

FALLS CITY NEWS

VOL. XIII

FALLS CITY OREGON, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1916

No. 11.

CEMENT TRUST IN THE TOILS

Combination In Restraint of Trade Charged Against Western Magnates

Sixteen cement men, some of them millionaires, the chief officials of every important cement manufacturing concern on the Pacific coast, face prosecution to day as the result of indictments which have been returned by the federal grand jury, charging them with combination in restraint of trade in the organization and operation of an air-tight cement trust.

The arrest of the following magnates is expected:

R. T. Butchart, president, and Clark M. Moore, sales manager of the Oregon Portland Cement company, of Oswego and Portland.

Henry Cowell, president, and W. H. George, secretary, of the Cowell Portland Cement company, of Cowell and San Francisco, Cal.

F. G. Drum, president; R. B. Henderson, treasurer, and Frank W. Erlin, general manager, of the Pacific Portland Cement company, consolidated, of Cement and San Francisco, Cal.

William G. Henshaw, president, and Tyler Henshaw, vice president of the Riverside Portland Cement company, of Riverside and San Francisco, Cal.

George T. Cameron, president, and Fred H. Muhs, manager, of both the Santa Cruz Portland Cement company, of Davenport, Cal., and of the Standard Portland Cement corporation of Napa Junction and San Francisco, Cal.

John C. Eden, president, and A. A. Sutherland, treasurer, of the Superior Portland Cement company, of Concrete and Seattle, Wash.

A. F. Coats, president, of the Washington Portland Cement company, of Concrete and Seattle, Wash.

Alexander Baillie, resident agent, and W. P. Cameron, general manager, of the Olympic Portland Cement company, a British and Canadian concern, of Bellingham and Seattle, Wash.

Combination Is Alleged.

The indictment was returned October 27, but was kept secret until today. It charges that an airtight combination whereby prices were fixed and territory assigned, was formed by these companies in August, 1914. For more than a year secret agents of the department of justice have been digging into the case. It took 10 days to present the evidence they had compiled to the grand jury.

The case was originally presented by United States District Attorney Clarence L. Reames, but he was called south to conduct the prosecution of the San Francisco land fraud cases right in the middle of things, and Assistant Federal Attorney Barnett H. Goldstein took charge of affairs and drew the indictment.

The state of affairs, summarized from the indictment and Mr. Goldstein's explanation, approximately is this:

Trust Is Accomplished.

Prior to 1911 there were only five cement companies on the Coast.

Then came the establishment of the Superior company, and the Washington company in Seattle. That was the end of peace. The Washington concern went after business rough shod, and the toes

of the California companies were sorely trampled. This situation continued until after the Olympic company started up at Bellingham.

In August, 1914, after the reorganization of the Portland company, but before it began turning out goods, the officials of all the companies came to an understanding. This, it is alleged, was the understanding.

There should be no price competition.

The Washington companies should keep out of Oregon and California.

The Northern California group shouldn't touch Washington, but could have part of Oregon.

The Southern California company should keep to itself.

The three Washington companies split the state into territories and operated each in its own corner.

"To keep up the semblance of competition," explained Mr. Goldstein this morning. "They operated with collusive bids. If somebody over in Vancouver, Wash., wanted cement the Portland company couldn't sell it to them. It had to be shipped down from Seattle. If they asked for bids in Vancouver, of course several companies might bid, but first they would telephone up to Seattle, find out Seattle prices, and add 10 to 30 cents to that amount."

"We have evidence in the form of bids turned in on work to the army engineers, the Celilo canal, the city and the county, which show that time after time the whole price schedule was fixed."

The defendants, if found guilty are subject to a fine not exceeding \$5000, or by imprisonment in jail (not penitentiary) not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. Bail has been fixed at \$2500 in each case.

TRIBUTE PAID MOTHER

Son Returns After 70 Years to Mark Grave With Monument.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 4.—R. L. Dashiell, a native of Louisville and now a resident of Dallas, Or., came here after an absence of 70 years to honor the memory of his mother, "the beautiful lady on the hill," and has now returned to his western home after attending the dedication of a monument to his mother on the old burying ground of the Dashiell family.

For two weeks Mr. Dashiell, old and gray-bearded, superintended excavation on the site of the cemetery of 70 years ago, which later was the site of a fort built by General Don Carlos Buell at the approach of Bragg's troops from the South. The old man confided his secret to none of the residents of the vicinity, hence aroused much curiosity. At the end of that time there was excavated the remains believed to be those of his mother, Mrs. D. W. Dashiell.

The expense of the trip, location, excavation and monument was borne jointly by Mr. Dashiell and his brother, Dr. D. W. Dashiell, a noted physician in the early days of Kentucky. When the Oregon man was only six years old his mother, the central figure in the famous old play, "The Beautiful Lady on the Hill," and said to have been one of the most beautiful women in Kentucky, died. She was buried in the orchard near the old Dashiell place and a massive brick wall, 40 feet square, was built around the burying ground. A year later, taking his two little

boys, the physician went West. This was in 1843.

Much history is connected with the Dashiell place. The house, built in 1835, still stands. In it were entertained at different times Henry Clay, President Zachary Taylor, George D. Prentice and other Kentucky notables. The monument, dedicated by two Louisville pastors, has the following inscription:

"Erected to the Memory of My Mother, Mrs. D. W. Dashiell, the Beautiful Lady on the Hill."

JOURNAL SUED FOR AD

Firm Placing Advertisement also in Court to a Tune of \$4,000

For the alleged false impression conveyed in a quarter-page advertisement in the Portland Journal August 25, 1916, damages of \$4000 are asked in a suit filed in the Circuit Court yesterday by the Washington-Street Market.

The action is brought against Alex Friedman, butcher; Harry Marcus, C. S. Jackson and the Journal Publishing Company. Friedman conducted the Seattle Meat Market, having a stall in the Washington-Street Public Market prior to August 25.

The objectionable advertisement of that day told of his removal from the market, and was worded in such a manner that a casual reader might conclude that it was the Washington-Street Public Market that had moved, it is alleged.

WILSON ELECTED.

Woodrow Wilson was re-elected President of the United States. Oregon remained true to her colors in spite of the—"He kept us out of war" fallacy. The Democrats are feeling very hilarious over the election, as it is right they should, but listen for doleful sounds from these same Democrats after the European war closes. Let them rejoice while they may. Eat, drink and be merry for there will come a time when they will pull their belts yet a little tighter. So long as the United States can furnish food to feed and ammunition to kill the hordes across the waters, times will be good in certain localities, but woe unto the workers and the farmers when this war ends.

VOTE AT FALLS CITY

| President | S. W. | N. W. | N. E. | S. E. |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Wilson | 72 | 22 | 56 | 34 |
| Hughes | 57 | 46 | 92 | 46 |
| Benson | 12 | 8 | 11 | 7 |
| Congress | | | | |
| Hawley | 64 | 42 | 95 | 57 |
| Weatherford | 37 | 14 | 39 | 21 |
| Richards | 10 | 13 | 12 | 7 |
| COUNTY | | | | |
| Sheriff | | | | |
| Orr | 120 | 58 | 128 | 65 |
| Co. Clerk | | | | |
| Holman | 69 | 43 | 87 | 43 |
| Robinson | 66 | 26 | 55 | 33 |
| Treasurer | | | | |
| Simonton | 52 | 18 | 38 | 25 |
| Snyder | 80 | 46 | 91 | 47 |

OUR 1916-1917 COMBINATION OFFER ALL OREGON PAPERS

| | |
|--|--------|
| Falls City News One year, | \$1.00 |
| Evening Telegram, Three months | 1.00 |
| The leading Republican paper in the State. | |
| Rural Spirit, One year | 1.00 |
| A weekly for the farmer and stockman. | |
| Poultry Life, One year | |
| Devoted to progressive poultry culture in the Northwest. | 50 |
| Total value, | \$3.50 |

ALL FOUR PAPERS FOR \$2.25 YOU SAVE \$1.25.

Always The Best

Our store is now re-arranged and we are prepared to serve you with the best in our line.

GROCERIES

We now have a nice fresh stock of staple groceries that we invite you to call and examine.

SHOES AND LOGGERS' SUPPLIES

Shoes for everyone, and especially for the man who needs something to stand hard usage.

Falls City Logging & Lumber Co.

BUY YOUR

Dry Goods,
Clothing,
Shoes,
Underwear,
and Groceries from

SELIG'S, Cash Price Store,
"Meeting and Beating Competition".

Only One Night

En Route

A New Train

Portland to San Francisco

Lv. PORTLAND 8:20 A. M.

Ar. SAN FRANCISCO 5:50 P. M.

STANDARD AND TOURIST SLEEPING CARS
STEEL COACHES. DINING CAR

Willamette--Umpqua--Sacramento
VALLEYS

BY

DAYLIGHT

TWO OTHER DAILY TRAINS

Shasta Limited--San Francisco Express

Lv. 3:50 p. m.

Lv. 8:00 p. m.

SHASTA ROUTE

CONFECTIONS FOR ALL EASTERN AND
SOUTHERN POINTS

Ask Local Agent for Information

JOHN M. SCOTT, General Passenger Agent, Portland

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

WHEN BUYING

YOUR WINTER SHOES REMEMBER

THE SHOE STORE

GOOD SHOES, LATEST STYLES,
AT LOWEST PRICES FOR CASH.

MRS. E. FORSHEY

FALLS CITY, OREGON.

Assessor

Fenton 55 23 46 23
Graves 81 44 94 52
Supt. 66 39 71 29
Crowley 74 32 80 51
Fuller
Surveyor
Robb 62 34 100 43
Taylor 63 36 42 33

Commissioner

Bohannon 25 18 25 8
Dennis 26 7 18 10
Manston 86 45 110 59
Reports from the county show that the Democrats elected the county clerk, school superintendent and district attorney.