Must Remain at Fort Lawton.

Yip Fong and Chow Fat prefer sickness and the dangers of the deep to the hospitality of Uncle Sam. Therefore they greeted with broad and gleeful smiles the information given them this morning that they were about to take a long journey across the big water to the land of the lotus bloom.
Yip Fong and Chow Fat have been especially entertained by the United States government for the past six months. During that period they were "touched" by United servants of the government for \$10 each; that is Yip Fong was, but Chow Fat said he was broke and was therefore not pressed for the coin.
Yip and Chow, six months ago, were boosters for the "Land of Opportunity," and took a great deal of interest in the increase of the population of the United States. Yip was a boatswain on the Henrik, then while Chow was one of the under officers on the Arabia. Both told their fellow countrymen of the wonders of Oregon, and were so eloquent that several of these countrymen contracted to donate \$300 each to Yip and Chow, provided that the two sailors would get them safely past the immigration officials. Unfortunately the countrymen were captured and have long since gone back to the home of their nativity.
Yip and Chow will leave this evening. They are glad to go, contending that the hospitality of the Multnomah county jail is too attentive to be much enjoyed.

WOMAN SAYS LIQUOR TRAFFIC MUST GO

By pointing out existing conditions and playing on the strongest arguments of those opposed to temperance, prohibition or local option, Miss Marie C. Brehm, lecturer on scientific temperance, representing the Presbyterian general assembly, who tomorrow will complete a series of lectures in Portland, hopes to convince people of the need of abolishing the traffic in liquor.
By investigating statistics, Miss Brehm says she has ascertained the fact that there are in Portland over 400 "blind pigs." "These places," said Miss Brehm this morning, "are licensed by the United States government but not by the municipality. There are 27 drug stores which sell liquor, 27 wholesale houses and 400 other places which sell liquor under government permits.
"I have the names of the persons who manage these 'blind pigs' and I will use them this fall if it is necessary."
"My plan of work is not based on theory or sentiment, but on facts and statistics. I do not say 'Let the saloons be closed and have done with it,' but endeavor to point out scientifically why the sale and use of alcohol should be restricted."

NEGRO PICKS UP A FORTUNE IN SECURITIES

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Chicago, June 25.—Postoffice authorities are investigating the disappearance of a letter which contained \$100,000 in securities, half of which were found in the possession of S. B. Turner, a negro, who is under arrest. Turner asserts he found them in the street.
The letter was mailed in the main postoffice by Walter Ford and addressed to the Branch-Ford Roofing company.

VETERAN ARMY OFFICER DIES FROM A SCRATCH OF GAMECOCK'S SPUR

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Boston, June 25.—A prick on the hand from the spur of a game cock caused the death of Colonel William Bradford Homer, 64 years of age, a retired United States army officer, whose funeral will be held at Natick tomorrow.
Colonel Homer was inspecting the fowls on his place a few days ago when he received a spur wound which at the time caused him only slight pain. Blood poisoning set in, and his arm was amputated at the shoulder, but too late to save his life.

SEC. DICKINSON REACHES SEATTLE

Head of War Department Says Negro Regiment Must Remain at Fort Lawton.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, June 25.—Secretary of War Jacob M. Dickinson arrived in Seattle on the Northern Pacific this forenoon. He was met at the station by his wife, a son, Henry Dickinson of Seattle, whose guest he is, and a second son. The secretary will visit Fort Lawton this afternoon. Asked concerning the removal of the Twenty-fifth (negro) infantry, from the fort, Dickinson said: "The regiment must be kept where they can't be moved off the earth, and Seattle is as good a place as any where."

RUNAWAY GIRL CHANGES STORY; NOT HEIRESS

The curious tale of Orma Jorgenson, aged 18, of Salt Lake City, who declared she was a runaway heiress when arrested last evening by Sergeant Wanless at Sixth and Couch streets, was found to be purely visionary on investigation by the police this morning. After telling a number of conflicting stories, she was finally induced to relate one which bore some semblance of the truth and which she affirmed was correct when arranged in the municipal court this morning.
The girl declared that her parents were separated and that her father was a contractor in Nevada, but had no great amount of wealth. While living with her mother in Salt Lake City she said she fell in love with Andrew Morris, the Greek proprietor of a coffee house, and eloped with him. After a short stay in Boise, Idaho, they came here. The girl asserts that Morris broke his promise to marry her and on her arrival here attempted to induce her to enter a Greek resort. She left him and was wandering aimlessly about the city when arrested. The girl is being held while the police search for the man.

BURGLAR STEALS FROM HOME OF PREACHER

During the absence of the family last evening a thief entered the residence of Rev. John Dawson, 743 Grand avenue, and stole a gold watch.
At the residence of Fred Brokers, 1624 Alameda drive, a thief broke open the lock of a rear door and stole the house, the family bank account, three silver watches, a stop watch, ruby pin and other jewelry was stolen, the thief appearing to know where the valuables were kept. The booty is valued at several hundred dollars.
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FISH WARDEN'S JOB IS UNTAKEN; STATE OFFICERS DEADLOCK

Henry O'Malley is Only Apparent Popular Choice and He Refuses to Accept Because of Uncertainty.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., June 25.—That portion of the state board of fish commissioners at the capital and which has authority in the matter is at a deadlock over the selection of a new state fish warden, with only one apparent chance of solving the difficulty. That chance is that the position may be accepted by Henry O'Malley, chief of the Oregon division of the United States bureau of fisheries.

O'Malley has had 18 years' experience in the fisheries service of the United States and is the best qualified of any man in the state for the position. O'Malley will not accept for the simple reason that he fears the coming change of administration will oust him from office at the end of six months' service, when it would be necessary for him to start at the bottom in the United States service again because of the civil service regulations governing the fisheries department. The position of master fish warden of this state is a better paying position than the one O'Malley now holds with the government, and he would gladly accept were it not for the fears he holds of the uncertainties of politics.

Other Possible Choices.
In this dilemma State Treasurer Steele is standing out for C. C. Babcock of Oregon City and it is understood that Governor Benson favors Edward Clanton of Grants Pass.

These board of fish commissioners consists of the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer. If Benson were here he would have two votes and his choice would prevail, but Acting Governor Bowerman can cast only one vote, that of governor, and as Bowerman favors Benson's choice for the position the board is in a hopeless deadlock over a choice.

It is hoped that O'Malley can be persuaded to accept the office for it is believed should he be appointed no possible change in the administration next November would dare to remove so capable a man from office. The office, however, is filled and made vacant at the pleasure of the board of fish commissioners.

REED INSTITUTE TO OPEN IN FALL 1911

Following a meeting of the board of directors of the Reed Institute yesterday afternoon, Dr. F. B. Elliot, chairman, announced that the institution is expected to open in September, 1911. A formal invitation was sent to Professor William T. Foster of Bowdoin college, asking him to head the institution. He is not able to give a definite answer.
The plan of the directors is to have plans prepared for a group of buildings sufficient to house the institution for many years. Only a few, however, will be built now. Others will be added when needed. About \$400,000 of the endowment is now available.
Work will begin with four professors and a corps of assistant professors and instructors. When the school goes forward new members will be added to the faculty.

VACATION SCHEDULE OF COURT IS ARRANGED

Judges of the circuit court in a conference at noon today mapped out the schedule for the court's vacation of July and August. In accordance with the usual arrangement, one judge will always be on duty as presiding judge, hearing emergency matters and disposing of default divorce cases each Friday.

The schedule is so arranged that Judge Morrow, now presiding judge, will hold that position until July 16, giving him time to dispose of matters accumulated during his six months' term. Judge Adams will preside from July 17 to July 30, Judge Gantenbein from July 31 to August 10 and Judge Kavanaugh from August 11 to August 20.

Judge Cleland will take up the reins of the court on August 21 and will thus have time to shape the docket for the resumption of active court work in September. He will remain as presiding judge until January.

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ANGELL, PHYSICAL INSTRUCTOR OF O. A. C., QUILTS IN HIFF

Resigns Because Sol Metzger, of Pennsylvania, Elected as Football Coach Over His Protest; Position in East.

Bickering over the selection of George Schildmiller of Dartmouth or Sol Metzger of Pennsylvania as football coach at the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis reached an acute stage Thursday and resulted in the resignation of Professor E. D. Angell, head of the department of physical education, who was arrayed against the faculty council which supported Metzger.
Angell charges the college with indulging in unclean athletics, while President Kerr asserts that it is not his province to interfere in the controversy that has arisen between Angell on one side and the athletic council and students on the other.

Angell emphatically asserts that Metzger was elected over his strenuous protest last Monday and that he resigned as a result of their action the following Thursday. Now comes President Kerr, who authorizes the publication of the election of Schildmiller, who was endorsed by Angell and supported by him in the council meeting.

Elected Over Protest.
Over the long distance phone this morning Professor Angell insisted that Metzger had been elected over his protest. Angell charges that Metzger acted prejudicial to the welfare of the college last season in several respects. Angell, as physical director, says he objected to the proposal of Metzger to play men on the varsity football team who were ineligible under the conference rules. He also objected, he says, to the use of liquor on the football team either as a stimulant or for purposes of celebration.
He alleges his wishes in this respect were ignored by Metzger last year's coach, who permitted a party of students to drink to a hilarious degree in the Oregon grill in Portland last year and as a result of that experience one of the students was afterwards "fired" from school.

President Kerr, who stated expressly that he did not wish to become involved in any controversy, said that although Metzger has been strongly indorsed, the athletic council, which is composed of members of the faculty, alumni and student body, concluded on a change and had wired Schildmiller that he had been elected to the position of head coach.

Resignation Voluntary.
Dr. Kerr stated that Professor Angell's resignation was entirely voluntary, that he had no right to make any comment on the action of a member of the faculty. He would not make any statement relative to the strained feeling that is known to exist between Professor Angell on one side and the students on the other, arising from an incident that occurred over the use of the Army last year for a college dance.

President Kerr says Schildmiller is the football coach, and as the president usually has the last say, Schildmiller will guide the destinies of the team this year.

In view of Angell's declaration that Metzger was elected in the council meeting and President Kerr's assertion that Schildmiller is the football man of the hour, it is suggested by Angell's close friends that the physical director was "double crossed."

If Metzger was elected when Angell was present and the council afterward repudiated this action and elected Schildmiller succeeding Angell's resignation, the action is taken as a rebuke to the physical instructor.

After resigning, Angell was offered a position by wire as the superintendent of the public playgrounds of Worcester, Mass., which he immediately accepted. He leaves Corvallis this afternoon for Portland, and will depart for Massachusetts tomorrow. Metzger also leaves Corvallis tonight en route to Boston.

CHERRY FIGHTERS GET IN POLICE COURT

Brought into Justice Olson's court as witnesses in the case against Victor Strode, son of Judge Strode, who is alleged to have thrown cherries at an auto carrying E. L. Mills and his daughters, Beatrice and Laura, five young men and women were arrested in the courtroom yesterday afternoon and made defendants in the case. A charge of assault and battery is made against each of them, it being charged that they were all in Strode's automobile at the time the cherries were thrown at the Mills machine.

Those who are now accused with Strode are W. W. Ward and Gertrude Ashhoff, 515 Clay street, C. Ashhoff, Marmol, Or.; Leona Bradley, 63 East Eleventh street, North, and A. Pledue, 585 Kelly street. The affair leading to the arrests took place on the Sandy Road two weeks ago, when occupants of the Strode machine are said to have hurled the cherries at the Mills party, injuring one of the daughters in the eye. Mr. Mills gave notice to the Strode machine, damaged two other autos in the pursuit, when he collided with them.

DYER NOW HEAD OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, June 25.—T. S. Dyer of Los Angeles, superintendent of telegraph of the Salt Lake railroad, will serve as president of the National Association of Railway Telegraph Superintendents during the coming year. He was chosen by the annual convention of the organization, which adjourned today, after naming Boston as the place of meeting in 1911.

Other officers were elected as follows: First vice president, John B. Sheldon, Omaha; second vice president, William Bennett, Chicago; secretary and treasurer, F. W. Drew, Minneapolis.

Cotton Leak Men Plead Guilty.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, June 25.—Moses Haas of New York and Frederick Peckham of Cincinnati pleaded guilty yesterday in the government cotton leak cases, in which advance information of the government cotton report was given to certain brokers and was fined in the federal court. Haas was fined \$6000 and Peckham \$5000.