

## DIVERS CRIMES LAID AGAINST R. A. GRAHAM SAYS SPRECKELS MAN

F. S. Samuels, Secretary of Company, Testifies to Alleged Misappropriation.

### ECHO OF COOS BAY LINE

Spreckels Interests Take Over Mine and Railroad in Foreclosure Proceedings on Signing Agreement.

That Spreckels Brothers & Co. accused R. A. Graham of nearly all the crimes in the calendar was admitted by F. S. Samuels, secretary of the company, testifying in federal court this morning in Graham's suit to compel an accounting of the affairs of the Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern railway and the Beaver Hill coal company.

These properties, Graham asserts, were taken from him by the Spreckels company in 1899 by means of fraud and oppression.

Samuels said that his company suspected that Graham had misappropriated money they furnished him for the development of the mine. The amount was approximately \$500,000. They brought foreclosure suit against him, Samuels said, and at the same time proposed to bring a suit for embezzlement.

Questioned by John McNab, Graham's attorney, Samuels said he had accused Graham of embezzlement, perjury and possibly larceny; but had "stopped a little short of murder."

The amount of embezzlement charged was \$100,000, he said.

The foreclosure suit was stopped, Samuels said, when Graham proposed to sign an agreement, which was signed June 8, 1899, to pay \$500,000 to the Spreckels company in six months.

The railroad and mine were taken over by the Spreckels company when Graham failed to pay, without a foreclosure suit.

Graham contends that this was illegal, and the accounting he asks is for the purpose of determining the interest which he claims he still has in the properties, now held by the Southern Pacific, codefendant with the Spreckels company.

### MAYOR LAMED FOR ACCIDENT

Charles V. Sanders Brings Suit for \$5253 1/2 Damages.

Mayor H. R. Allen and Police Chief John Clark are defendants in a suit for damages for personal injuries filed today by Charles V. Sanders, who is demanding \$5253 1/2.

Last November, the complaint sets forth, Sanders fell over a weighing machine which was allowed to the sidewalk at Second and Yamhill streets, fracturing the patella of his right knee.

His suit against the mayor and Chief of Police is based on ordinance No. 7130, which provides for keeping the streets clear of obstructions, and section 281 of the city charter, which provides that "officers through whose official negligence such defect remains unrepaired shall be jointly and severally liable to the party injured for the damages sustained."

### SUIT AIMED AT GARAGE

Injunction Sought to Prevent Erection of Structure.

H. J. Hendricks' objection to a garage being built alongside his property where it will obstruct the light from his window took the form of a suit for an injunction filed this morning. The

defendants are William M. Abel and J. E. Neubauer.

Hendricks owns a place at 225 Glena avenue and the defendants are putting up the garage at 224 Glena avenue. In addition to shutting out the light, Hendricks says the garage will increase his fire insurance cost and the noise will be injurious to his wife's health.

### Steamboat Company Must Pay

Ella A. Hutchinson was this morning awarded \$5000 damages against the Williams & Columbia Towing company by a jury in federal court for the death of Verne Hutchinson by drowning at Lewiston last May. Hutchinson was a member of the Washington State College band. The flooring above the wheel of the steamer J. N. Teal broke. He fell into the river and was drowned.

### Husband Wants Divorce

On the grounds that his wife was already married when he led her to the altar in Vancouver, October 7, 1915, Frederick Greenwald today filed suit for divorce from Josephine Greenwald. Both are 36 years old.

### Six Speeders Fined

Six speeders were fined by District Judge Dayton this morning. They were as follows: J. Pray, \$15; E. Marmorito, \$15; C. H. Wheeler, \$25; C. W. Bente, \$15; E. Frank, \$25; Fred Hunt, \$10.

### Man Pleads Guilty

Harrison B. Hudson pleaded guilty of non-support today, and will be sentenced next Wednesday by Judge Morrow.

### AUTOMOBILE SPEED VIOLATORS FACING A SENTENCE TO JAIL

Municipal Judge Langguth Adopts Rigid Rule in Cases; Warning Is Given.

Automobile speeders henceforth will go to jail.

After warning speeders all last week of his intentions, Municipal Judge Langguth today carried them out.

Dale Clearwater and M. P. Green, jitney drivers, were fined \$25 and sentenced to two days each in jail. The sentences begin tomorrow morning.

Both were caught by Motorcycle Patrolman Ervin. Clearwater was going 45 miles an hour on Milwaukee avenue without lights early yesterday morning, and Green was traveling 34 miles an hour over the Steel bridge.

Lester Coomer, another speeder, was fined \$25 and was shown the speeder's solitary cell in the jail with a warning that he would occupy it next time.

The two men who go to jail tomorrow morning will spend the time in solitary confinement, a part of the time in the padded cells in the emergency hospital, the court decreed.

Other speeders fined today were: Paul Fisher, \$20; D. E. Steele, \$20; George Vak, \$25; N. P. Vanderpool, \$20; Willis Mason, \$25, and H. C. Nelson, \$25.

### Poolroom License May Be Canceled

The license held by Fred Hussman to conduct the Columbia pool hall at 107 1/2 Sixth street is to be revoked, if the city council follows Mayor Albee's recommendations. It is charged that patrons were permitted to bet on the baseball games. A hearing on the license revocation is to be held this week. This is one of the largest pool halls in the city.

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## BUTTON WEEK NOW LAUNCHED TO BOOST CONTEST FOR QUEEN

Each Green Button at 10 Cents Each Good for 200 Votes for Queen.



This is Button week in the contest for queen of the 1916 Portland Rose Festival.

Green buttons were put on sale today at 10 cents each in exchange for 200 queen votes.

Inasmuch as the regular price of votes is \$1.00 for 100 cents, the bargain gain was well as button week.

The buttons bear the slogan "Oregon First for Scenery," a full blown rose, and the date of the festival, the Rose Festival. Wearers will both boost the festival and help candidates in the race for queen.

A count completed this noon shows Miss Louise Taylor, candidate of the Western Union Telegraph company, in the lead. It follows:

Louise Taylor, Western Union Telegraph company, \$2,325; Rose Upstegrove, Oregon City, \$1,247.

Ladies of Security, \$5,987; Waive Jacobs, Klamath Falls, \$5,474; Edna Frueh, Eugene, \$5,565; Maude Gilman, G. A. R. and Red Cross, \$5,087; George White, Corvallis, \$4,824; Lillian Hendricksen, Forest Grove, \$3,765; Marian Anderson, Albany, \$3,771; Muriel Saling, Pendleton, \$3,771; Eleanor Jackson, Modesto, \$3,771; Anna Allen, Metropolitan Life Insurance company, \$18,548; Myrtle McClarkin, Rose City, \$309; Mildred Pegg, Vancouver, \$265; Beulah Vanderpool, McMinnville, \$195; Christine Haach, Forest Grove, \$11.

### TO HELP APPLE GROWERS

Washington, April 24.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—Members of the Oregon delegation are following up a request for aid by the Fruit Growers' Association of Washington, president, organized at Spokane, Wash., in March, in securing expert help from the marketing organization of the department of agriculture for the northwest apple crop.

Three experts are asked for to go into the field during the coming season. One will spend the summer through the government news service as to markets and conditions, another to visit and give counsel as to community packing, and a third to work out a system of uniform accounting of sales.

Northwest congressmen believe the cooperation of the department will be of decided value, and are urging that the full quota of assistants requested be granted.

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But He Says Lack of Preparedness Will Cause Needless Sacrifice of Many.

### Yosemite Bay, April 24.—Ex-President Roosevelt is going to fight if the United States has a war.

He announced the fact, and also speaks for his four sons and at least one of his two sons-in-law. He said Germany would have yielded to the United States 14 months ago, if she had thought the United States meant what she said in her Lusitania notes.

"Men are saying," said Colonel Roosevelt, "that they stand behind the president or by the president. I wish to speak for the men who, in the event of war will stand in front of the president and between him and the foreign enemy, and who, therefore, will stand between the president and the men who are behind or beside the president."

"These are the men who will go to the war at once if there is war with Germany, or with any other great power, and who feel as I do that they would far rather go to war unprepared than see our women and children murdered with impunity and the honor of the flag stained."

"But, it is a wicked thing that the folly of our rulers in obeying the behests of the peace-at-any-price people and of the apostles of arm-preparedness should make the sacrifice either useless or else needlessly and appallingly wasteful in blood."

"In the event of such a war my four sons will go, and one and perhaps both of my sons-in-law. I will go myself; the young kiddie and friends of my sons will go; so my words are spoken with my eyes open."

"It is of small consequence what happens to us of the older generation; but when I think of the young men my heart grows bitter that their fine and gallant lives should be sacrificed, not to the nation's need, but to the nation's folly."

"I would far rather see them dead than see them flinch from their duty when the honor of our people is concerned. But if we now go to war, these young men and all their fellows will die by thousands of fever and dysentery and lung trouble in the camps, because we have not prepared in advance, because they and those who would lead and care for them have not been trained in advance."

Osborne's Trial Postponed.

White Plains, N. Y., April 24.—(L. N. S.)—The trial of Thomas Mott Osborne on charges of neglect of duty while warden at Sing Sing was indefinitely postponed today.

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The meeting of the Government Study league, which was to be held at the library tonight, has been postponed.

## MYSTERIOUS CALL Over Telephone Puzzles Brother

"Go to your brother's ranch at once. He is very ill."

This in substance, was the message that Dr. Arthur L. Canfield of Portland, received last Wednesday from an unknown informant, in regard to his brother, William R. Canfield, who is strangely missing.

The telephone call was traced yesterday by Dr. Canfield to the main telephone office at Vancouver. The telephone operator informed Dr. Canfield that she was sure it was not the brother who had phoned.

All efforts to locate W. R. Canfield, who is a Clarke county rancher, were unavailing at noon today according to word sent by Dr. Canfield to Portland.

Dr. Canfield is practically devoting all his time to the search.

### Girl Admits Sending "Suicide" Telegram

Student Says Missive Was Not Threat of Suicide, but Meant She Was "Through" With University Man.

Los Angeles, April 24.—(P. N. S.)—Mary Winifred Spencer, 18, pupil in a girls' private school here, has confessed to sending the "suicide" telegram to D. C. Campbell, a student of Kentucky university at Lexington, according to the police today. Miss Spencer said however, that the message was not a threat of suicide, but simply to tell Campbell that she was "through with him."

When seen, Miss Spencer was wearing a Sigma Nu fraternity pin, which she admitted was Campbell's.

The telegram read: "Am ending all tonight. Have been miserable. Am returning belonging."

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