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GUILTY AS CHARGED.

Verdict in the Williamson, Gesner and
Biggs Land Case.

Portland, Sept. 29.—"Guilty as
charged in the indictment." After
three trials, extending over three
months, John Newton Williamson,
Representative in congress from Oregon;
Dr. Van Gesner, his partner, and
Marion R. Biggs, their friend and the
United States commissioner for the
general land office at Prineville, have
been declared to be guilty of the crime
of conspiracy to suborn perjury, and
have been thrown upon the leniency
of the court, by reason of their previous
good character.

The long and tiresome third trial
of the case has passed into history, but
unlike the first and second, it has been
productive of a decisive result. Once
more the cause of the government and
the indefatigable energy of United
States District Attorney Heney have
been triumphant, and conviction has
come from the hands of a jury selected
and sworn to try the guilt or innocence
of the defendants upon the law and the
evidence.

But it was not a question easily
decided or quick of settlement, for the
jury wrestled with the decision from
5:20 in the afternoon until 11 at night,
and it was eight minutes later before
the sealed envelope containing the fate
of the three men was handed to Judge
Hunt for his personal. For many bal-
lots the jury stood 11 for conviction
and 1 for acquittal.

As soon as the verdict had been read
Judge Hunt arose and thanked the jury
for their patient attention and uncom-
plaining service throughout the trial.
He then dismissed them.

Turning then to the defendants and
their attorney, Judge Hunt asked if
there were any motions to be made.
Then the court adjourned, the jury
without speaking the defendants filed
silently from the room and into the
night. They had no statements to
make, they said. It was not their
time to talk.

FIRE SCORCHES COLON.

Two Blocks Are Cleared and Govern-
ment Records Destroyed.

Colon, Sept. 29.—By sheer good luck
the city of Colon was saved from com-
plete destruction by fire last night.
The fire broke out in a building next
to the residence of the Spanish consul,
and soon destroyed the Phoenix hotel,
an American-owned building, and two
other hotels, several liquor saloons and
several tenement buildings. Rowe's
building, containing the postoffice, the
office of the municipality, of Governor
Melendez, the port inspectors, the ju-
diciary and other offices, together with
the treasury building, were also burned.
A fire brigade from Panama arrived
with engines and equipment at 1 o'clock,
but by that time the fire was under
control.

Nearly all the records and documents
of the government were destroyed. The
burned region comprises two blocks.
The American residential quarter was
not touched.
The sanitary authorities are erecting
tents in the fire zone to shelter the
homeless.
During the fire many harrowing
scenes were witnessed. Among these
was the removal of the body of a 15-
year old child. The child had died a
few minutes before the fire started.

Demand Reforms of Judiciary.

Moscow, Sept. 29.—The congress of
the Zemstvo and municipalities at its
session yesterday, in addition to the
program already celebrated, adopted a
separate resolution on the subject of
judiciary. It declares itself in favor
of the complete separation of the
department of Justice from the other
branches of the administration, the re-
institution of the system prevailing prior
to the election of judges, the trial of every
case before a jury, the abolition of the
capital penalty and punishment by ad-
ministrative process.

Will Refund More Bonds.

Washington, Sept. 29.—The secretary
of the treasury made the announcement
today that on October 2 next he will
resume refunding operations under the
act of March 14, 1900, receiving 4 per
cent bonds of the funded loan of 1907
and 3 per cent bonds of the loan of
1908-1918 at a valuation equal to their
present worth and issuing in place
thereof 2 per cent bonds, callable in
1930, at 101, subject to discontinuance
at any time without notice.

Cannot Suppress Boycott.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 29.—Chinese
merchants in Seattle state that they
have mail advices from Canton which
declare the victory of that province has
acknowledged his inability to put down
the boycott. The victory insists that
the merchants and people will lay as
they see fit. He adds, though, that
the sentiment is being resisted, and
that some gains have been made by the
government's efforts to suppress the
boycott.

LAND FRAUD CASES

Heney Working Hard to Secure
More Convictions.

LAWYERS WANT CASE DISMISSED

Should Indictment Be Found Faulty
Defendants Will Go Free on
Statute of Limitations.

Portland, Oct. 3.—Willard N. Jones,
Thaddeus S. Potter and Ira Wade will
face the Federal court this morning
charged with a conspiracy to defraud
the government, provided Judge Hunt
concur in the demurrer to the indict-
ment, which was argued yesterday by
S. H. Huston and M. L. Pipes for the
defense and District Attorney Heney
for the government.

Several notices have been made by
the defense to prevent the case coming
to trial, but so far they have been un-
successful, though their efforts have
hindered the consideration. The first
objection against the defendants was
admitted to be defective by the district
attorney and was dismissed, while the
present indictment was returned just
as the statute of limitations was about
to run. A plea in abatement was filed
by the attorneys as the second step, but
this was overruled by the court, upon
which the demurrer was presented.

Yesterday morning it was submitted
upon a statement of contention by the
different attorneys interested in the
case.

The court listened to the argument
on both sides and then took the matter
of its decision under advisement until
this morning, when it will make known
its opinion. If Judge Hunt should de-
cide for the defense, the defendants
would be enabled to escape prosecution
entirely, as the statute of limitations
has by this time run and no in-
dictment could be drawn or voted to
replace the present one.

STEALING IS EASY.

New York Bank Clerk Takes Money
to Prove It.

New York, Oct. 3.—By the confes-
sion of Henry A. Leonard, a young
clerk in the employ of Halle & Stieglitz,
brokers at 30 Broad street, the
notorious case of the \$359,000 worth of securities
from the National City bank was cleared
up today. Leonard, who lives with his
parents at 566 East 136th street,
was arrested yesterday and kept in
close confinement while the detectives
continued their search for the missing
securities, every dollar of which was
recovered today.

The prisoner, who is only 24 years
old and who has previously borne the
reputation of an industrious and
thoroughly reliable clerk, made the as-
tonishing statement in his confession,
that he had planned and carried out
his scheme of forgery not from a criminal
motivation, but solely to show by
what a simple device the elaborate safe-
guards of New York banks could be set
at naught. That this statement is in
measure correct is shown by the facts
in the case.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Great Northern Express Car Dynam-
ited and Safe Looted.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 3.—The Great
Northern overland train, leaving Seattle
at 8:20 last night, was held up, and
the baggage and express car dynamited
half a mile east of mile post ten, about
at midnight. That this statement is in
measure correct is shown by the facts
in the case.

Three men are known to have done
the work. Two boys, who got on the
blind baggage here, as soon as the hold-
up began entered the passenger coaches
and began holding up the passengers.
They were captured. They say that
the men were on the blind baggage
when they got on and the third got on
at Ballard. All were dressed with
raincoats and slouch hats.

Agitating for a Republic.

London, Oct. 3.—The Christiania
correspondent of the London Post says
the agitation against the terms of the
Karlsund agreement continues to grow.
Critics declare the terms have placed
the government in a humiliating position,
but the delegates shrunk from
rejecting them or taking the conse-
quences. The object of those who are
behind the agitation is to weaken the
government in order to prepare the
way for a demand which is being ad-
vanced for the establishment of a re-
public.

Blame for Wreck Fixed.

New York, Oct. 3.—Responsibility
for the accident on the New York El-
evated railroad recently, in which 12
persons lost their lives, was fixed today
by a coroner's jury upon two men.
Cornelius A. Jackson, the towerman
who set the wrong switch, and Kelley,
the motorman, who drove his train
around the curve with a speed which
caused one car to jump the track into
the street, were both charged with
criminal negligence.

Fire Destroys Army Stores.

Tokio, Oct. 3.—It is officially re-
ported that the damage caused by the
fire in the army storehouse at Hiro-
shima amounted to 1,849,107 yen,
equivalent to about \$254,533, including
the buildings, provisions and clothes
which were destroyed.

SANDS ARE RICH IN ORE.

Black Deposits Near Mouth of Co-
lumbia Give Results.

Portland, Oct. 3.—Dr. David T. Day,
chief of the division of mining and
mineral resources of the United States
Geological survey, announces that his
experiments with black sands at the
Lewis and Clark exposition have been
eminently successful. Dr. Day says the
black sand found in the vicinity of the
mouth of the Columbia river is of suf-
ficient value to warrant its being con-
centrated, as it contains valuable miner-
als that will average not less than 47 per
cent. The experiments carried on in
the concentrating pavilion at the ex-
position proved that a ton of the black
sands taken from the Columbia river
will average \$5 in magnetite, or iron,
and \$2 in other minerals. He says the
exact value of the gold and platinum
has not been determined as yet, but
that the iron alone makes it valuable
enough to pay the cost of transportation
and then leave a splendid profit.
Dr. Day has been experimenting
with these black sands for some time.
He says the extent of the sand beds is
practically unlimited and that in some
places they have been found to be 70
feet in depth. Samples have been
taken from the surface sands and from
the bottom of the beds, and the rich-
ness of the sands is shown up when the
sand is concentrated. He says the
deeper the sand is obtained the richer
it is in minerals.

DRIVEN BY CLUBS.

Martinez Workmen for Canal Com-
pelled to Land at Colon.

Colon, Oct. 3.—Six hundred and
fifty laborers from Martinez, brought
here Friday on the French steamer Ver-
sailles, under contract to work on the
canal, refused to disembark at Colon,
submit to vaccination, which is imperative
under the American sanitary regulations.
They claimed to be taken back to
Martinez, asserting that they had
been misled as to the conditions there
before they embarked, and that
later they learned these conditions were
intolerable and deadly.

Yesterday morning, however, 500 of
them were actually persuaded to
land, and these were permitted to
along the line of the canal. One hun-
dred and fifty remained on board and
declined to leave the ship under any
consideration. These were forcibly
ejected from the vessel this afternoon
by Panama and Canal zone policemen,
but not until nearly every one of them
had been clubbed and several were
bleeding from their wounds.

All yesterday and last night the Ver-
sailles was guarded by Panama police-
men. Early this morning the French
consul at Colon, M. Bonhenry, ap-
pealed to the men to listen to reason,
explaining that they had left Marti-
nez under contract with the Canal
zone emigration agent, guaranteeing
the payment of their passage here, and
that while working on the canal they
would have, in addition to their wages,
the guarantee of free quarters and free
medical attendance.

ARMY STORES BURN.

Temporary Buildings Contained Mil-
lions of Dollars' Worth of Goods.

Tokio, Oct. 3.—A fire which broke
out in an army storehouse at Hiro-
shima at 1 o'clock and continued for
over three hours, destroyed 20 tempo-
rary buildings, together with their con-
tents, consisting principally of provisions
and clothing. The cause of the fire
is being investigated.

A large portion of the clothing had
been removed from a new warehouse
before the fire. The extent of the dam-
age is believed to be comparatively
slight. There was no loss of life.

A later telegram from Hiroshima
said that the fire was still burning at
1 o'clock this afternoon. In addition
to the 20 buildings, several others filled
with fodder were destroyed. Although
the buildings were constructed of light
material, they contained an enormous
amount of stored goods, and the struc-
tures being of inflammable nature, the
flames were difficult to extinguish, de-
spite the desperate efforts of the troops.
The fire was discovered at 1 o'clock,
and spread with great rapidity. It
was probably of incendiary origin. The
loss is variously estimated at from \$2-
000,000 to \$5,000,000.

Older Than Aztec Monarchy.

Mexico City, Oct. 3.—Explorations
made at an old Toltec pyramid on the
Maguayitas hacienda, in the state of
Puebla, have disclosed the fact that the
structure was built of clay bricks, which
prove it to be far older than the Aztec
monarchy, and possibly older even than
the Toltec occupation of the country.
Several elaborately carved figures were
found representing men in Chinese
dress and with marked Chinese features.
Antiquarians are much puzzled, for
the evidence points to Chinese settle-
ment in Mexico in the past ages.

Blown Up by Mine.

Chefoo, Oct. 3.—The coasting steam-
er Hsienho, plying between Shanghai
and Tientsin, struck and was totally
destroyed by a mine 90 miles south of
the Shanghai promontory Saturday
morning. Fifteen persons on board the
vessel were drowned, included among
them being Engineers Mauchan and
Muir. The foreign passengers and a
portion of the crew of the Hsienho were
rescued by two passing steamers. Sev-
enty-one were taken to Shanghai.

Big Order for Rails.

Montreal, Oct. 3.—It is officially an-
nounced that the Grand Trunk Pacific
has given an order for \$4,000,000 worth
of steel rails to the Dominion Iron &
Steel company, of Sidney, B. C. The
contract calls for the delivery of the
rails within five years.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

LET FOR TWO YEARS.

Oregon's Convict Labor Goes to the
Stove Foundry People.

Salem.—An agreement has been
reached between Governor Chamberlain
and the Loewenberg Foundry company for
the leasing of convict labor at the peni-
tentiary for a period of two years. The
price to be paid for labor is the same
that has prevailed in the past, but sev-
eral changes have been made in the
contract in other particulars.

Because there is a popular desire
that convicts be employed on the pub-
lic roads, in which desire Governor
Chamberlain joins, and because the
last legislature authorized the appoint-
ment of a commission to investigate
the subject and report to the next legis-
lature, the governor refused to make a
contract now for the leasing of convict
labor for more than two years. In-
stance upon the shorter period made
it impossible to secure a higher price
than has been paid in the past—3 1/2
cents per hour for each man.

The new contract requires the stove
foundry proprietors to employ not less
than 150 men a year, whereas the min-
imum number heretofore has been 100.
There are now 390 prisoners in the
penitentiary. About 100 of these are
employed on the farm, in the stables,
in the kitchen, and on other work con-
nected with the management of the in-
stitution. This leaves 290 to be other-
wise employed. The foundry will now
take not less than 150, leaving 140 out
of employment. At many times the
foundry will employ more than 150,
but this number must be paid for, even
though not worked.

What to do with the 140 idle men is
now the problem. A few of them can
be employed on the public roads near
Salem under a co-operative arrange-
ment with the county court, and a
gang will be put at work grubbing out
a piece of state land on the Reform
school farm. This will still leave
some idle, probably, at many times of
the year.

Wasco to Cultivate Hops.

The Dalles—Wasco county will, it is
expected, in a few years become the
banner hop producing county of the
state. This season a number of farm-
ers have been experimenting in hop
culture with satisfactory results. The
hops they have produced are of an ex-
cellent quality and the yield is very
large. So successful has been the ex-
periment that a number of farmers are
now contemplating putting out large
yards next season and engaging in the
business of hop raising on an extensive
scale. There are thousands of acres in
the county suitable for hop fields, as
the hops thrive without irrigation and
will do well on almost any of the up-
land that is sheltered from wind.

Quality is Perfect.

Salem—While it is yet too early to
make accurate statements of the yield
of hops in Marion county this year, es-
timates by men in the best position to
judge are that the total yield will be in
the neighborhood of 37,000 bales. The
quality will be perfect. In about a
week, when the work of baling is far-
ther advanced, a fairly accurate state-
ment of the actual yield can be made,
and the samples will show the quality.
Growers are showing little disposition
to sell at present prices, but it is be-
lieved that 15 cents a pound would cause
rapid selling.

Lane County Estimate More.

Eugene—The best estimate that can
be made at the present time of the
amount of the hop crop of this county
is not considered much more than a
guess, although it is based upon reports
from a large number of growers. Even
among those who are best posted there
is a large variation in estimates. There
will be at least 1,500 bales more than
last year, which would make 7,500
bales, but some estimate as high as 8,
000. No better figures will be avail-
able until a poll is made after the baling
is completed.

Yield and Quality Better.

Oregon City—The curing and baling
of the hop crop in this county has
nearly progressed sufficiently to war-
rant an accurate estimate as to the
yield. In the aggregate, however, the
yield by reason of the increased acre-
age, will exceed that of last year, the
quality will be materially better.
With the exception of a few yards,
the product will surpass in quantity
that of last year, while the quality will
be far better than that of 1904.

First Snow Falls in Bourne.

Somerset—The mountaineers report
the first snow of the season. In the
highlands surrounding Bourne night
falls have occurred in the early morn-
ing. The ground has been covered,
but the snow has always disappeared
before noon. Old citizens, who take
pride in the weather knowledge, say
that the very warm and dry summer
that has just died will be followed by
an unusually severe winter.

Douglas Crop Increased.

Roseburg—This year's hop crop in
Douglas county will approximate 800
bales. The quality is good. No sales
are reported, as growers expect prices
to rise somewhat.

Benton County's Yield.

Corvallis—The estimated yield of
hops in this vicinity is 1,410 bales.

FORFEIT TO STATE.

About \$10,000 Paid on School Land
Lost to Buyer.

Salem—Certificates of sale for a total
of 20,000 acres of state school land
have been cancelled in the last few
weeks, because of lapse in the payment
of installments within the required
time. Of this aggregate amount of
land, 7,000 acres is in the limits of
the proposed Blue mountain forest re-
serve, and, according to the rulings of
the Interior department, the state will
be able to use the land as base for the
selection of lien land.

The original purchasers of the land
have forfeited the payments made,
amounting probably to \$10,000 or
more, and the state has the land to
sell again. Much of the land outside
the reserve will probably not be salable
for some time, as the state has raised
the price to \$2.50 an acre. The 7,000
acres inside the reserve should find a
market as base for lien land, at \$5 an
acre.

A large proportion of the certificates
that have been canceled were among
those secured by violation of the law
governing the purchase of state school
land. Prosecution of land fraud cases
has scared many of the holders of cer-
tificates fraudulently obtained, and
they have thought best quietly to drop
the whole transaction, forfeit what
they have paid and let the state keep
the land.

Adopt Early Closing.

Eugene—Forty-seven business men
of Eugene who have closed their shops
and stores at no regular hour in the
evening have signed an agreement to
close hereafter each evening except
Saturday at 6 o'clock. The list in-
cludes hardware stores, gun stores,
grocery stores and places in other lines
of business, many of which have never
closed before 9 o'clock. The dry goods
stores have heretofore closed at 6 and
most of the grocery stores at 7, but now
there will be a uniform hour for clos-
ing.

Getting Ready for Primaries.

Salem—Secretary of State Dunbar has
begun to make preparations for the gen-
eral primary elections to be held in this
state in April 29. The petitions of all
candidates for state and district offices
must be filed with the secretary of
state by April 1, in order to have a
place on the official ballot. It will re-
quire at least 60 days for each candi-
date or his friends to secure the neces-
sary names and prepare the petitions
required by law.

Many Students Enrolled.

Corvallis—The attendance in the
Oregon Agricultural college promises to
cross the 700 mark early in the year,
and many believe it will reach 800.
Hop fields, fruit harvest and the Lewis
and Clark fair have laid claim on
many, so that the enrollment has been
delayed. During the opening week 527
reported for duty, and the registration
is steadily progressing.

Making Beet Sugar.

La Grande—With 125 men at work
in the beet sugar factory and fully 400
more at work in the fields, the yield in
sugar this season is expected to be
about 25,000 tons. Next year it is ex-
pected to far exceed this amount. The
work of converting the beets into sugar
has started.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Oats—No. 1 white feed, \$23.50@24;
gray, \$23.50@24 per ton.
Wheat—Club, 71@72c; per bushel;
bluestem, 74@75c; valley, 71c.
Barley—Feed, \$19@20 per ton;
brewing, \$19@20;