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BANDONIAN UP FOR PERJURY

Conflicting Testimony of Fred Gross, Charged With Contempt of Court, Gets Judge's Goat.

SENTENCE PASSED THIS AFTERNOON

Court Dwells Upon Actions of Defendant and Hints More Serious Charge May Be Brought.

Coquille, Nov. 11—Fred Gross, convicted of contempt of court in the matter of failing to carry out the instructions of the Court, was fined $50 and sentenced to serve 60 days in jail by Judge Coke this afternoon. The prison sentence was suspended during good behavior.

Fred Gross, one of thep ropriotors of the Opera Saloon of this city, will be sentenced for contempt of court this afternoon by Judge Coke. The charge came as the result of the failure of Gross to live up to thedirections given him by the Court at the conclusion of the Gross versus Gross divorce case.

"Not only are you guilty of contempt of court, but of perjury here as well," said the Judge in a talk scoring the actions of Gross both in and out of court. "In the first place you let my instructions go unheeded and then on this stand you have sworn falsely."

The action of the defendant in marrying a second time within six months of the granting of the divorce did not make a hit with the court. Declaring that Gross had been too free in his attentions to women before and after marriage, the Judge hinted that the episodes might be the grounds for grand jury investigation.

It is reported that Gross was decidedly flippant in his testimony and the perjury phase graw out of his conflicting accountss of his property. First he made the assertion, it is alleged that he had no property and then turned around and declared that he did have property. To get out of this he said that the property had been sold, but later changed his mind and remarked that it was still in his name.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

A most unique and interesting program was rendered Thursday morning by the Junior Literary Society. Each number was exceptionally good and much credit is due Miss Noren for her excellent work in coaching them. The unveiling of the the 1916 pennant caused the Junior spirit to soar higher than ever.

Thef aculty members are entertaining the high school students by classes. Last Friday evening a very enjoyable party was given to the Seniors and Juniors att he high school building, and on this Friday evening the Sophomores and Freshmen are invited to a similar treat.

The election of a yell master occupied a few moments of assembly on Thursday morning. This honor fell to Mr. Harold Johnson, who rose to the occasion and led the student body "on to victory"—if one may judge by the energy and spirit of the response of the students.

The next patron-teacher's meeting will occur on January eighth.

The Burrough's adding machine Co. has loaned to the Commercial Department one of their new adding.

Geo. C. Murphy, of Coos Bay, is in the city on business.

$75,000 FOR BANDON PORT

Report of War Department on Rivers and Harbors Budget Recommends Sum for Coquille River.

MAY BE PRUNED BEFORE CONGRESS

Coos Bay Gets $80,000 and No Recommendation for Work on the Harbor at Port Orford.

Seventy six thosand dollars is the estimated appropriation for the Coquille River for the fisca lyear beginning July 1, 1915, according to the report of the Government enginers which was presented to Congress by the War Department this week.

This does not mean that the Coquille River is to get this amount of money, as the apropriation may be cut down in its passage before Congress. In the last appropriation estimate we were allowed something over $90,000, and the bill as finally passed gave us but $26,000. Howveer, it is not estimated that the appropriations will be cut to any great extent during this session of Congress.

Coos Bay suffered quite an unpleasant surprise when it became known that their estimate only reached $80,000. From the reports in the papers of Marshfield and North Bend they expected and needed many times this amount to cary out the work which they have planned. The Evening Record of a recent date placed their prospective appropriation at $2,000,000 and that of Port Orford at half a million dollars. The Curry County port is not mentioned in the report of the engineers.

Following is the list of estimates for river and harbor work in Oregon, as given in the report:

Coquille River, $76,000; Coos Bay harbor, $80,000; Nehalem Bay, $116,175; Siuslaw River, $117,500 (provided the Port of Siuslaw appropriates a similar sum); Tillamook Bay and Bar, $207,000; Willamette and Yamhill rivers, $42,5000, and the provision for the work on the Columbia River and bar is $1,750,000.

JUNIOR CLASS ENTERTAINED HIGH SCHOOL THURSDAY

Yesterday morning the Junior class entertained the High School in the school auditorium, with a program which included songs, readings, recitations and wound up with a short sketch entitled "Malefactors of Great Wealth." Every number on the program was perfectly rendered, and the class is to be congratulated on their sucess and zeal. Following is the program which was given:

Adress, Harold Johnson.

Song, Grace Gibson, Ruby Berkhart, Belle Chatburn, "Chinatown, My Chinatown"

Current Events, Flora Philpot, "The Literary Digest."

Vocal Solo, Mrs. Attabury.

Reading, Chester Teegarden, "Jenkins Goes to a Picnic."

Book Review, Olive Wilson.

The cast of characters for "Malefactors of Grfeat Wealth" was as follows:

Dan, who evidently has credit at the gum counter, Harry Brownson.

Jack, just an ordinary boy, Sam Armstrong.

Pete, just hungry, Orlan Morgan.

Annabel, just fashionable, Delpha Langlois.

Meenie, just out of patience with things, Ora Jameson

Isla, just a girl, May Kinley.

Madge, just another girl, Daisy Shields

A new front with a display window is being put on the building occupied by Sam Bartows' bicycle shop on First Street.

Not Dead, but Dying!

Oh where, Oh where, has our Commercial Club gone, Oh where can the boosters be?

Last week Congressman-elect C. N. McArthur visited Bandon to acquaint himself with the needs of our city and our port. Shortly before that Senators Geo. E. Chamberlain and Harry Lane were in the city on the same mission and early in the fall a delegation of Portland business men made the trip into this part of the country to see what Bandon and the surrounding country had to offer in the way of prospective business.

To all of these we made the same answer, "Get out and look for yourself,"

Undoubtedly first hand information is what these people, who are in position to help and willing to help us build up our city, wanted, but they also wanted to know what we as a municipality wanted and not what a few of our citizens were in favor of. Let us not be misunderstood as saying that the acts of those few public-spirited citizens, who took it upon themselves to entertain the city's visitors, were accompanied by a selfish spirit; we admire these men because they saw that something had to be done and they did it.

Our question is, "Why were these men called upon to take the time away from their business to act as the sponsers for the city in a matter which was for the good of the entire city?"

Aside from this there is another face to the matter and that is why should these men take any pains to help a community which appears to be indifferent as to its own advancement. It is hardly probable that these or other visitors have put any different constuction on the attitude of the people here.

A year or two ago we had a live Commercial Club and it did some admirable work. What has become of it? Once each month the secretary comes around and collects a dollar for dues from those who still have hopes of a rejuvenation, therefore we surmise that such a body is still in existance—but that is the only evidence of life.

A live knocker gets more results than a dead booster!

Portland Man Suggests Plan For Building Plank Roads

Permanent "Made-in-Oregon" roads is the plan of S. B. Cobb of Portland, for the betterment of our highways and a method of keeping our mills in operation during the slumps of the lumber market. Further than this Mr. Cobb's method of building roads seems to be particularly adapted to the conditions in Coos cuonty, where we are facing the problem of constructing fairly good roads for the smallest outlay possible.

"I propose that the product of Oregon sawmills be used to build roads, not ordinary plank roads that do not give good service, bt well-constructed and well-drained timber roadways that will cost about half what the hard surface costs," says Mr. Cobb.

"All the material used would be Oregon material—Oregon made lumber by Oregon labor and Oregon men. A hard surface roadway is made from material from Trinadad and from cement from outside of the state. The timber road proposed would be laid in pieces 6x6, vertically with the grain and not flat. These pieces will be laid in cedar pieces, which in turn would rest on a rock or gravel foundation. Between the cedar bearings there will be drainage ditches to connect with cross drainage to the side of the road. The 6x6 pieces are to be spiked to the cedar pieces, the spikes to be sunk below the surface one inche or more. When these 6x6 pieces become worn they can be turned and used longer. A gasoline machine can be sent out on the road and the pieces can be worked down to 5x5 to prolong the life of the timber roadway. Construction of these timber roadways thruout the state would do much toward putting idle sawmills and idle men to work."

SHORT NEWSY NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITOL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10—With the House and Senate buildings taking on signs of life, hotel lobbies filling up, the line of visitors at the White House daily increasing, and nearly every train arriving in Washington bringing Senators and Representatives back to town, all of Washington is beginning to buzz busily in anticipation of the assembling of Congress.

The President is understood to have assured legislators he will not present any new legislation at this session. He intends, however, to insist upon final action on those unfinished measres which he fostered—reorganization of the merchant marine, conservation acts, and the Philippines independence act.

Members of the House committee on apropriation and naval affairs are working on the supply bills for this session. Democratic members generaly sounded as the keynote of the session the hope that all necessary business would be concluded by Mar. 4, so that an extra session would be unnecessary.

The exportation of horses on account of the European war has reached such a stage that legislation to restrict it may be advisable, according to local horsemen. Fears are expressed that this pexort movement may deprive the United States army of its source of supply.

Arrangements have been completed for the resumption of the dispatch of parcel post mails from the United States for Germany, Austria, and Hungary.

The United States Supreme Court is exceeding ly busy these days. In one day it announced decisions in about two dozen cases. The "Jim Crow" car law of Oklahoma, which permitted railroads to carry sleeping and dining cars for whites without providing "equal" accomodations for colored travelers, was held to be invalid because it violated the 14th amendment of the Federal Constitution.

Stage stars have shone on the witness stand in the hearing of Philander Johnson's suit against Raymond Hitchcock and others for producing "The Beauty Shop," which is claimed to be similar to Johnson's play "Dr. Fakewell." Among theatrical notables called as witnesses were Henry Miller, actor, Augustus Thomas, tireless writer of best seller plays, Daniel Frohman, manager and producer and Harry B. Smith, who wrote the libretto for "Robin Hood."

The aspirations of Houdini, the "handcuff king," to enlarge his list of achievements by jumping from the Washington monument with a parachute were destroyed when Col. W. W. Harts, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, told Houdini's manager that he would not permit the classic structure to be used for such a lurid performance. "The monument is a stately memorial, not a part of a gymnasium equipment," said Col. Harts. "Its solmenity and reputation would suffer if I should grant this request, and a bad precedent would be set. Therefore I cannot allow it."

Flowers grown to adorn the White House for state dinners and receptions will not go to waste even though no social functions will be given at the Executive Mansion on account of the death of Mrs. Wilson. Miss Margaret Wilson suggested that the White House flowers be used this winter in hospitals and at charitible and civic entertainments in which Mrs. Wilson was interested, and the suggestion was adopted by the President. About 10,000 blooms grace tables for each state dinner, and almost as many for each of the receptions.

WATER BONDS BOTHER DADS

City Officials Try to Work Out Plan Whereby City May Take Over Plant by First of 1915.

BID OF WATER CO. IS BEST SO FAR

Although Many Firms Bid on Bonds All Offers Are Below Par At Least Five Per Cent.

An executive session of the city officials was held Thursday morning to determine the policy to be followed in regard to the sale of the city water bonds, but the results of the meeting have not been made public and will not be until the next Council meeting, Wednesday evening.

It is known however. tha tthe Mayor and other officials are trying to rush the sale of the bonds so that the city may take over the water system the first of the year. None of the bids so far made by the bonding firms have been satisfactory but it is hardly probable that any better offers will be made with the bond market in the poor condition that it is. The best bid to date is about five per cent below par for the entire issue of $48,000.

JURY LIST FOR DECEMBER TERM IS MADE PUBLIC

The jury venire for the December term of the Circuit Court, which will open Monday, is as follows:

J. T. Harrigan, Marshfield.
E. R. Hodson, Marshfield.
H. H. Harris, Myrtle Point.
E. F. Lemeleux, Marshfield.
Philip Guthardie, Myrtle Point.
E. B. Henry, Bandon.
R. R. Rackleff, Myrtle Point.
W. H. Harmon, Lee.
George Goodman, Coquille.
James D. Clinton, Norway.
George E. Wilson, Bandon.
Aaron Crutchfield, Bandon.
J. W. Bell, Norway.
Charles Bowman, Bandon.
Alex Simpson, North Bend.
James T. Guerin, Myrtle Point.
J. G. Horn, North Bend.
E. W. Sturdivant, Riverton.
F. W. Jones, Coquille.
G. R. Benham, Coquille.
R. R. Powender, Coquille.
E. J. Myers, Arago.
H. W. Stanford, Sumner.
W. J. Rust, Marshfield.
F. A. Baker, McKinley.
Alvin Smith, Marshfield.
Wm. S. Turpen, Marshfield.
M. P. Sumerlin, Lee.
O. E. Marsters, Myrtle Point.
A. H. Smith, Dora.
E. M .Kay, Riverton.

HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY ENTERTAINS STUDENTS

An acquaintance party for the Senior, Junior and sub-Junior classes of the High School, at which the faculty were hosts, was given in the high school building Friday evening. Games and musical numbers took up the early part of the evening and were followed by delightful refreshments. The affair closed in rally style with high school songs and yells.

This was the first of a series of entertainments to be given by the faculty to the students of the High School. The Sophomore and Freshmen classes will be the guests tonight

PATHE'S DAILY NEWS FILM AT THE GRAND

This popular film depicting current events of international interest is now issued twice every week. The Grand theatre has made arrangements to book this film receiving both copies every week. One film will be shown every Tuesday and one every Friday night.

Aside from the interesting events that this weekly will show, especial attention is given to the great European War, and you can be assured that whenever it is possible to secure motion pictures of the war, Pathe's weekly will have them. Look for this special.

COOS EXHIBIT SITE SECURED

J. A. Ward, Official Exhibit Collector, Returns From Frisco With Announcement of Plan.

EXPOSITION 98 PER CENT COMPLETED

Model of Oregon Coast To Advertise Coos and Curry Counties to the Fair Visitors.

Coos county will have one of the most unique of all of the exhibits at the San Francisco exposition, according to the report of J. A. Ward, official exhibit gatherer of Coos and Curry counties for the the fair.

A salt water lagoon, along the ocean side of the Exposition grounds, is to be modeled into an exact replica of the Oregon coast from the Columbia river south to the California line, showing especially all of the harbors. In the lagoon will be specimens of the sea life which inhabits the Oregon coast and theg rounds surrounding the pond will be planted with trees and flora native of the state. The location of the Coos exhibit is one of the most prominent on the grounds and will be seen by almost every visitor at the exposition.

Mr. Ward says that the buildings are 98 per cent completed and everything will be ready long before the formal opening of the big gates, which is set for February. Despite the war, forty-two foreign nations havet heir buildings ready for occupancy and others are fast being completed. France recently started work on her big exhibit palace, but Germany will not have an official place of display, their interests being looked after by the German-American people in California.

The section allotted to the amusements is the largest ever devoted to this feature at an international exposition, being over a mile in length.

COOS BAY CITIES HOLD THEIR ANNUAL ELECTION

Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 10—North Bend and the united towns of Eastside and Cooston held their city elections on Tuesday, December 8th.

L. J. Simpson, the candiate for reelection as Mayor of North Bend, won out with a victory of very near four to one over E. J. Cofefit and C. E. Maybee was re-elected to the Recorder's office by a still larger majority. M. E. Everette, H. G. Kern and F. W. Wood were elected councilmen. There was very little interest taken in the election as there was not thought to be any serious opposition to the candidates nominated at the caucus three weeks ago, bt about noon it became known that the Socialists were turning out in force. From then on the vote was heavy until the polls closed.

In the Cooston-Eastside election, C. P. Keating was re-elected to the office of Recorder and Sylvester McGrill was continued as marshal. J. C. Steckel, of Eastside, and L. G. Meek and G. M. Bailey, both of Cooston, were elected councilmen, giving two members on the council.

HALF OF USUAL AMOUNT OF RAIN ALREADY COME

Captain O. Wilson, co-operative observer, informed The Recorder yesterday that to date we have had 24.40 inches of rainfall since August 1st. During the first ten days of December eight inches of rain has fallen a day.

The Captain stated that the average rainfall for Bandon is look 55 or 60 inches a year, consequently it will be seen that we already have half of our usal amount of rain.