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THE ROSS CONVICTION.

J. Thorburn Ross is convicted of the criminal charge of converting State school money to his own use. In the broader sense this man who, for a number of years, has been more or less of a commanding personality in the financial, religious and social life of this city, is punished for criminally dishonest banking. For a man of the Ross standing and character, punishment lies in conviction, whatever may follow. With the people of the State of Oregon there is a sense of satisfaction that the truth is established; that the seal of the law's disapproval has been indelibly fixed under circumstances where immunity is more frequent than punishment. In any correct estimate of the moral value of this conviction, there can be no personal animosity against J. Thorburn Ross. This unfortunate culprit merely stands out as a type of men whose professions of morality are made to serve the god of greed. In the conviction at Salem we have assurance that this disguise has lost its efficacy; that crime, however gilded, is to be recognized as crime; that the criminal, whatever his station or previously reputed character, is not to escape the proper identification that lies in conviction and punishment. There is no victory for the state in the downfall of Ross any more than there in the downfall of any other citizen. So far as this feature is concerned, there is occasion for nothing else than regret. But there is victory when the class of men whom Ross represents are shown by the administered sanction of the law the dangers and penalties they must encounter; the disgrace that they cannot avoid by this later awaking of the public conscience. The fact of value, so far as society is concerned, is that the ending at Salem is so different from what it used to be. We are under a new dispensation wherein transgression cannot cover its ugliness with fine raiment, nor conceal its identity by professions of sanctimony. It is the insistence of the time that transgression must be submitted to the alchemic test of truth; and truth means condemnation that is open, humiliating, and thereby corrective.—Telegram.

HERO WORSHIP AND ITS RESULTS

The people of this country are given to hero worship, and they are not discouraged by the fact that a close examination of their heroes usually reveals a lot of scarecrows, says a valued exchange. When one ideal man turns out to be a cheap grade of graven image, they immediately dig up another, and exalt him, and burn incense before him, and give him a halo, and denounce all who do not bow down before him.

It is not surprising that the man thus exalted usually proves a disappointment, sooner or later—generally sooner, for his worshippers place his reputation so high, and attribute to him such suphuman qualities that he would need to be something more than mortal to live up to the plans and specifications. He may try, sincerely and strenuously, to deserve his halo, but the impossibility of the task is bound to discourage him, and when he lets go one hold he lets go all holds, and comes down kerflop, with the customary dull, sickening thud.

A few years ago Attorney

Jerome was being exploited as the American St. George who was destined to slay the dragon of municipal corruption and make New York a holy city. He was written and illustrated in the magazines until his name became a wearisome to those who had been cured of hero worship; he was a compendium of all the virtues; a Bayard of courage, a Napoleon of strategy, a Caesar of determination, a Demosthenes of eloquence; he was the knight without fear and without reproach; and at the end he stands before the disgusted hero worshippers as a sorry Don Quixote.

There was too much adulation for a man of ordinary force. And all the time that he was being lionized and adored it was known that he was a cigarette fiend, which fact alone was sufficient evidence that he would never make good. Whether the charges of dishonesty will hold good against him or not there is no doubt that the charges of negligence and incompetence will be sustained. It is another case of putting a hundred dollar saddle on a twenty dollar horse.

He is a pitiable failure, but he is not alone to blame; the idolaters who furnished him with an impossible reputation and then expected him to live up to it have their responsibility.

CANNERIES THAT PAY.

The Southern Pacific Company has displayed a commendable interest in the institution of canneries, but while the company desires such growth along this line, it is solicitous in having each plant successfully operated, for one failure now would be injurious to the industry in general. It should be the object of all canning companies to not only have modern plants, but to engage in the business upon business principles. They should first make certain that they have sufficient capital to purchase supplies through not only one but probably two seasons, so as not to place too much confidence in being able to market their products at once. The market is fickle and this should always be taken into consideration. The Brownsville cannery is a success, yet it has not yet succeeded in disposing of most of last season's output. This is an asset not yet converted into cash and is a warning to all new companies to make sure of a large capital before beginning operations. Where companies have only sufficient to erect buildings and install plants, they should, in preference to using their credit and borrowing money, make an effort to lease their canneries for a team of years to responsible companies who have ample capital to operate them and ready communication with a market. Another feature toward the successful operation of a cannery is to make certain that there is sufficient acreage planted for what is necessary to keep the plant in full running order. There are several matters to be considered before and after the building of a plant. It requires experience, and in time those interested in the enterprise learn that obtaining the money for construction and purchase of machinery is the easiest part of the undertaking. But with the obstacles above named surmounted, a cannery should have a prosperous issue.—Woodburn Independent.

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, February 12, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Mrs. Annie K. Moore, of Gold Hill, county of Jackson, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement, No. 8768, for the purchase of the SW 1/4, SE 1/4, Section 1, and N 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, of Section No. 28, in Township No. 33 South, Range No. 2 East, W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before A. S. Bliton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, in Medford, Oregon, on

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, April 24, 1908. Notice is hereby given that John Grieve, of Prospect, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 12714, made May 5, 1893, for the SW 1/4, Sec. 2, Twp. 33 N., R. 2 E., S. 10 W., Township 33 North, Range 2 East, W. M., and that said proof will be made before A. S. Bliton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, in Medford, Oregon, on

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, April 8, 1908. Notice is hereby given that John Bergman, of Eagle Point, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 10242, made July 17, 1901, for the Lot 1, sec. 22, and W 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 33, Township 34 South, Range 1 West, and that said proof will be made before A. S. Bliton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, in Medford, Oregon, on

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 13, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Mrs. Annie K. Moore, of Woodburn, county of Marion, State of Oregon, did on February 11, 1907, file in this office her sworn statement, No. 8847, for the purchase of the W 1/2 of sec. No. 12, in Twp. No. 33, South of Range No. 1 East, W. M., Ore., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before A. S. Bliton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Roseburg, Oregon, on

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 19, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Mrs. Annie K. Moore, of Woodburn, county of Marion, State of Oregon, did on June 1, 1907, file in this office her sworn statement, No. 8847, for the purchase of the N 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, of Section No. 4, in Township No. 34 South, Range No. 1 East, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before A. S. Bliton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, in Medford, Oregon, on

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon. In the matter of the estate of Frances A. Swinmale, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Frances A. Swinmale, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, verified, to the undersigned, at Central Point, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

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