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BOARD GIVES OFFICIAL REPORT ON DISCHARGE OF JOHN L. KERCHEN

Five Charges Against Super-
visor of Manual Training
Sustained.

RELIGION NOT DISCUSSED

Disloyalty to School System Held One
Reason Why Instructor Should
Be Dismissed.

Copies of the official order of the
board of education, dismissing John
L. Kerchen as supervisor of manual
training were issued by School Clerk
R. H. Thomas today.

Five of the charges made against
Mr. Kerchen are sustained as having
been proven: Lacking in patriotism;
disloyalty to the school system; incom-
petency; keeping the manual training
department in turmoil; and making
public exhibits that were misrepresen-
tations.

Today was the first official an-
nouncement that the board had taken
positive action in the case of Mr.
Kerchen. Mr. Thomas says he does
not know who was the authority for
the original reports of the judgment
of the board. He asserts, however,
that the phrase, "for the good of the
service," was not used at any time by
the members of the board in connec-
tion with Kerchen's dismissal.

The term was frequently used in
the course of the trial, he says, but
was not made a part of the finding
of the board. The latter has been
subject to considerable criticism, be-
cause it was reported to have returned
the indefinite reason of "for the good
of the service" as the reason for Ker-
chen's discharge. The trial was held
on the definite charges made, and the
members of Kerchen's religious point
of view. The school clerk says, how-
ever, that any one of the findings of
the board was sufficient to justify the
discharge of Mr. Kerchen. The lack
of patriotism refers to the disrespect
for the flag shown in statements of
Kerchen. His disloyalty to the school
system is declared to have been
shown in his numerous quarrels with
school principals and teachers and
his setting the qualifications of one
school against another. The misrepresen-
tations in the exhibits refer to the
charge made against him of offering
his own work for the work of pupils
in the exhibits of school work.

The resolution of the board is as
follows:

It appearing to the board that due
notice has been given to John L.
Kerchen of the intention of the board
to dismiss him, and that he has failed
to furnish the board with a satisfactory
testimony in support of the charges
and in defense of same, and having list-
ened to the charges and having heard
the argument in support of the charges
by B. G. Skelton, and argument
against the charges by Isaac Sweet,
and being fully advised in the matter,
finds from the evidence that a number
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Kerchen by J. W. A. Mancur, V. E.
Christensen, Leon La Forge and A.
Rogge have been established, among
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is disloyal to the school system, and is

incompetent; that he keeps the manual
training department in turmoil, and
that his exhibits are misrepresenta-
tions; and that same are sufficient to
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It is therefore, ordered that the said
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PERJURY IS CHARGE AGAINST MAN NOW SERVING SENTENCE

J. C. Donville, Alias Charles
Barkwill, Is Indicted by the
Grand Jury.

THREE OTHERS ACCUSED

Not True Bill Is Returned in Federal
Court Against Albert Tay-
lor of Newport.

J. C. Donville, alias Charles Bark-
will, now serving a sentence at Salem
for from one to five years for forgery,
was indicted for perjury by the fed-
eral grand jury this morning.

The first year of Donville's Salem
sentence expired May 25. It is under-
stood that he will be released from
Salem to the federal authorities to
begin serving the sentence for perjury.

Donville was indicted with Carl P.
Mack and Grace Granville for the rob-
bery of postoffice station "A" in Febru-
ary, 1915. He made an elaborate
"confession," implicating himself as
one of the robbers, simply to get away
from the penitentiary, thinking he
would be allowed to go free, or get a
lighter sentence than the one he was
then serving.

Other indictments returned by the
grand jury were against Jessie and
Bert Bowlin, for having olump; and
Sherman Diggs, for the same offense.
A not true bill was returned in the
case of Albert Taylor of Newport,
charged with violation of the federal
liquor tax law.

Court Sends Couple Home

Lecture Given in Place of a Decree
of Divorce.

Instead of a divorce decree, Judge
Davis of the circuit court today gave
Henry H. Slyer, age 24, and his wife,
Katherine M. Slyer, 21, a fatherly lec-
ture and sent them home to think it
over.

"This is a case of parents having a
fuss over the correction of a child,"
said the judge. "More children have
been spoiled that way than almost any
other. When one parent is correcting
the child, the other one should not
interfere, especially in the presence of
the child."

The husband was seeking the di-
vorce. He testified that one evening
when the baby was tired and dinner
was late his wife shook the baby for
playing at the table and he took the
baby's part. Another time, he said,
his wife gave the baby a bottle of
rope to play with and the baby
knocked the stopper out and ate the
rope.

They were married at Vancouver,
August 18, 1913, and lived in Rose City
Park. The court decided that Mrs.
Slyer could take the two children with
her to the home of her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. W. H. Prentice, 422 Spokane
avenue, and her husband should pay
\$5.00 a week toward their support, and
in the meantime he expected them to

Clackamas Divorce List.

Oregon City, Or., June 1.—Judge J.
H. Campbell granted the following
divorces Wednesday: Helen Francis
Blabee from Morton Arnold Blabee,
she being allowed to resume her sui-
nomine, Helen Francis Wright; Hattie
Reber from J. R. Reber; P. H. John-
son from Gertrude A. Johnson.

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