

15 ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS IN FRAUD CASE FREE

Judge Dismisses Charges Held Against Accused in Trial of Newberry Election Conspiracy This Morning

Grand Rapids, Mich., Mar. 3.—Judge Sessions this morning freed fifteen more defendants in the Newberry election conspiracy case.

This left the field at eighty-five defendants. The fifth count indictment was also dismissed. This was the one founded on the federal statute of October 16, 1913.

Judge Sessions took both actions on his own motion. He said that a "very close attention to the prosecution's evidence and a careful study of the evidence" had convinced him he would be unwarranted in holding the men for a jury verdict.

Mr. Littleton started to present a motion directed against three of the six counts in the indictment. Judge Sessions halted him momentarily and said that unless the government objected he would rule out the fifth count at once.

Prosecution Protests. Frank C. Dalley, assistant attorney general, argued briefly against this action, maintaining that the evidence had shown violation in several counts of the law against the purchase of votes.

Mr. Littleton then proceeded with his argument against the sixth count, alleging conspiracy to violate the law against use of the mails to defraud. He maintained that the record was "abundant evidence" that such a crime had been committed.

Judge Sessions denied defense motions for dismissal of counts three, four and six of the indictments. He then notified James O. Murfin that it would be useless to argue a motion for a directed verdict as to all the defendants, as he would deny it.

FIGHT TO DEPRIVE WILHELM OF CROWN PROPERTIES OPENED

Berlin, Tuesday, March 2.—The fight to deprive the former emperor of his properties and fortune began in earnest today when the motion of the majority socialists of the diet to refer the issue to the national assembly precipitated an acrimonious debate.

The majority socialists vied with the independents in denunciation of the former ruler in an effort to defeat the proposed settlement by accomplishing the confiscation of the Hohenzollern possessions. This would be done through constitutional amendment, voting the former emperor a fixed sum for his maintenance.

Deputy Graf, a majority socialist, declared that the ex-ruler had failed to live up to the historic precedents of his race. He had not died at the head of his troops. He chose instead, the deputy continued, a night flight to Holland where "he now is promenading and sawing wood."

Hog Island Yard Ready To Be Sold

Washington, March 2.—The Shipping Board is ready to sell Hog Island, the great fabricating shipyard built during the war.

Chairman Payne announced today that title to the yard site had been effected by payment of \$1,757,000 to the American International Shipbuilding company, which owned the land, and that he was ready to receive tenders for the property.

WHO KNEW HOOVER?

During the period 1883 to 1891, Herbert Hoover spent his boyhood in Salem and Newberg. When he first came to Oregon, he was about nine years of age and the greater portion of the eight years of Hoover's Oregon residence was spent in this city.

The Capital Journal will publish reminiscences of Hoover's boyhood, submitted by Journal readers. Those who remember him as a young man and as a boy, are invited to furnish the Journal with any interesting biographical bits of general interest.

Undoubtedly, the boyhood of this man, who is now in the foremost ranks of internationally known personages, was replete with character indications which should be made public, not for purposes of partisanship or propaganda, but from the viewpoint of specific interest.

President Takes First Outing Since October On Drive Thru Capital

Washington, Mar. 3.—President Wilson went motor riding today, the first time he has been out since he returned to Washington from his western tour last October a very sick man.

The president was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Dr. Grayson and secret service men and took a spin around the "speedway" along the Potomac. A closed car was used. Photographers were prohibited from taking photographs.

Almost ideal weather prevailed for the president's ride. The car was kept closed throughout the trip, however. Going through the capitol grounds the president passed Senator Borah of Idaho, and recognition was simultaneous, both waving their hands and smiling. Throughout the trip, Dr. Grayson said, the president was delighted and remarked that he felt like he had been away from Washington for a long time.

Passing the vicinity of a married house, the president, who delights always in reading signs when he is motoring, saw a large sign quoting Mark Twain: "I have given much serious consideration to the high cost of living, the president remarked to Mrs. Wilson: 'That brings it home to you when you see a big sign like that.'

During the drive the president passed many groups of people who recognized him and he smiled his acknowledgment of their greeting. Quite often women who recognized him waved to him.

After passing the capitol the president returned to the White House via the Union station and Massachusetts avenue, entering the White House grounds through the south gate opposite the treasury.

Dr. Grayson said that the president had been much benefited by his trip and that an examination of his blood pressure on his return showed it to be quite normal.

The president, Dr. Grayson said, probably will not go out driving every day for a time.

Federal Agent Is Arrested; Seems Frame-Up Victim

Grand Rapids, Mich., Mar. 3.—Geo. F. R. Cummrow, department of justice agent who just returned from Iron county, Michigan, where he investigated the so-called "whisky rebellion" was arrested in police court today on a charge of violating the state liquor law.

Cummrow was arrested last night by Edward A. Nowak, a special agent of the state food and drug department, who charged that Cummrow gave him a drink of whisky in his room at a hotel.

When arrested Cummrow declared he had been "framed."

Mexican Foreign Office Asks For Details of Raid

Mexico City, Mar. 3.—Full information regarding the raid of Mexicans on Montana camp near Ruby, Ariz., on the afternoon of Friday, February 27, has been requested by the Mexican foreign office. Nothing official was given out yesterday regarding the incident in which John A. and Alexander Fraser brothers were killed. It was unofficially stated, however, that no United States troops had crossed the border in pursuit.

The only incident of the American soldiers crossing into Nogales, Sonora, occurred late last week when two Americans who had crossed the international line in search of liquor were fired upon by Mexican customs guards. The fray resulted in the deaths of one Mexican guard and one American.

SCIENTIST PASSES

Sydney, N. S. W., Mar. 3.—The death was announced today of Sir Thomas Anderson Stuart, distinguished physician and scientist, and dean of the faculty of medicine in the University of Sydney. He was born in Scotland.

TAMPIO OIL CAMPS ARE UNDER MILITARY GUARD

Tampico, Feb. 24.—Garrisons of from 50 to 100 soldiers are to be established in all oil camps in this region. Hitherto activity of federal troops has been limited to pursuit of rebel bands who have committed depredations.

THREE PASSENGERS DIE IN VOYAGE ACROSS PACIFIC

Victoria, B. C., Mar. 3.—The Japanese liner Suwa Maru, arriving here today from the Orient reported three passengers died aboard the vessel from pneumonia following influenza during the voyage. Eight others were reported suffering influenza when the boat docked at quarantine today.

ATTEMPT TO ROB JEFFERSON BANK IS FRUSTRATED

Police and county authorities are searching today for the man who attempted to rob the Oregon State bank at Jefferson, last night.

The robbery and looting of the bank was frustrated early this morning when three young men disturbed a lone marauder who had broken into the bank building, at about 3 o'clock.

Sheriff W. I. Needham and Chief of Police Welsh were immediately informed and patrolmen of Salem were notified to keep a lookout on all travel routes, should the robber head north.

According to the information furnished the authorities by those reporting the attempt, the robber was standing near the vault when the three men passed, curious as to the presence of anyone in the bank at that hour. They did not fully realize that the intruder meant business until the lone robber brandished a gun. This caused general scattering of the "witnesses" and the alarm was sent out, the intruder meanwhile making a hurried get away.

Sheriff Needham and Deputies Bower and Smith hurried to the scene of the attempted robbery. Investigation disclosed that the door of the bank had been "jimmied" with the aid of a chisel. The knob of the vault lock had been knocked off and evidence showed that efforts were being made to smash the combination when the intruder was interrupted. It was afterwards ascertained that the tools used in the attempt were stolen from a section supply house near Jefferson.

The only articles reported as missing from the bank are two pistols, a .45 caliber Coats' automatic and a German Luger. The guns are the property of G. P. Griffith, cashier of the bank. Mr. Griffith values the guns highly, as they are souvenirs of his service in France during the late war.

The following description of the man is given: Age about 35 years, weight near 150 pounds, hair dark, black mustache cropped short, beard of about a week's growth. Those who disturbed the robber stated also that he was wearing a dark suit of clothes, a dark slouch hat and a checked mackinaw coat.

FARMERS ENTERING CAMPAIGN BACKED BY 700,000 VOTES

Chicago, Mar. 3.—The National Farm Bureau federation said to be backed by 700,000 farmers in twenty-eight states, will represent "the man with his feet in the furrow." J. R. Howard of Clemons, Iowa, temporary president, said at the opening meeting here today.

Action was taken to establish a general office in Washington and another in the middle west, Indianapolis and Chicago being among the chief contenders for the latter.

Plans to secure legislation which will simplify the machinery of marketing and distribution between the farmer and consumer were discussed.

"Heretofore the farmer has been misrepresented by all sorts of organizations and men who were not real farmers," said Mr. Howard. "They have been painted as radicals. I do not believe, for instance, that two per cent of the farmers of this country are in favor of the Plum plan for control of railroads which they were represented as favoring in the Farmer-Labor Congress recently held here."

The purpose of the meeting is to federate the county and state farm bureaus which are already functioning in 25 states, into a solid, national body, according to Mr. Howard.

"We are planning a system to vote a direct referendum vote of the farmers on all public questions so that the federation may truly represent them. This referendum is provided for in the constitution of the federation."

Failure To Record Deed Causes Suit

The story of a lost deed is unfolded in the complaint filed by Otto E. Beatty, instituting suit against George D. A. Beatty and wife. According to Beatty's complaint the parties of the suit transacted a deal "over a year ago," a tract of land being "bargained sold and conveyed" to Otto Beatty by the defendants.

Otto Beatty claims also that a deed conveying title to himself was made out at the time, but that the instrument was lost without being recorded, and that the defendants now claim the property in question.

The petition asks the court pass upon the representations of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. A. Beatty and cause them to show the nature of their claim on the property. It is also asked that the court determine that Otto Beatty is the lawful owner of the property in question.

European quail winter in Africa, while the American quail, a different fowl, remain in the north temperate zone throughout the year.

DISCUSSION OF SOLDIER'S BILL CAUSE OF CLASH

Hearing of House Committee on Relief Measures for Former Service Men Brings on Second Word Battle

Washington, Mar. 3.—Another row occurred today at hearings before the house ways and means committee on soldier relief measures. It came when Edward J. Hale, representing veterans of foreign wars, told the committee that statements made yesterday by Franklin D'Olier, commander of the American Legion, were "erroneous and should be contradicted."

A storm of protest resulted, but Chairman Fordney restored quiet by warning that unless order could be maintained "we will quit these hearings."

After five minutes of wrangling among members, Chairman Fordney ruled that witnesses should not criticize other organizations.

Hale urged relief for discharged service men at the rate of \$30 a month instead of \$40 with an additional grant of \$100 to those who served overseas. He also favored passage of the Morgan bill, which would give service men the option of selecting homesteads.

Would Tax Incomes. "How could the money be raised for this bonus?" asked Representative Kitchin, democrat, North Carolina. "There is a public debt of twenty-six billion dollars now."

"Our plan," said Hale, "would be to tax all incomes above \$50,000 at the rate of 2 per cent, graduating that until seven per cent would be charged on incomes above \$1,000,000. This would provide \$200,000,000 according to the internal revenue bureau."

"Some of the alleged economies practiced by this congress are a crime," the witness said.

Hale said "lip appreciation and nothing more" had been extended to discharged soldiers.

Members of congress received back pay when they were discharged from the army and returned to the house, he said, adding that others were equally as deserving as ex-soldier congressmen.

Service Men Idle. Assertion by the witness former service men were without work brought from Representative Green, republican, Iowa, the statement that many farms in the middle west could not be cultivated because of the shortage of labor.

Hale replied that the most unemployment would be found in cities. The veterans' association plan, he added, would provide both financial relief and provide for taking homesteads.

Representative Hull, democrat, Tennessee, said granting a bonus would impose severe burdens on the average taxpayer of the country and would increase living costs.

Increased taxes of \$800,000,000 must be raised to meet present war expenditures without granting a cent to the service men, Representative Henry T. Rainey, democrat, Illinois, declared, supporting Representative Hull.

Investigation of Houser Charges Not Yet Complete

Portland, Or., Mar. 3.—Because of additional testimony procured by examination of witnesses in Portland, United States Attorney Lester W. Humphreys today announced he will not complete until the latter part of next week his investigation of charge of grain price manipulation made by a federal grand jury in Spokane against Max H. Houser of Portland, northwest vice-president of the United States grain corporation. Mr. Humphreys said he expected to gather additional evidence in Spokane next week.

The inquiry was started ten days ago at the request of Mr. Houser, who demanded a full investigation.

Linn To Succeed Jones On Fair Job

James R. Linn of Salem will succeed M. L. Jones also of Salem as a member of the state fair board when the latter's term expires March 14, according to a statement issued by Governor Olcott Tuesday.

The appointment of Linn is made in conformity with a long established practice of naming at least one member whose residence in close proximity to the state fair grounds.

SWISS COUNCIL APPROVES ENTRANCE INTO LEAGUE. Berne, Tuesday, Mar. 3.—Adherence to the league of nations by Switzerland was approved by the Swiss national council today by a vote of 114 to 55. This decision does not bind this country to enter the league, but recommends a plebiscite to be held during April or May, in which the people will voice their desires.

PEOPLE WHO KNEW HOOVER

Bert's Playmates Could Say "Something Allus' Doing When Young Hoover Was In Vicinity."

Perhaps many lads of Salem and vicinity as they read these articles of Hoover's boyhood, have decided that the now world known man was too "goody goody" to be adopted as a model. Some Salem residents who have contributed to these articles expressed it "that Bert was a bit serious and a trifle slow," but this is not meant to indicate that Bert was not 100 per cent "boy."

Now, while Bert was undoubtedly a sincere student and it is claimed for him that he was absent from the roll call of the "stepping out" gang, there are incidents galore to show that young Hoover was right in line when a good time was to be had.

There is the picture of Hoover and Fred Lockley with their bicycles, furnishing "jitney trips" to the sundry small folks in the neighborhood. In Salem today, there are folks who remember these "venturesome jaunts" when as small tots they enjoyed a ride "on the handlebars" of the bike ridden by Bert.

Those residents who recall the days of the old Salem horse car route, tell of sundry occasions when Port was "master of ceremonies" of the city transportation system. At these times it is said that the four footed motor demonstrated increased speed and interest in life under the ministrations of their youthful "engineer."

This old horse car outfit is a factor in another sketch of Hoover, his cousin, Agnes Hammer Eskelson. His cousin, Agnes Hammer Eskelson, recalls the time when Bert decided to annex some of the motive power for his own use. The bicycle was brought into play and by means of a rope, was attached to the car. In this manner, future relief administrator "booked a ride" from the lumbering carrier. "A brief ride," all went well, Mrs. Eskelson says, until the solid tires of the old "safety" bike, caught in the wide cracks of the planked track; then, there was a sudden parting of the ways. It is said that Bert tried this scheme several times but that the ultimate result of each trial was the sudden unseating of the youthful "navigator" and near destruction to the much used bicycle.

Perhaps no one in Salem has a better recollection than Mrs. Eskelson of Hoover's boyhood during the six years of his residence in Salem. Her reminiscences of Bert are not given from the viewpoint of relationship with the Hoover family, but from actual sketches of Bert as a genuine chum and helpful friend.

Mrs. Eskelson's story of Hoover's attempts to secure an education for himself will be told in Thursday's Journal.

Americans Asked To Protest Split of Armenian Land

New York, Mar. 3.—Declaring that the allied premiers have tentatively planned partition of Armenia, the American committee for the independence of Armenia today issued an appeal asking Americans to protest such action and also to demand the end of Turkish rule there. The committee, headed by James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, urges church, civic, commercial and other bodies to communicate with the president and congress "to the end that this ancient martyr nation may be liberated and preserved."

Olcott to Review Aggie Cadets Soon

Oregon Agricultural College, Mar. 3.—Governor Olcott has accepted the invitation of Major Partello to be present as guest of honor at the military tournament on March 13. The governor's party will be met at the depot by a military escort and a salute will be fired in his honor. Several regiments of the college are expected to be present.

With the equipment at hand and the number of stunts and features which are on the program, the committee of which Major Hanford is chairman promises an interesting and novel affair.

CUDAHY IN NEW JOB

Chicago, Mar. 3.—Joseph M. Cudahy, former president of the Cudahy Packing company, today succeeded W. H. Isom as president of the Sinclair Refining company, the refining and marketing subsidiary of the Sinclair Consolidated Oil corporation.

ADMIRAL BENSON NAMED FOR SHIPPING BOARD JOB

Washington, Mar. 3.—Admiral William B. Benson, retired, was yesterday nominated by President Wilson to be a member of the shipping board.

DEMOCRATS ASKED TO SIGN HOOVER NOMINATING PETITIONS

Petitions have been sent to the Capital Journal office and can be signed there to place Herbert Hoover's name upon the primary ballot as a democratic candidate for president.

The fact that Hoover has refused to state his party allegiance does not prevent the people of either or both parties from nominating him against the wishes of the politicians, and his own wishes. It is a case of the job seeking man.

Only registered democrats are eligible to sign these petitions, but if any republican will get out similar petitions to nominate Hoover, the Capital Journal will render similar aid in securing signatures.

It is up to the people to beat the politicians to it and name the next president. If you are a democrat, sign this petition. If you are a republican, get out a petition of your own.

COURT RULES DEFENSE IN TRIAL OF TEN ALLEGED RADICALS HAS FAILED TO PROVE GRIMM INVITED DEATH

Judge Wilson Declares Commission Of Overt Act By Former Service Man During Centralia Armistice Day Parade Not Established By Testimony In Case.

Montesano, Wash., Mar. 3.—Defense counsel in the trial of ten alleged I. W. W. charged with the murder of Warren O. Grimm, Centralia Armistice Day parade victim, has failed to show that Warren O. Grimm committed an overt act on the day he lost his life. It has failed to show that Grimm was a party to any alleged conspiracy to raid the I. W. W. hall in Centralia.

This was the conclusion of Judge John M. Wilson, presiding at the trial, today. The ruling came at the close of the morning session of court, Judge Wilson holding that the evidence thus far produced by the defense had fallen far short of showing an overt act on the part of Grimm. The court also held that the defense had failed to show preconcert and presence on the part of the deceased in any alleged conspiracy.

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"The court is of the opinion that the evidence falls far short of being sufficient to show an overt act on the part of Grimm," said Judge Wilson in ruling. Judge Wilson declared, that in his opinion, only generalities relating to an alleged conspiracy have thus far been brought out by the defense. Evidence of what may have occurred at meetings of Centralia commercial interests, at which it is alleged a raid on the hall was discussed, cannot be offered, the court ruled, until Grimm's knowledge of, or presence at such meetings was shown.

Plans were formulated at last night's meeting for the inauguration of an aggressive campaign for a \$50,000 structure to be erected at Salem and to be used as a club house by all ex-service men. Members of the local post are confident that with county and city aid and by general subscription, sufficient funds will be readily secured for the erection of a suitable building which will be a splendid memorial to Oregon's gold star heroes.

Those who advocated the plan at the meeting pointed out that many such community houses have been erected in the United States and that there are already two in Oregon.

A resolution prepared by Comrade Lyle Page of the local post, places the measure before the county court for an affirmative or negative answer. Despite the fact that the county budget is usually "loaded to the guards" the legionaires are confident that favorable action will be taken.

Comrade Pilkington presented a measure which also received general interest. The resolution was heartily approved and passed, as it embodies four features now pending in congress. These projects are:

Land settlement not confined to a few states but covering farms in all states.

Aid to encourage the purchase of homes in either city or country.

Vocational training for all ex-service individuals desiring it.

Adjustment of compensation or final adjustment of extra back pay, based on length of service for those not availing themselves of any one of the three preceding features.

A third resolution adopted by the post, petitions Oregon congressional members to support the bill which provides pensions for disabled Spanish-American war veterans.

All service and ex-service men in the vicinity of Salem are urged by the local post to join the American Legion, as it is a case of "united we stand, divided we fall." The projects supported by the Legion promises fair-play and a square deal for all who participated in the late war. One Legionaire expressed the situation tritely, when he stated "A man must be a pretty poor specimen to look forward to the benefits these projects will bring; without himself getting in and aiding the work."

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