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One and one-third fare for the round trip; daily from May 29th to October 15th, 1905. Limit, thirty days, but not later than October 31st.

For parties of ten or more from one point, (must travel together on one ticket both ways) party tickets will be sold as follows: One fare for the round trip. Date of sale, daily from May 29th to October 15. Ten days' limit.

No stopovers will be allowed on any of the above tickets; they must be used for the continuous passage in each direction.

Couch excursions will be run from time to time for which individual tickets good only in coaches will be sold at very low rates. Particulars as to rates, dates, etc., will be announced later.

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## LAND-FRAUD TRIALS BEGIN

COURT OPENED ON MONDAY

Indictment of Senator Mitchell Attacked - Defense Claimed It Illegal - is Overruled.

The demurrer to the indictment of Senator Mitchell, was heard Monday morning, and was the first of the Oregon land-fraud cases, to come before Judge De Haven. The indictment accusing John H. Mitchell of accepting a fee for services performed while United States Senator

Judge De Haven, overruled the demurrer of the defense and set the trial of Senator Mitchell for Tuesday June 20. The great land fraud case will now enter on the actual fight in court with all technical barriers swept away.

The alleged crime for which the Government is endeavoring to place Senator Mitchell on trial consists in accepting a fee from Frederick A. Kribs for expediting claims before the General Land Office while a United States Senator. This is contrary to the Federal statutes. The issue was the legality of the indictment itself, and the principal arguments of the defense were that the document was loosely drawn, that if tried on its indefinite allegations Senator Mitchell might be again placed in jeopardy, and above all, that the indictment did not even allege that Mr. Mitchell was a Senator at the time of the commission of the crime charged.

That Senator Mitchell entered into an agreement between Frederick A. Kribs and A. H. Tanner, by which the firm of Mitchell & Tanner were to expedite certain claims in the possession of Kribs then pending in the General Land office, which claims had been held up for investigation owing to irregularities; that for every claim passed through to patent the defendant was to receive a fee. Senator Mitchell working in Washington and Tanner in Portland; that fees were paid and the service rendered contrary to the Federal statutes governing the conduct of public officials of the Government.

The defense contends by demurrer that the indictment is not definite and certain, in that it does not allege John H. Mitchell to have been a Senator at the time of the commission of the crime, an allegation made necessary by the fact that his office made his alleged acts illegal when otherwise they were according to law; that it does not set out in particular terms the special claims for the expedition of which fees were alleged to have been paid; that the description of the claims is vague and indistinct and technical and that the indictment through its uncertainty does not form a bar to future prosecution upon the same charge in the case of trial and acquittal or conviction.

District attorney Heney contends that the indictment is definite and certain; that by recitation the allegation is made that John H. Mitchell was a Senator of the United States at the time of the alleged crime; that the claims set out in general are afterwards particularized in a list given which makes definite the allegation as to which claims are involved; that the abbreviation used in the description of the claims in the indictment are usual and well known and allowable.

### Beaverton Happenings.

On Wednesday evening last, at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Allen, South Beaverton, a few friends were entertained in a charming manner, in honor of Miss Rebecca Williams who recently came to visit her sister, Mrs. Allen. At the close of a very pleasant evening, dainty refreshments of delicious cake, strawberries and cream were served. Those present were: Mrs. Henry Allen, Misses Marie Allen, Alice Williams, Alfreda Williams, Rebecca Williams, Messrs James Allen, Alton Allen, Floyd Allen, T. J. Allen and wife.

Feed, barley and bran for sale at Cale's market.

### Weather Report.

The first of the week was cloudy and cool and good rains fell in nearly all sections of the state. On Wednesday the rains ceased and the remainder of the week was warm and pleasant.

The warm weather and bright sunshine immediately following the rains had a very beneficial effect on all crops, and a marked improvement is noted, especially in the condition of field corn, potatoes and onions, which are now growing rapidly. Fall grain continues to head nicely, and barley and rye will soon be ready to cut. Spring wheat and oats are growing satisfactorily. The grain aphid continues numerous in the Willamette valley and in some portions of southern Oregon, but so far but little damage has occurred. Gardens and roots show a marked improvement. Grasses are growing rapidly and some hay has been cut in southern Oregon. Haying will not become general, however, for about two weeks. Pastures continue in fine condition and stock is doing well, especially dairy cattle.

Cherries are ripening slowly, with the yield considerably below average in most sections. Other tree fruits indicate lighter yields than usual; especially peaches, prunes and early apples. Late apples and pears promise better results. Bush fruit is setting nicely and an abundant yield is promised.

### Cornelius will Celebrate.

The Washington County Annual Encampment of the G. A. R. Veterans will be held in Cornelius, this year in connection with their big Fourth of July Celebration. We are informed that this will be the biggest celebration in many years. An invitation to the Veterans attending the exposition has been issued and many are expected to be present. Arrangements have been made for a big base ball game, between the two best teams in the county; a balloon ascension; steam swing, and many other amusements.

This is the only town in the county that is going to celebrate this year and a large attendance is expected. The celebration and encampment will be held in the grove at Cornelius and the grounds have been arranged to accommodate all. Interesting programs for the encampment including the Fourth have been arranged. On the 3rd, and Fourth, a base ball game and sports have been arranged; among which is a pigeon shoot for the old soldiers only. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and help the boys celebrate.

### June Graduates.

Report of Eighth grade examination held June 8th and 9th.

No. of applicants taking the examination 18.

No. who received diplomas 8.

No. who passed conditionally 3.

Names of those receiving diplomas were as follows:

District No. 2.—Albert Woodard, Nora Little, Joe Kidder and Chester Martin.

District No. 7.—Emma Scott and Jessie Anderson.

District No. 12.—Bulah Ireland.

District No. 61.—Walter Nelson.

Those passing conditionally were: Sevilla Plowman in Dist. No. 7.

Emma David in Dist. No. 12.

Maude Lilly in Dist. No. 30.

### Lewis and Clark Exposition.

During the Lewis and Clark exposition the Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets to Portland, limit thirty days, at one and one third fare for the round trip. For parties of ten or more traveling on one ticket, one fare for the round trip. For organized parties of one hundred or more, individual tickets at one fare for round trip.

Stopover of ten days will be given at Portland on all one way tickets reading through that point during the exposition. Tickets must be deposited with Joint Agent at Portland and a charge of fifty cents will be made for the extension of time.

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## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Over 400 Bills are Allowed - Bridge Contract Awarded to J. W. Goodin for \$5,630.

In the matter of the location, change and vacation of county road on petition of L. S. Sutton, et al. Report of viewers and surveyor, read first time June 7, second reading June 8. There being no remonstrance or claim for damage filed. It is ordered that said road be established in accordance with survey and plat; that the road specified in the viewers report be vacated. It was ordered that an order be issued to supervisor of road district No. 3, to open said road and the vacation of said road. A warrant was ordered drawn for John Kamma and Wm. Schulmerich, for \$400 each.

In the matter of the location and vacation of county road, on petition of W. W. Williams et al. There being no remonstrance or claim of damages filed; it is ordered that the road be established in accordance with plat and survey, also that the old road be vacated as recommended in the viewers report. It is further ordered that the supervisor be notified to open said road and for the vacation of said old road. It was ordered that warrants be drawn in favor of J. W. Marsh for \$300 and Francis Chalmers for \$400.

Sealed bids for Jackson bridge opened as follows: J. B. Tillotson, \$7,484.00; J. W. Goodin, \$5,630.00 for piling and; \$6,130.00, cedar piling; M. S. Dailey, \$9,000.00; D. B. Reasoner, \$5,794.40; Olds and Harris, \$7,840.10; S. M. Holland, \$4,900.00 for piling and \$5,700.00, cedar.

Bids on Cornelius bridge; D. B. Reasoner, \$279.00; J. W. Goodin, \$233.00. Contract awarded to J. W. Goodin.

Sealed bids for fills for Jackson Bottom bridge. The only bid received was from E. A. Mead, \$848.00, it was ordered that this bid be rejected.

In the matter of the petition of P. Patton, for location of public road, affidavits of circulating petition, and posting notices filed and bond approved, and was ordered that the petition be received; J. W. Hughes and W. K. Newell, were appointed viewers, and A. A. Morrill surveyor, to meet at the Darling Smith place on Tuesday, June 20, at 10 o'clock a. m., to view and survey proposed road and assess damages.

In the matter of petition for the location of a road by T. G. Meacham et al, affidavits of petition, and notices filed, and bond filed and ordered that bond be approved. Wm. A. Montgomery and Wm. N. Haynam were appointed viewers, A. A. Morrill surveyor, to meet at the Meacham school house on Thursday, June 29, at 10 o'clock, to view, survey and assess damages on proposed road.

In the matter of the transcript of the inquest of Wm. Grow, ordered that warrant be drawn as per transcript.

It was ordered that an overclaim for taxes of E. C. Brown, amount \$12.80 be refunded.

Claim of Louis Larson, for excess collection of taxes was ordered that \$2.21 be refunded.

E. I. Kuratli, recorders report of \$235.20 be approved.

The transcript of the State of Oregon vs. John Bloom, approved, costs and expenses paid by fine, balance turned over to treasurer.

State of Oregon, vs. J. U. Swift, bills allowed as per transcript.

State of Oregon vs. Sarah E. Smith and E. A. Ives bills allowed as per transcript.

It was ordered that F. J. Bailey, M. D., be appointed secretary of the county board of health.

The appointment of James Butler, as deputy sheriff was confirmed by the court.

The report of E. J. Godman,

county clerk, of \$104.75 was approved.

Petition of Ella Huston, to redeem land sold to Washington county, for delinquent taxes allowed.

In the petition for rebate on taxes of John M. Underwood, was not allowed.

Petition of Carl Berggen, et al, for appropriation on county road; referred to county judge.

M. S. Holland, the lowest bidder on the contract for Jackson Bottom bridge failed to furnish a good and sufficient bond, and the contract was let to J. W. Goodin, the next lowest bidder, for the sum of \$5630. He was also required to give bond of \$5,000. The contract for the fills was also awarded to J. W. Goodin, for the sum of \$700.00.

The county judge was authorized to draw warrant on treasurer, not to exceed \$500; advance on contract, if such advance be necessary.

The treasurer was authorized to transfer \$200 from the county road fund to the road fund of district No. 26.

In the matter of the location of county road by L. B. Fair et al, bond filed and approved and Joseph Schulmerich, and J. J. Hartly be appointed viewers and A. A. Morrill, surveyor, to meet at the Carstens Bros. sawmill; on Friday, June 16 at 10 o'clock a. m., to view and assess damages.

The following bills were examined and allowed:

ROAD CLAIMS.	
J. J. Krebs, power etc.....	\$12.50
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Paul Henschel, work on road.....	4.80
Wallace Brown, work on road.....	1.80
Jack Martin.....	29.00
E. Hansen, work on road.....	66.80
W. D. Baker, work on road.....	8.60
E. W. Haines, W. Tibbitts, W. O. R.....	21.00
W. W. Phillip, work on road.....	19.00
Geo Zimmerman, work on road.....	21.00
John Zimmerman, work on road.....	9.00
Henry Hendrickson work on road.....	3.00
E. W. Hamilton work on road.....	15.00
F. Hanson work on road.....	15.00
L. McClarkin work on road.....	9.75
E. Wright work on road.....	4.80
J. Main work on road.....	13.00
Burtie Cummings work on road.....	19.00
Ernest Cupler work on road.....	9.00
H. Rasmussen work on road.....	2.25
Amos Mead work on road.....	64.00
Pete Christensen work on road.....	1.50
August Kempin work on road.....	3.75
E. Baker work on road.....	1.50
W. Rose work on road.....	18.00
Wm. Rogers work on road.....	22.10
Chas. Achpole, powder etc.....	22.55
M. E. Dille, work on road.....	21.70
Hammond & Davis, work on road.....	22.80
J. Newman, work on road.....	10.00
E. F. Cornelius, work on road.....	12.35
F. G. Miller, work on road.....	7.50
W. W. Schlegel, work on road.....	1.50
J. Young, work on road.....	12.00
J. Young, work on road.....	20.00
Mrs. Sarah Galtbreath, work on road.....	6.75
B. R. Harrington, work on road.....	18.00
Grant Zumwalt, work on road.....	6.00
J. F. Ford, work on road.....	7.50
W. H. Miller, work on road.....	12.00
Albert Porter, work on road.....	22.75
C. Davis, work on road.....	9.00
Wills Anderson, work on road.....	6.00
John Anderson, work on road.....	81.00
J. Q. Adams, work on road.....	3.00
J. J. Landers, work on road.....	7.50
W. H. Miller, work on road.....	6.00
Da. Emerson, work on road.....	3.00
J. I. Northrup, work on road.....	49.50
W. W. Williams, work on road.....	6.00
Fred Schlegel, work on road.....	7.12
John Goerde, work on road.....	4.75
Dominic Kinsler, work on road.....	6.00
Anton Satter, work on road.....	9.00

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## CROWNED WITH SUCCESS

TO DISCUSS QUESTION OF PEACE

President Roosevelt's Effort is Successful - Meeting Place now being Considered.

Washington, June 12—Official assurance that the president's efforts to bring Russia and Japan together to discuss peace will be crowned with success was brought to the White House today by Count Cassina, the Russian ambassador, who called by appointment and in the name of Emperor Nicholas formally accepted the president's "offer of good will." The following official statement regarding the conference was issued at the White House:

Ambassador Cassina has called to express the Russian government's assent to the president's proposition and to state that they would appoint plenipotentiaries to meet the plenipotentiaries of Japan to discuss the question of peace. The place of meeting is at present being discussed.

During the past two weeks the president's efforts have been directed toward a mutual agreement to consider terms of peace. This he accomplished finally today. It remains now for the belligerent powers to name their plenipotentiaries and agree upon a time and place for them to meet to discuss terms and to negotiate a treaty of peace. These duties are now under consideration, with a bright prospect that minor differences as may exist will be resolved within a few days.

Japan was the first of the two powers to indicate its acceptance of President Roosevelt's proposition. The formal response to his identical note of Thursday last was received from the Japanese government Saturday. Informal assurances of the acceptance of the president's suggestion were received from the Russian government a little later, but were not of the same definite character as had been received from Tokio.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says:

"It is no exaggeration to say that President Roosevelt is the most popular man in Russia today. The president's rare insight, aided by the skill and tact of his ambassador, Mr. Meyer, enabled him to gauge the proper moment at which to offer advice which the initiator of The Hague peace conference could not refuse."

The National Editorial association convention, was concluded at Guthrie, Okla., last Friday. All members of the association and

their wives, who wish to visit the Portland exposition, left for Fort Worth, Texas, Saturday, and will take the southern route through California to Portland. The party is due to reach Portland, June 26., and remain three days. Mr. Bath will not return with the excursion party, but will visit through the middle West, and return via the N. P. railroad to Portland about July 1. Portland has been selected as the place for the next meeting of the Association in 1906.

Every day is a special day at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. Important events take place daily. There is music by the best bands in the world, and it costs you nothing to hear the concerts. On the Trail you may hear music played by people of various nationalities, on the odd instruments peculiar to each land.

Five sets of jewels which are said to have once belonged to Queen Isabella of Spain will be sold soon at auction, there being included in the collection gems bequeathed to Stanford University by Mrs. Stanford. The valuation put on them is \$1,000,000, and the other jewels to be included in the sale at as much more.

Through the efforts of the G. A. R. flag day observances are becoming general throughout the United States. In every state and in almost every village in this country the nation's flag was generally displayed last Wednesday, June 14. Flag day is considered by the G. A. R. veterans as of special importance in teaching patriotism, and is intended especially to benefit the children.

### One Fare For Round Trip.

The Southern Pacific Company will make a rate of one fare for the round trip from Portland to all points in Oregon, Ashland and north for visitors from the East to the exposition at Portland to enable them to look over Western Oregon with a view of settling or investing. These tickets will be good for fifteen days limit, with stop over at all intermediate points, and will be sold to holders of the exposition round trip tickets from points East of the Rocky Mountains.

This will afford the various counties and communities that will maintain exhibits and advertise in other ways at the exposition, every inducement to have the Eastern people visit their section.

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