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A. D. CHARLTON, A. G. P. A., Nor. Pac. Ry., Portland, Ore.

Alaska - Yukon - Pacific Exposition, 1909.

VERDICT REVERSED GEER FOR CONGR

Federal Circuit Court of This State
Erred In Instructing Jury, Hence
New Trial Is Ordered.

The supreme court has reversed the decision of the federal court of Oregon in the Williamson land fraud case. The opinion was by White, Harlan dissenting. The court remands the case for new trial, holding that Judge Huttered in instructing the jury that the contract to sell claims before final proofs was illegal. The defense had alleged that the law in that respect refers only to the entry before it is made, not to one in process of being carried to perfection.

The decision is regarded as a body blow to the government in all the land fraud prosecutions, and is taken as a backing up of Judge Lewis of Colorado, who dismissed the coal land indictments.

In the light of the supreme court's decision, Congressman Williamson's acquittal, when his case comes on again for retrial, seems almost certain.

The conviction and punishment of Dr. Van Geener and Marion R. Biggs, who were co-defendants with Williamson, seems, in the light of the decision, to have been unwarranted.

Dr. Geener was but recently released from the county jail of Multnomah county, after undergoing a sentence of five months' imprisonment and paying a fine of \$1,000. Marion R. Biggs is still in the same jail, under sentence of 10 months' imprisonment and \$500 fine.

Normal Attendance Increased.
The Normal opened again Monday morning with an increase in attendance after a vacation of two weeks for the holidays. The attendance is considerably increased over the first semester, and it is said that the total attendance is now about 250.

On Savings

We Pay

4%

On the Quarterly Balance or

3%

On the Monthly Balance

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the City.

THE ST. NICHOLS

is the only one that can accommodate
commercial travelers.

Can be recommended for its clean and
well ventilated rooms.

COR. MAIN AND THIRD, ATHENA, OR.

Pendleton Tribune Editor M
Candidacy Known Throu
the Portland Oregonian.

Ex-Governor Geer has given Oregonian the announcement of his candidacy for the Republican Congressional nomination. In part he said: "It is true that I have decided to come a candidate for Congress in the second district and have done so, I presume for precisely the same reason that has actuated others who will aspire to different positions in the public service. In other words, I shall be a candidate because I wish to go to Congress and have received sufficient encouragement, not to say urging, from different parts of the district to believe I can be successful."

If elected, I shall support the distinctive principles of the republican party, working more particularly for the carrying out of the measures which in the main marked Mr. Roosevelt's administration, believing, with him, that we should build up a code of laws that will more nearly guarantee an equality of privileges and opportunity between capital and labor, while preserving the rights of both and preventing discrimination which will result in undue advantage.

In general terms, however, I have an ambition to go to Congress because I feel that by reason of my long residence in Oregon, my perfect familiarity with the conditions prevailing in every section of it, together with my extensive acquaintance with all its people and my experience in public affairs that I can devote several years of my life to the work of advancing their interests in a field that gives a wider opportunity than that in which I am now employed.

Along questions of national policy I am strongly in favor of the adoption of a permanent and liberal system of improvements of our river and harbors, and this is one of the foremost matters of interest especially to the people of the second district, including as it does, so much of the great Inland Empire in Eastern Oregon, and extending to Portland and Astoria with their great and growing commercial interests, and the Columbia river which is the second in importance in the United States.

SIX MILL COUNTY TAX LEVY

Will Raise the Sum of \$252,333.32 for
County and State Purposes.

By action of the county court the county tax levy for the year was placed at six mills and the levy will provide the sum of \$252,333.32 for the purpose of defraying county expenses and paying its portion of the state tax. The levy, says the East Oregonian, is made upon an assessment of \$42,055,866.48. This is on the full valuation basis instead of the one-fourth as used in the past. On the old basis the present levy would be 24 mills or two mills higher than the levy of a year ago.

In the order for the levy issued by the court the itemized needs for the coming year are set forth as follows:

State taxes	\$56,350.00
General county expenses	55,000.00
School taxes at 47 per capita	44,158.63
Roads and bridges	74,298.69
School library	700.00
Interest on warrants	6,500.00
Outstanding warrants	15,326.00

Total \$252,333.32

According to the members of the court the state tax is higher this year than last and this, together with the heavy expense for road and bridge work causes the increased levy. At present there are warrants outstanding on the road fund and the amount estimated for that fund for the coming year will meet expenses and redeem the old warrants.

The levy is segregated as follows: State and county, three and one sixth mills; roads and bridges, one and twenty-three thirtyths mills; school library, one-sixtieth mill.

Bankers Furnish Bonds.

All four of the Portland bankers who were indicted on four counts in connection with the failure of the Title Guarantee and Trust company furnished bond for their appearance in court. J. Thorburn Ross, president, and T. I. Burkhart, treasurer, gave bonds for \$5,000 on each count, and Vice President Hill and Secretary John E. Aitchison furnished bonds in \$2,000 each on four counts.

Hide Prices Dropped.

After the highest prices ever paid for hides in eastern Oregon, in the past eight weeks, prices have now dropped to the lowest price known. Only a few weeks ago dry hides were quoted in this city at 18 cents per pound. Now dry hides are worth but 9 cents and green hides but 4 cents.

Pine-salve Carbolicized acts like a poultice, draws out inflammation and poisons. Antiseptic healing. For chapped hands, lips, cuts, burns. Sold by Pioneer Drug Store.

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of the reclamation act for farm
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water right is \$60 per acre an
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Secretary Garfield has
following public notice:

The limit of area, per
senting acreage, which,
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be reasonably required fo
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provisions of the reclamation
the amounts shown upon the plat for
several farm units, from 10 to 40 acres.
The limit for which water-right applica
tions may be made for land in
private ownership shall be 160 acres of
irrigable land for each landowner.

Charge which shall be made per acre
of irrigable land in said entries and
for land in private ownership shall be
160 acres of irrigable land for each
landowner.

Charge which shall be made per
acre of irrigable land in said entries
and of land in private ownership
which can be irrigated by waters
from said irrigation project are in two
parts, as follows:

1. Building of irrigation system,
\$60 per acre of irrigable land, payable
in no less than five nor more than ten
annual installments, each not less than
\$6 per acre.

2. For operation and maintenance
which will, as soon as the data are
available, be fixed in proportion to
amount of water used, with minimum
charge per irrigable acre whether water
is used or not. Operation and
maintenance charges for irrigation
season of 1908 and until further notice
will be \$1 per acre of irrigable land,
whether water is used thereon or not.

First payment on account of such
charges for all irrigable acres, whether
or not water right application is made
therefor or water is used thereon, shall
be due and payable at the local land
office at La Grande, on or before
March 1, 1908, total payment being
not less than \$7 per acre.

Building charge for subsequent years
shall be due and payable at the same
place on or before March 1 of each
year, and until further notice opera
tion and maintenance charge of \$1 per
acre of irrigable land per annum shall
be due and payable at the same time
and place.

For all applications for water rights
filed before June 15, in any year build
ing, operation and maintenance charges
shall be collected at the time of fil
ing for that irrigating season, but so
much as may be paid on account of
operation and maintenance shall be a
credit on account of installment for
next year. Charges herein provided
for may, for convenience of applicants,
be paid to the special fiscal agent of
the reclamation service at Hermiston
for transmission to the receiver of the
land office at La Grande, on or before
the dates specified herein for payment
at the local land office.

INSTALLATION AND BANQUET

Impressive Ceremonies Witnessed By
Large Assemblage of People.

Saturday night members of Wild
Horse Lodge No. 73 I. O. O. F. royally
entertained their families and a
large number of invited guests.

The event was the annual installa
tion of officers and was crowned with
one of the most enjoyable social gath
erings of the season.

An exceptionally entertaining pro
gram was rendered prior to the instal
lation exercises, which was followed
by a banquet, at which 175 plates
were laid. Attorney S. E. Wilson del
ivered the principal address of the
evening and his discourse was replete
with historical facts pertaining to Odd
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CHARLOTTE

Passed Away at
Daughter, A

Mrs. Charlotte Koebke,
home of her daughter,
Koepke, Wednesday ev
o'clock, aged 71 years. De
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the deceased being unable
the ravages of the epidemic
prevailing in this vicinity.

The funeral will be held
Koepke residence tomorrow
o'clock p. m. The services w
conducted by Rev. Blakney, the
known Presbyterian minister, of
dleton. The remains will be taken
Columbus, Ohio, for burial, by M
and Mrs. Koepke.

Mrs. Koebke was born in German
January 3, 1837. After coming t
America she made her home in C
lumbus, Ohio. She was twice married,
her first husband's name was Schult.
She leaves one son and two daughters.
The son is Rev. Schultz of California
and the daughters are Mrs. Koepke of
this city, and Mrs. Haden of Helix.
She was a loving mother, a kind
Christian woman and her loss will be
felt by all who knew her.

Geer Leaves Tribune.

With the Tuesday issue of The Tri
bune T. T. Geer retired from the ac
tive editorial management and was
succeeded by W. F. Guion, who has
been acting as business manager and
who will assume full control as editor
and publisher. Mr. Geer retired from
active duty in order to place his per
sonal affairs and business interests in
such shape as to permit of his con
ducting his campaign for congressman
from the Second district, to which he
will later devote his entire time.

Plum Goes to Schubel.

Christian Schubel of Oregon City,
has been nominated by the president to
be United States district attorney of
Oregon vice W. C. Bristol, whose
nomination was withdrawn by the
president some time ago. Schubel is
Senator Bourne's candidate and his
appointment is considered a victory
for Bourne over the other members of
the delegation who had practically
agreed upon Bingham of Salem.

Minister Hit By Cupid.

Mrs. Pauline Hurt of Umatilla, Ore
gon, and the Rev. John W. McGee of
Walla Walla, were united in marriage
at the latter place Monday. The bride
is 57 years of age, and is well known
in Umatilla county, while the groom
has passed the four-score year mark
by seven years. He is a pioneer of
this section, having crossed the plains
in a prairie schooner in 1859.

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