

RETRIBUTION OF CHARGE OF POLITICAL CONSPIRACY ACTUATED BY COURT DECISION IN IDAHO SUPREME COURT. SHERIDAN'S NEWS PAPER MEN TO JAIL

All Supreme Justices Unite in Condemning Their Accusers for Uttering Charge That Decision in Ballot Matter Involved Court in Conspiracy to Promote Political Ends of its Members.

Publisher Sheridan of Boise From Oregon

R. S. Sheridan, publisher of the Boise Capital News, was born in Roseburg, Or., in 1853, where he attended public schools until he was about 16 years old, after which he attended Santa Clara college in California for one year. He returned to Oregon, and entered the state university from which he was graduated. He then engaged in the hardware business in Roseburg with his brother for 15 years.

During the second administration of President Cleveland, Sheridan was appointed receiver of the United States land office at Roseburg. During his four years' service in the land office he studied law and after retiring from office he was admitted to the bar and formed a law partnership with ex-Senator O. P. Coshov of Roseburg. He served as chairman of the Oregon Democratic state central committee in 1894.

About ten years ago Sheridan removed from Roseburg to Boise, Idaho, with C. H. Fisher, former publisher of the Roseburg Review, and W. F. D'Arcy of Salem, where he founded the Boise Capital News.

That the animus underlying the sentences imposed by the Idaho supreme court in the case in which that court on January 2 fined and sent to jail the publisher and the editor of the Boise Capital News and one other person was chiefly retributive in character is a charge of political conspiracy appears from a comparison of the facts of the majority and minority opinions, the former by Justice Sullivan and Stewart and the latter by Justice Allshie. In the course of his dissenting opinion, Justice Allshie took extreme pains to exclude minority plaintiffs in so far as their publications had been matter of discussion, criticism and respectfully though adverse argument, but all the justices were in thorough accord in condemning their accusers for uttering the charge that the decision in the ballot matter involved the judges in an ingenious, complicated and far-reaching political frame up that was to promote their own political fortunes and those of certain leading politicians and office seekers of Idaho. On this point Justice Allshie was firm, and the majority justices were vehement against the defendants—Sheridan, Broxon and Cruse.

To Ward Off Winter Complexion Ills

(From The Queen.) To keep the face smooth, white and beautiful all winter, there's nothing quite so good as ordinary macerated cream. Rough, chapped or discolored skin, inevitable in this weather, is gently absorbed by the wax and replaced by the newer, fresher skin beneath. The wax exhibits no trace of the wax, the latter being applied at bedtime, the washed off mornings. Creams, powders and rouges on the other hand, are apt to appear conspicuous at this season, because of alternating expansion and contraction of the skin, due to changing temperatures. I advise you to try this simple treatment. Get an ounce of macerated wax at any drug store and use the cold cream. This will help your skin at once and in a week or two the complexion will look remarkably youthful and healthy.

fraynical as the action of the Taft state committee at Aberdeen and the national convention at Chicago, and were, because it was perpetrated in the court. In another: "The more convincing becomes the belief that the decision was purely and solely a political and personal one." And again: "Our state supreme court is the accommodator of all." Against a decision which is denied and supported in Idaho by no honest or honorable man today. And referring to said decision, it is said: "The Republican state central committee is directly responsible for one of the greatest crimes ever committed against the electoral franchise of the people of the United States." In large headlines is the following: "Only a part of the story is told. Agreement on senatorship is said to be far reaching. He said the decision is a political frame up. It is stated in that article that the action of the court paved the way for Haines for governor and Stewart for justice of the supreme court, and later the naming of Allshie for United States senator."

Details of Rumored Frame-up. "Said article purports to give a death blow to the effect that upon the death of Senator Heyburn an agreement was made whereby Judge Allshie was to receive sufficient support to elect him United States senator and that Judge Cruse of the Fifth judicial district court would be elevated from the district court bench to the supreme bench to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Judge Allshie, and that in order to carry out this plan, the court would be necessary to procure the election of Haines as governor, and in order to satisfy the parties who were in the combination, the Roosevelt electors were eliminated from the ticket by a deal made with the court upon a suit filed for that purpose, and that in order to obtain a unanimous decision of the supreme court, it was necessary to take care of Judge Stewart, who was a candidate for re-election, and that if this combination could be carried out by the court on its part by rendering said decision, the southeastern, or Morrom counties, would support Judge Stewart and Haines and the entire republican ticket. The viciousness and absurdity of this statement are manifestly apparent at once when attention is called to the fact that Senator Heyburn's death occurred unexpectedly ten days after the decision of the Spofford case was rendered. The direct charge is there made against the court that it rendered said decision by reason of a political trade of bargain and not on the law and facts. What greater wrong can be charged against a court than that its decision was obtained by a political trade of bargain and not on the law and facts. The worst kind is there charged. That charge was made recklessly and deliberately, and is a criminal contempt. In effect it charges the judges with the violation of their official oaths and the court with being actuated by motives as base as any human mind can conceive.

"If True, Impeachment Merited." "The charges made in those publications were of an extraordinary character, and if true are sufficient to warrant the impeachment of the members of said court. They were intended to degrade the court and bring it into contempt of the people. They were made for base political purposes, and charge the court with improper and criminal personal and political motives. They require no inuendoes to explain them. Many of them were repeated time and again and emphasized by printing in capital letters, showing the maliciousness of the publishers. They were intended to raise a popular clamor against the court. There was an attempt by wanton defamation and falsehood to insult and intimidate the judges and degrade the court and destroy its power and influence and to inflame and prejudice the people. The liberty of the press is often claimed as a cover by character of the big banking institutions of the city would make George Primrose or Law Docket look pretty small. Singers, dancers and comedians of all sorts are rehearsing daily for the big event. A handsome souvenir program will be distributed to those who attend the performance.

Court's Case In Brief

Extracts from the syllabus of the opinion state in brief terms the court's view on their other points as follows: "Held, that the Spofford-Gifford case was pending until the 23d day of October, 1912, when the petition for re-

McCusker Gets Reward for His Service to Taft

Postmastership Offer and the Naming of Burgard as Collector of Customs Switches Men From Lineup Forecast.

As postmaster and collector of customs, respectively, Thomas McCusker and John H. Burgard are to get the big \$25,000 jobs that have caused the most speculation among the politicians, provided the plans of the pie-servers in Washington are carried out.

This switches the two men from the lineup generally forecast. Senator Bourne long ago recommended McCusker for collector of customs, and it had been supposed that if kept on the flat it would be for collector. Burgard was accordingly lined out for postmaster. For some reason, not yet plain, a switch in the plans was made.

One guess on the reason for this is that Williams was most anxious to reward McCusker for his services to the Taft cause, and as the postmasterhip is generally conceded to a senator in name, McCusker ordinarily will have a better chance for confirmation than any of the others, with Bourne and Williams both behind him.

BANKERS WILL STEP FROM BEHIND BARS

Those who have never seen a Portland bank clerk except behind the bars working at his trade will have an opportunity to see for the first time on any stage a fine assortment of this genus, together with a liberal sprinkling of the real thing, cashiers, directors and others who make a business of handling the millions of the public without gloves, when the members of the Portland chapter of the American Banking Institute appear before the footlights of the Hotel Theatre in the night of February 20 in a minstrel extravaganza.

BEFORE AT CRITICISM, GIRL COMMITS SUICIDE

Miss Anna Kockert, 26 years old, committed suicide yesterday evening at the home of Mrs. S. Beck, 84 North Seventeenth street, by taking carbolic acid. Mrs. Beck left the house at 2 o'clock, returning at 6 o'clock, when she found the girl lying on the floor of an upstairs room, dead from the acid.

Chosen Ones Tendered Political Pie Valued at \$22,000 Year



Federal appointees: 1—J. H. Burgard, Portland, collector of customs. 2—Thomas McCusker, Portland, postmaster. 3—E. C. Kirkpatrick, Dallas, marshal. 4—D. G. Keyt, Perrydale, surveyor general. 5—C. V. Johnson, Corvallis, appraiser of customs.

PROMISE SUPPORT FOR MILITIA BILL

Cruiser Boston Scene of Merriment in Which Legislators Are Guests. Unanimous support of the measure that will come up before the legislature during the next session for the appropriation of \$12,000 annually for the naval militia, was promised by the several members of the legislature who were entertained last evening on board the Boston, the training ship of the Oregon Naval Militia.

POTLATCH BUGS "WHOOOP 'ER UP"; PINCH ORCHESTRA

Portland Ad Club Shows Sound Visitors Real Lively Time, and Guests "Make Good" in Returning Favor. About 50 leaders of the spirit that makes Seattle one of the two best cities in the Pacific northwest, its Ad club boosters, last night joined with members of the Portland Ad club in their annual banquet and installation of officers for the ensuing year.

EX-SHERIFF HONORED BY FORMER EMPLOYEE

A tribute to retiring Sheriff Robert L. Stevens was paid last night by his former employee and friends. The "boys" tendered him a banquet in the blue room of the Multnomah hotel, which lost the formality of a banquet and developed into a family reunion almost before the first course had been served.

East Side Clubs May Join in Petition to County Commissioner; Highway Is Heavily Traveled; Scenic Beauties.

A movement is afoot to have the Sandy road widened to 80 feet and hard-surfaced outside the city limits. According to reports several local automobile clubs, the automobile club and other organizations are interested in the move and may join in a petition to the county commissioners asking them to have the road widened and paved with some hard surfacing material that will stand up under all manner of traffic.

Another reason which is being advanced in support of the improvement of Sandy road is the fact that a number of industries are springing into being outside the city limits and will be in need of the best road facilities they can command. Another argument is that the highway is one of the features of the Bennett plan and is the only road to exist of those which the plans provide as a main artery of travel.

BEEFSTEAK MYSTERY WILL BE EXPLORED

What is a Beefsteak? That is a question that is now occupying the minds of a large portion of Portland's male population. You may think it is merely speculation as the entertainment committee of the Portland Press club has sent out the invitations to the Beefsteak to be given the life members January 29, and while they still maintain their air of mystery in regard to the essential features of the affair, there is one thing that is perfectly clear. That's the head beefsteaker—Colonel C. E. S. Wood in all his regalia.

BOISE PUBLISHER TELLS LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE REMEDY

(Continued From Page One) says or criticism of decisions of this court in Idaho hereafter will subject such publisher and his editors to the danger of imprisonment and confiscation of property limited only by the tender mercies of the sense of justice of men feeling themselves aggrieved or insulted.

DIRECTORS ELECTED BY WAVERLY CLUB

At the annual meeting of members of the Waverly Country club last night, directors who will serve for the ensuing year were elected unanimously, and the reports of the retiring officers were read in addition to the regular routine business of the club. The meeting was held in the Hotel Portland.

BOY HIT BY AUTO IN ALIGHTING FROM CAR

While alighting from a street car yesterday afternoon, East Third street and Belmont streets, William Wick, 12 years old, living with his parents at 1600 East Washington street, was struck by an automobile, sustaining a concussion of the brain. The machine belonged to the Twoshy Bros., contractors. The driver took him to the Good Samaritan hospital.

BOY CITY PHONE USERS CALL PRIMARY ELECTION

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 11.—An initiative petition campaign, approved by an ordinance providing for an average reduction of 20 per cent in telephone rates in San Francisco was filed today with the board of election commissioners by the Telephone Users' association. There are 19,000 signatures to the petition and the organization claims to have 5300 more in reserve.

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