

WAS GIVEN JURY POLICE "GRAFFING"

Facts Warranting Indictments
Could Have Been Obtained
by Inquisitors, Declares Mu-
nicipal Association.

Reviewing the evil conditions that exist in the city, the Portland Municipal Association has issued an appeal to the people to require their officers to perform their duties. The appeal is as follows:

"In an evening paper of Tuesday last appeared an account of an interview with H. A. Heppner, foreman of the November grand jury, wherein he is reported to have said among other things: 'There was no direct evidence that money had been received by any of the officials—but there was not a member of the jury, who, after hearing the testimony of the various witnesses, was not convinced of the venality of certain police officials. This being true, we might have indicted them and others figuring prominently in the affair, on other charges—the police for failing to enforce the laws forbidding such establishments and their tools for breaking other statutes. Why didn't we do it? Because we were afraid of turning the town upside down—that is why. Conditions now are disgusting.'"

"The investigation of the grand jury along this line was principally of about 20 cases, wherein the evidence was secured, prepared and presented by the Portland Municipal Association."

"This association is one of an organized federation of such associations, of which there are nearly a dozen in large cities in the United States. Its object is the study of municipal problems and the betterment of certain conditions existing in these cities. Among other things it desires enforcement of the state and city laws for the prevention of vice and immorality. While it realizes that prostitution and drunkenness have come down through the ages and that no one generation can entirely eradicate them, still it believes that the public officers, sworn and paid to vigilantly defend the community against these debasing influences, should not permit much less connive at and demand and receive money to protect these and other evils."

"It does not desire the persecution of the women engaged in prostitution, many of whom are unfortunate as well as evil, but it does desire that the men engaged in this traffic, who invariably pursue it for gain, should be dealt with to the full extent of the law; that young girls of the city daily in danger of ruin and this is a greater evil than most people know, should be protected; that the present conditions of notorious vice conditions should be wiped out and that these things should be done forthwith, by the men whose business it is to do them."

Hears Many Reports.

"More than a year ago it came to the attention of the association that many of the houses of prostitution were open, and that prostitution, gambling, liquor-selling, the sale of intoxicating liquors to minors, such sale to women in saloons and sale on Sunday, and other evils were all being more or less openly practiced in different parts of the city. It was also reported that money was being paid to the police for protection."

"These practices and such a condition this association holds to be exceedingly detrimental to the well being of the community. Moreover, the acts and practices complained of are in violation of state laws and city ordinances. The mayor of the city and his subordinates in the police department, the sheriff and the district attorney are the respective city and state officers who are directly responsible for the enforcement of these laws. Therefore, this association reported this condition to the mayor of the city, Mr. Joseph Simon, as head of the police force of the city and asked him to enforce the laws. The mayor disclaimed any knowledge of the facts, but promised to investigate and promised further that if the conditions reported were found to exist he would require enforcement of the law against them. At a later time it was stated that he had found that some of the evils complained of did exist and that he had ordered them stopped by the chief of police."

No Improvement Shown.

"After due time, there having been no change for the better, the matter was repeatedly called to the attention of both the mayor and the chief of police. The mayor has at times been indifferent, incredulous, at other times evasive and angry at the insistence of the association. This has seemed to have been his attitude before the grand jury. He seems never to have done anything except to refer the association to the chief of police."

"The behavior of this official was a reflection of the mayor's attitude. It is remembered that prizefighting was permitted to continue in the city. Evidence was secured by the association and officers prosecuted by its own attorney as special prosecutor. The sentiments of the chief relative to Chinamen gambling lately made before the grand jury showing his viewpoint, can not have been forgotten."

"But a recital of the many instances of this kind is not necessary here. It is sufficient to say that conditions have grown worse and worse. Mr. Heppner's conclusion sums up the situation as it is today, and he was correct when he said that they were disgusting."

"The association next applied to the sheriff, calling his attention to conditions in the city, especially to gambling, prize fighting and houses of prostitution, being opened under state laws, and also to illegal and evil conditions under which certain places of resort in the outskirts of the city known as 'red houses' were conducted. This was when two different women at different times, returning from such places were killed in automobile accidents, due to drunkenness at these places."

Sheriff Is Criticized.

"Against these road houses the sheriff expressed great desire to secure evidence, but although he has at times had a large force of deputies at his command, so far as the association can learn, these places have never been molested by him and have been ever since and are now constantly violating the laws. With the other matters complained of above mentioned, the sheriff declined to interfere on the ground that they were within the province of the city police."

THREE CANDIDATES FOR CHAIRMANSHIP

R. A. Miller Appears to Have
Advantage in State Com-
mittee Fight.

Alex Sweek, Robert A. Miller and Bert E. Haney are fighting for election as chairman of the Democratic state central committee today. The election will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the parlors of the Imperial hotel, this being the time set for the adjourned meeting of the state committee.

Who will be elected chairman for the next two years is a matter of much doubt. A hot fight is being waged on Alex Sweek, present chairman, and it is expected that R. A. Miller has the lead in the battle at this time.

It is expected that 32 out of the 34 counties of the state will be represented at the meeting tonight, either in person, by the state committee or by proxies sent by them. It will require 16 votes to elect a chairman, and Sweek contends that he has 13 of this number pledged to him. The strength of Miller and of Haney is problematical, many of the committeemen having refused to make public their position in advance of the meeting.

Apparently it will require more than one ballot to make the selection, and what will happen after the first ballot is not known. It is believed that some of the men who have promised to vote for the one candidate or the other on the first ballot will feel themselves relieved of their promise after that ballot and will make other alignments. What the switches will be, however, is a mystery.

There is some talk of Robert Coshaw of Roseburg being brought out as a compromise candidate in the event it is impossible to secure an election at first. What proportion this move will develop cannot now be foretold.

Indications point to the defeat of Sweek, and these same indications seem to put Miller in the strong position, but what the final lineup will be by the time the meeting is called to order is a puzzle.

ENGLISH ELECTIONS STILL AT A TIE

London, Dec. 10.—With only 177 more constituencies yet to hold elections, each side in the parliamentary voting at this stage has held the same number of seats that it had in the last parliament. The coalitionists have 243, a majority of 49.

PRISONER IDENTIFIED AS VETERAN COUNTERFEITER

It took Secret Service Agent Stephen A. Connel just about a minute to find out that "George Duffy," who is a prisoner in the county jail charged with counterfeiting, is really George H. Hamilton, known to government men as an old hand at the game of making counterfeit coins. He was released from the government penitentiary at Leavenworth last August, after serving a term for counterfeiting in Peru, Indiana.

Hamilton and Mike Regan, an 18-year-old boy, were arrested in Klamath Falls and taken to the police there for government action. Their plans were taken in the raid. Deputy United States Marshal Hammett brought the two to Portland yesterday. Connel went to the jail to have a talk with the man and recognizing Hamilton immediately, called him by name and asked him when he had been released. Hamilton admitted his identity and said he had made a few halves and dollars in Klamath Falls because he had been stranded there and wanted to get out. Regan is said to have helped him pass the money.

They were presented to him by the grand jury the matter to the grand jury. The association then, with considerable difficulty, found trustworthy men to secure evidence. Such men, who are credible witnesses, are hard to find, and evidence of the nature soon becomes scarce.

"Nevertheless the evidence was secured for about 20 cases and presented to the district attorney. With apparent reluctance and after a great deal of insistence the district attorney finally presented the cases to the November grand jury. As stated in the article above referred to, the grand jury returned no indictment in any case, merely passed the matter along to the next grand jury."

"This evidence presented to the grand jury was the testimony of eye witnesses. It showed that a large number of houses across the city were in operation in different parts of the city at the present time; that there is little or no attempt at concealment of the fact; that prostitution and other evils are being carried on with the knowledge of the police and that certain officers habitually and frequently visit these places; that in some instances the officers who are inmates of some of these places are not more than 16 years of age."

Say Police Were "Fixed."

"These witnesses also testified that women in various of these houses repeatedly told them that the police were 'fixed,' that the police came to these houses, 'to get a piece of money' and other statements showing and tending to show that the police officers of this city are, and have regularly been paid to 'protect' this traffic. Names and addresses were sworn to."

"While the evidence last mentioned is hearsay, because the association could not compel the attendance before the grand jury of the women who had made these statements, it was information from which the grand jury and the district attorney could have fully investigated the facts. This being the grand jury and the district attorney failed to do."

"For over a year this association has earnestly tried to induce the proper officers to bring about enforcement of the laws in question. The behavior of these officers has been uniformly indifferent and evasive and they have pursued the policy, all of them, of passing the association and its complaints along, 'out to another.' In some instances actual obstruction of its efforts have been made by officers. The net and total the only result of all of these efforts is the admission of Mr. Heppner."

"This association has exhausted every remedy it knows for the betterment of the conditions existing, except one. That is an appeal to the people of this city. The Municipal Association does not require their officers to perform their duties which those officers have sworn to and are paid to perform."

"PORTLAND MUNICIPAL ASSN."

GOOD WORK DONE AT SALT LAKE

Superintendent of Institution
for Consumptives Caring
for 25 Patients.

Dr. Calvin S. White, state health officer, has received a report of effective work being done at the Oregon state tuberculosis sanatorium, from the superintendent, Dr. H. J. Clements, who says in part:

"We now have 35 patients in the institution and others are scheduled to arrive daily. We have received, all told, 57 applications of these four have died before being permitted to enter. Two are ineligible because of having been in the state less than a year, and two others sent word that they were too sick to come. Applications are being received almost daily and there are several applications blank, partly filed that have not been finally returned to the office."

"We have been delayed on the finishing of the new building, but are today in possession of it and it will be occupied by patients tonight for the first time. We have received from the Multnomah county poor farm 10 applications for admission to the institution. Of these one, Flora Hartman, has been in the state only since last February, which would disqualify her for admission here."

"Our buildings are so arranged as to accommodate practically equal numbers of the two sexes. There have been more men than women applicants for admission and it seems to me that it will be difficult to accommodate all of the men until further room is provided, but I shall, of course, do the best possible. We will be in a position to receive these patients, most of them, in just about a week."

SLOW PROGRESS IN KERSH TRIAL

Jury to Try Woman on Mur-
der Charge Not Yet Com-
pleted.

Slow progress was made today in the selection of a jury for the trial of Mrs. Carrie Kersh for the murder of W. A. Johnson at the Grand Central hotel on June 30, when he was strangled and his body thrust into a trunk which Jesse P. Webb, who did the actual killing, tried to ship out of the city.

Five peremptory challenges have thus far been used by the defense and two by the state. It is possible a sixth challenge will be found before the close of the day, but if the limit of peremptories is used the 12 men to try the case will not be chosen until Monday, despite the two night sessions held by Judge Morrow.

Six men were examined this morning in securing one acceptable for cause. The man accepted was G. L. Steelsmith. A. Yerex and C. F. Alexander were excused because they have not received full citizenship papers. Richard Connel was excused because he could not find a verdict of guilty on circumstantial testimony where the penalty is death. L. Fox was allowed to go for the same reason. O. Atkinson was also excused for cause.

The 11 men now in the box, of whom a majority will probably remain as members of the jury, are Frank Hall, J. C. Stevens, James Kenney, D. G. Toman, Sumner Newell, John Miller, A. B. D. D. Southmead, G. L. Steelsmith and John Jarvis.

Peremptory challenges were used by the defense to dispose of William Montag, M. Arndt, M. De G. N. Howell and G. H. Vore. The state has used two peremptory challenges, excusing Charles Ashpole and C. V. Anderson. Fifty-five talesmen have so far been examined, all told.

E. L. George, when called to the box yesterday afternoon, said he read newspaper accounts of the crime and the trial of Webb. He had formed an opinion, and although the attorneys sought to prevent the disclosure of how he learned, he said he reached the conclusion Webb was guilty. Despite this he was held to the grand jury hall, and without being influenced by what he had read, he said Judge Morrow declined to grant a challenge for cause by Attorney McCue of the defense, but announced that he might later excuse the juror as a matter of discretion. Today George was excused.

TO PRINT NEWSPAPER ABOARD OCEAN LINER

One of the attractive features of the "Aloha" excursion to the Hawaiian Islands, 57 cruises will be the publishing aboard ship of a daily paper. Yesterday, Messrs. Roche & Thompson, the managers, entered into contract with W. H. Soules, a well known newspaper man, for the publication of the "Aloha" paper, he the paper will be known. It will be eight pages and will be published each day of the cruise with special editions of from 1000 to 5000 for each of the four ports of call—Astoria, San Francisco, Honolulu and Honolulu. These special editions will be distributed among the hotels of these cities. It also intended to issue a special edition of 5000 before the ship sails, which will contain articles descriptive of the many points of interest which will be visited on the thirty-day day cruise. The daily issue will chronicle the doings aboard ship, as well as tell what will be doing at the next stopping place. This publication will certainly be a novelty and each issue will be of such character that it will be retained as a souvenir or else mailed to some distant friend.

Mr. Soules will be assisted in editing the paper by both Messrs. Roche and Thompson, managers of the excursion, for they are both old time newspaper men.

The "Aloha" excursion sails from Portland February 1, 1911. If you contemplate being one of this select party of 200 make your reservation at once. The cabin plans may be seen at the office of the Pacific Coast S. S. Co., 249 Washington street. If you have not time to call there, phone Main 22-01 or A-225, and a representative will call upon you.

WOMAN CREATES SUSPENSE IN COURT

Mrs. Bessie Rehberg Admits
She Signed Name Result-
ing in Libel Suit.

Mrs. Bessie Rehberg sprung a surprise in the trial of the libel charge brought by M. G. O'Malley against John A. Jeffrey when she testified in the circuit court yesterday afternoon that it was she who signed the record of Dr. W. O. Manion to the record of a medical examination of Ray Wilcox.

Jeffrey's statement in a letter to Supreme President James A. Foshy, of the Fraternal Brotherhood, that O'Malley had forged the name of Dr. Manion to this record, in the basis of the libel suit against him. The defense had been led to believe that Mrs. Rehberg, who is a field deputy of the Fraternal Brotherhood, would substantiate the statement made by Jeffrey in his letter, and her testimony that she signed Dr. Manion's name caused a momentary storm in Judge Kavanagh's department, several attorneys talking at once.

The Wilcox examination papers had been filled out by direction of Dr. Manion, who was an examiner for the order, Mrs. Rehberg testified. She said she called the physician up over the telephone and he told her to sign his name and send the papers in to the supreme office of the order.

Dr. Manion Complains.

She felt reasonably certain it was Dr. Manion who called her up and told her to sign his name. She talked with him about it afterward, she said, and he "joshed" about it, but made no denial of having told her to sign for him. This disclosed an unusual situation, in view of the testimony of John A. Jeffrey, the defendant, who was called to the stand as soon as Mrs. Rehberg finished her testimony. Jeffrey said it was Dr. Manion who complained that his name had been forged to the papers in the Wilcox matter.

"I acted as attorney for Dr. Manion," said Jeffrey. "One day in June he came to my office with this document. He said his name had been forged to it, and he asked me to act for him. According to his instructions I prepared and sent a letter to Mr. Foshy, making charges against O'Malley and calling for an investigation into the act of the latter as state manager for the Fraternal Brotherhood in Oregon."

Woman's Testimony Surprises.

Jeffrey's testimony as to what Dr. Manion told him was objected to by the attorneys for O'Malley because the physician cannot also be produced to testify about the matter. Jeffrey stated that without knowledge on the part of the defense, by whom he was wanted as a witness, Dr. Manion departed from the city a few days ago and is now in Chicago.

R. R. Giltner, attorney for Jeffrey, insisted on a rigid examination of Mrs. Rehberg after she had surprised him by her testimony about Dr. Manion's signature. He told the court that his opening statement to the jury was based on entirely different expectation as to what Mrs. Rehberg would say when she went on the stand. He had expected her to say she signed the name of the doctor by direction of O'Malley.

The jury in the case retired shortly before noon today, after receiving instructions from Judge Kavanagh. After the jury retired the foreman sent a request to the judge for a written definition of the word "malice." The jury considers the question of malice in such a case in mitigation of damages.

MAN AND ALLEGED AFFINITY FILED

Wife Leads Officer to Apart-
ments of Crawford in Mid-
night Raid.

Charles A. Crawford, manager of the Monarch Oil company, with headquarters in the Beck building, was arrested on a statutory charge this morning at 12:55 o'clock in his rooms in the Heintz apartments upon complaint of his wife. A young woman, giving the name of Eva LaMar, was arrested with him. Both were held to the grand jury hall, where in the municipal court upon bail of \$1000. Crawford and the woman spent the night in jail.

Anna P. Crawford, the 22-year-old wife, has filed complaints against Crawford and the LaMar woman, in which she makes sensational charges. She also says she has evidence of his intimacy with another young woman prominent in social circles. That the cases will be vigorously fought is indicated by the array of counsel employed by both parties.

Crawford and the LaMar woman have been seen together much the past few days, and were known to be together last evening in his apartments. With an officer, Mrs. Crawford went to his rooms, and gained admission. Crawford was arrested by the fully attired officers, who were led by Sergeant Klenz and ordered to dress and go to the police station.

Mrs. Crawford says she married Crawford in California in January. After coming to Portland, she became ill and returned to her California home to recuperate. When she was able to return to her husband, she states, Crawford requested her to wait another month. At the end of this time, he again asked her to continue her visit, and she suspected he was attempting to desert her. Coming to Portland, Mrs. Crawford then understood his motive for delaying her return, she says.

Upon investigation, Mrs. Crawford says she learned her husband had been living a fast life. A nonsupport suit was started, and she was arranged to desert her. Crawford should pay her \$10 a month. Miss LaMar is an attractive blonde, and appeared in the municipal court dressed in a light gray walking suit, white gloves and white plumed hat.

O'Brien Will Return.

United Press Special Wire.

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.—United States Ambassador Thomas J. O'Brien will return to his Tokyo post, according to his emphatic declaration. He does not credit the rumor that Charles W. Fairbank, former vice president, is to succeed him there.

"Before I left Washington," O'Brien said, "I had a long talk with the president. There are particular reasons why I should return to Japan and I am certain there has been no change of plans."

WATERPOWER TRUST REDED

Pinchot's Prediction That Sites
Will Be in Hands of Few
Coming True.

In the opinion of many Gifford Pinchot's warning that within a few years all the waterpower sites in the west would be in the hands of a few corporations is exemplified in the incorporation yesterday of the \$5,000,000 combine to take over the Vancouver Water company, the Vancouver Gas company, the Vancouver Railway company, the Hillside water and light systems, the Forest Grove lighting system and other utilities now being planned.

This huge combine is said to have options on a large number of power plants and water power sites in Oregon and Washington in addition to those named in the incorporation papers, and it is expected that the control of power sites on the cascades of the Columbia and on the Lewis river in Washington.

A. Welch, the organizer of the combine, has been active for the past two years in Oregon and Washington buying up sites and organizing small local companies. Evidently the plan of the organizers of the big company is to have it take over all these smaller organizations and mould them into a waterpower trust that will control many of the available power sites in the North Pacific coast. Mr. Welch, organizer of the companies, has refused to make any statement of the plans of his organization.

The incorporation, named in the papers filed at Olympia, Wash., are: A. Welch, E. W. Wall, Henry Fleischauer, R. M. Boykin, C. M. Berryman, A. J. Pitkin and Isaac Anderson of Tacoma. While the capital stock is named at \$5,000,000, Mr. Welch is quoted as having said the properties controlled by him are worth but \$1,500,000.

APPROVES OPENING OF ALDER STREET

Council Committee Overrules
Protests and Indorses Re-
port of Viewers.

The opening and extension of Alder street from Chapman, to connect with Nineteenth street at Washington street was approved by the street committee yesterday afternoon at a late session. The committee overruled the protests and objections of the viewers overruled.

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MERMAIDS OF CLUB TO GO TO GEARHART

Fifteen mermaids of the Multnomah Athletic club annex left on the 8:30 train this morning for Gearhart Park, where they will enter the first aquatic tournament of the kind ever held on the Pacific coast. The swimmers will compete in the big natatorium at Gearhart for the Oliver King Jeffrey silver trophy cup offered for the winner.

There will be a dance at the Gearhart hotel. More than 200 guests from Portland are expected to be present at the dance. The Astoria-Columbia River railway has promised to have enough passenger coaches on its 8:30 train this evening to transport those who wish to attend the social feature.

The swimming championship will not be decided until Sunday morning, but this afternoon Professor Arthur Cavill, swimming instructor of the Multnomah club, will give a unique exhibition of how to operate a lifesaving raft in the heavy surf of Gearhart.

ASKS FOR LIFE SENTENCE; JUDGE GIVES 12 YEARS

Although Walter Kirchner expressed a preference for a life sentence rather than 10 or 15 years, Circuit Judge Morrow refused to accommodate him this morning, and gave him 12 years. Kirchner and Pat McClure were convicted jointly on two charges of highway robbery, in each case they could have been sentenced for any period between 10 years and life.

McClure, who was convicted with Kirchner, will not be sentenced until later. It is believed Kirchner was the leader in the affair, and some leniency may be shown McClure. The two men were positively identified by E. G. Arata and son and by Walter H. Drennan, as the ones who held them up at East Twelfth and Burnside streets on the night of September 29.

GOING TO HONOLULU TO SEE GOVERNMENT LAND

Thursday evening A. T. Workman, a building contractor and a resident of Portland for over 20 years, and his cousin, J. Albert Workman, formerly of Ohio, left for Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, to investigate the government land now offered for settlement known as the crown lands. Much of this land is in fine cultivation and valued at \$250 per acre. The government will dispose of this land only to bona fide settlers. The object is to induce as many Americans as possible to settle upon the islands. Each entryman is limited to 50 acres. The first drawing is to take place in January. Persons registering will be limited so that each applicant will be sure to get a piece of land.

FATHER CLEARED SON IS ARRESTED

Uncle Sam Now Believes He
Knows Who Fenced Off
Wallowa Canyon.

It took the United States just a year to find out who fenced the Wallowa canyon near Enterprise. For this time James L. Day, a rancher living in Wallowa county has been under bonds charged with the crime of fencing the canyon and kept other ranchers off at the point of a rifle. Finally Day protested his innocence so placably that the government officials were constrained to believe him. They have just heard of the name of the man but it was his son, James L. Day, Jr., who did the fencing, says the government officials.

Complaints came to the government in the summer of 1909 that someone had fenced off the public range in the canyon and was guarding it against trespassers by threatening to shoot anyone who tried to cross. Two Wallowa ranchers said they attempted to get through the fence when a man drove them back with a rifle. Government agents arrested the elder Day, and charged him with the offense. He declared he had nothing to do with it and that he had no idea who could have done the work. Day had several interviews with government officials and told so straight a story, and swore so vehemently he was unjustly accused, that he had almost convinced District Attorney McCourt he was telling the truth and was a badly abused man.

Just as Mr. McCourt was about to dismiss the case against Day he secured evidence that he says fastens the offense upon the son, beyond much question of a doubt. Deputy United States Marshal Thomas R. Hammons served a bench warrant on the younger Day, who has given \$1000 bonds for his appearance.

Hammons, while in eastern Oregon, also served papers in a suit brought by the government to collect damages from William E. Tippet, of Enterprise, for allowing sheep to run in a forest reserve. The damage alleged is but slightly in excess of \$100.

JANITOR DRAGGED TO DEATH BY STREETCAR

Clement Devroe, 551 East Fourteenth street north, janitor at the city hall, was suddenly killed yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock while boarding a St. Johns car at Union avenue and Felling street. In attempting to enter the first car of the train he fell.

Leaving an Alberta car, Devroe ran across the street to take the St. Johns car, which had been given right-of-way over the Alberta car. The St. Johns car had checked its speed in passing, and Devroe miscalculated the rate at which it was moving. He was whirled between the first and second cars and dragged 35 feet. His head was horribly mangled.

The car was in charge of C. A. Lettler, conductor, and George Dodge, motorman. The St. Johns car was on a "no-stop" schedule. Many passengers have been in the custom of boarding cars at this point when they slow down to allow the switching of local cars. When Devroe's widow arrived at the scene she swooned and was removed to her home in an ambulance. An inquest will be held this afternoon. The man had been night janitor at the city hall for six years. The eyes witnesses to the accident were Alfred Cole, teamster for the Oregonian, and Joseph J. Baldwin, 309 Union avenue, and George Vahl, 871 Garfield avenue.

RUN DISORDERLY HOUSE; FINE \$125

A fine of \$125 was imposed upon Martin Triphonooff and Chris Vassilas this morning in the municipal court for conducting a disorderly house under the rules of the city. The place is on 14th street. Triphonooff was found guilty Thursday by a jury. Vassilas pleaded guilty. Lillian Goin, arrested in the place, was discharged upon her admissions to the court and willingness to testify against the two proprietors.

A woman giving the name of Mamie Johnson is still held under a charge of being a prostitute. She is held on a charge of perjury. It is said she resides in the vicinity of Mill and First streets. She made contradictory statements to the court which caused the filing of the perjury charge.

Sieve Kaloff, who was sentenced to 90 days on the rockpile for soliciting for a bribe, was released on bond. His plea of guilty was changed to not guilty. At the time of his trial he admitted asking the officers if they wanted a bath or a woman, and it was upon such admission that Judge Tagwell imposed the sentence. Kaloff later represented that he did not plead guilty, and Judge Tagwell was obliged to give him the benefit of his ignorance.

Kaloff, who served five days on the rockpile, was released this morning. The attorneys for Kaloff contended that no complaint had been made out against the man.

IRRIGATION EXPOSITION GOOD BOOST FOR STATE

William H. McMurray, general passenger agent of the Harriman lines in Oregon, received a telegram from Chicago yesterday stating that 255,515 persons attended the United States Land and Irrigation exposition held at Chicago November 19 to December 4, and that 74,903, or two thirds of the attendance, heard the lectures on Oregon delivered by professional lecturers in the employ of the Harriman lines.

"That exhibit was certainly one of the most valuable advertising propositions ever called attention of the public to Oregon," said Mr. McMurray, in commenting on the exhibit, "and we should reap the result next summer. I predict that our tourist and home-seeker travel next year will be the heaviest ever experienced in the Pacific northwest, and that thousands upon thousands will come here fully prepared to make their future homes."

"Think of it, 255,515 persons paid 50 cents each to look at the exhibit of products of the soil of the various sections of the United States and particularly of those of the Pacific northwest and Oregon. That means that the people are serious; that they are not looking around just to appease their curiosity. And there is to be a very good money stand upon the spot when they went around and saw those wonderful products of the soil and heard of the remarkable climate of the state of Oregon."

**CLUB MAKES MORE ROOM
FOR STENOGRAPHERS**

So rapidly has the work of the inquiry department of the Portland Commercial club increased that the offices of manager C. C. Chapman will no longer harbor the corps of stenographers required to take care of the tremendous volume of correspondence.

The inquiry department is in charge of W. L. Crissey, who has a typewriter's tips answers for any question that may be put by a prospective settler, and to Mr. Crissey and his corps of stenographers was yesterday assigned rooms on the second floor of the Commercial club building and from which all inquiries will be looked after in the future. This arrangement will give Manager Chapman and his corps of assistants elbow room in the old office. The new arrangement was decided upon at a meeting of the promotion committee of the club yesterday afternoon, George F. Johnson, president.