

CROSS FIRE HITS GRAIN INSPECTOR

FARMERS AND FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTORS ATTACK J. W. CHURCH'S METHODS

Church is Said to Have Admitted Working For Exporters at the Time of Grading

Out of the fight over the proposal of the grain inspection division of the department of agriculture to revoke the license of R. C. Snyder, deputy state grain inspector of Washington at Seattle, for alleged violation of the federal grain inspection law, has leaked the news that a similar charge has been preferred in this state against Chief Grain Inspector J. W. Church, and that although there has been a determined move to keep the matter from the public, it is likely that a new grain inspector at Portland will be named.

Inspector Church is believed by farmers of this section to be a grain dealer's man and not impartial on the question of grain grading. Two-thirds of the grain shipped from this territory has been docked about 3 cents per bushel for smut and smutting charges and the concrete case upon which it is proposed to revoke his license, is that while docking the farmers for smut, he allowed an entire shipload on the Great City to clear from Portland with the same wheat, uncleaned, as smutless grain.

Throughout the year, which is the first in which the exporters have been compelled to ship under federal grades as well as buying under these grades, profits of the exporter have been cut to legitimate returns according to local farmers. Formerly the exporters bought under the federal grade from the farmers and then shipped on the Portland type sample, a lower grade, thus making big money.

While the federal grain inspectors are primarily concerned with the enforcement of the federal grades on

export, by the state inspectors operating under the public service commission by federal license, local farmers are more concerned with the dockage on the grain here. It is the contention of the farmers that if the grain can be shipped without a smutting process, they should not be docked for this work when it is not done. An investigation of the actual smutting operations of the exporters attempted last summer by departments of Oregon and Washington was stopped, it is reported, when it was found that every time a man was sent by Inspector Church to check on the smutting houses, Church rang a bell warning the operators who immediately doubled their crew and handled less wheat to run up the estimate of operating costs. Local farmers' content that the smutting charge is too high on some grades of wheat. The investigation is now in the hands of the federal grain department.

The hearing conducted by a representative of the United States attorney general, in Portland early this month, has been held from the public but sufficient information has been secured, so that farmers of this section, through the farm bureau, plan the removal of Church as inspector no matter what the government decision is.

Church testified at the hearing, it is reported, that while he was grading the grain which was given a clean bill on the Great City in opposition to federal grades, that he was acting in the capacity of a sort of helper for the Gray Rosenbaum company and not in the capacity of inspector, despite the fact that he is paid a big full time salary by the state.

It was intimated at the hearing on more than one occasion that material coming into the inspection department was graded more rigidly than was the same material being graded out for export for the exporting firms.

From the exposure of questionable methods employed by some exporting firms to influence the judgment of grain inspectors, it is likely to come more definite rulings from the public service commission of Oregon, the department of agriculture of the state of Washington, and from the federal grain inspection division on future procedure, and the discharge of Church as well as any deputy inspector who is connected with any export firm, farmer or group of farmers in a way detrimental to the impartiality of the state inspection department.—Pendleton Tribune.

NOTICE OF CONTEST

Serial No. 016780
017329
Department of the Interior
United States Land Office
Contest No. 1412
La Grande, Oregon,
December 22, 1922

To Harry McKaey of Ritter, Oregon,
Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Harold J. Cox, who gives Heppner, Oregon, as his post-office address, did on Dec. 18, 1922, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead Entry No. Serial No. 016780 made Dec. 2, 1916, for Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, Sec. 7, Tp. 7 S., R. 29 E. and S. 1-2 NE ¼, E. 1-2 NW ¼ Sec. 12, Tp. 7 S., R. 28 E., W. M. and Add'n. H. E., No. 017329, made Mar. 20, 1920, for Lots 3 and 4, W 1-2 SW ¼ SE ¼ SW ¼ Sec. 1, Tp. 7 S., R. 28 E., and Lots 20 and 21, Sec. 6, Township 7 S., Range 29 E., Willamette, Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Harry McKaey has failed to make the improvements thereon required by laws of the United States; that he has abandoned said land and has not been on the same for three years; that his true name is not Harry McKaey but is Harry H. Henderson; that his absence from the land was not due to any military service.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

CARL G. HELM, Register.
J. H. PEARE, Receiver.
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CUT HIGHWAY ACROSS JUNGLE

First Road to the North Coast Runs Through Santo Domingo Republic.

OPENS UP RICH TERRITORY

Cuts Off From Ten to Twelve Days of Long and Tortuous Journey From San Domingo City to New York.

New York.—For the first time since Christopher Columbus landed on the island of Haiti a road has been opened in the Dominican republic from Santo Domingo on the south to Puerto Plata on the northern side of the island, thus connecting the two principal seaports of the republic and opening to cultivation some of the richest agricultural lands on the island. Incidentally the new highway cuts off from ten to twelve days of the long and tortuous journey from Santo Domingo City to New York.

American marines, in the times when they were not busy maintaining order in the disturbed republic, have built this highway, which holds out rich promise for the future development of the island. About 150 miles long, it puts Puerto Plata on the north and Santo Domingo City on the south in close touch with coastwise shipping on both the Atlantic and Caribbean. Freight and passenger traffic from Santo Domingo City, on the Caribbean, which heretofore had to be carried around the south, east and northern ends of the island to Puerto Plata before going north, a journey of from ten to twelve days, may now in a few hours proceed over the new road to Puerto Plata for shipment.

Columbus Church Stands.
When Columbus landed on the site of Santo Domingo City in 1499 he founded the church of San Nikola, which is still in existence. Now the missionaries of the Episcopal church in the Dominican republic, in commemoration of the completion of the new highway, are establishing another church at Puerto Plata. Land has been secured and in a few months the new edifice will be dedicated by way of completing the link between the two sections of the republic.

Under the Rt. Rev. Charles B. Colmore, D. D., Episcopal missionary bishop of Porto Rico and the Dominican republic, Archdeacon William Wyllie and his wife have been the leaders in the movement to establish the new church, and Mrs. Wyllie enjoys the distinction of being the first woman to make the journey over the new highway from Santo Domingo City to Puerto Plata. Mrs. Wyllie who has just passed through New York on her way back to Dominica, having made the journey from the island to Portland, Ore., and back to attend the Episcopal general convention, is one of the busiest individuals in the little West Indian republic. In addition to her missionary duties, she manages the United States government hospital in Dominica and, in a manner of speaking, has presided as master of ceremonies at the birth of all the army children who have been born in Dominica since the beginning of the American occupation. She was the only nurse on the island when the influenza epidemic broke there and has endeared herself to the entire population, native and foreign alike, by her ministrations.

Pilots Ships to Harbor.
Archdeacon Wyllie, her husband, is similarly busily employed, Doctor Wyllie is one of those who have carried practical experience with life into the missionary service. At one time in his career he was an engineer on a Scotch tramp ship in West Indian waters. He is credited with knowing more about the Dominican coast than any other man south of the Florida straits, and on frequent occasions when he is coasting about on missionary trips he is called from his bunk during the late and early watches to take the helm and guide the ship through dangerous reefs into port.

Find Skeleton of Slain Indians.
Benson, N. Y.—Excavating for the new government hospital for disabled soldiers at Chelsea, near here, workmen dug up three Indian skeletons. There was a stone arrow head in the chest of each. The spot was on the old headquarters of the Wapingers. The skeletons will be sent to the National museum.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Heppner, Oregon, on the second Tuesday in January, 1923, (January 9th, 1923), between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. of said date for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such business as may legally come before the meeting.

W. P. MAHONEY,
Cashier.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1922.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution and order of sale duly issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County by the Clerk of said Court on the 11th day of December, 1922, pursuant to a judgment and decree duly rendered and entered in said Court on the 11th day of December, 1922, in a certain suit in said Court wherein N. P. Peterson, and Evelyn Peterson, husband and wife, were plaintiffs, and C. R. Peterson, Ethel Alverta Peterson, his wife, L. W. Weeks, and C. L. Berry, were defendants, and in which suit the plaintiffs recovered judgment against the defendant, C. R. Peterson, for the sum of \$7000.00 with interest thereon from the first day of November, 1919, at the rate of seven per cent per annum, the further sum of \$280.25, with interest thereon from the 28th day of February, 1922, at the rate of six per cent per annum, the further sum of

\$525.00, attorney's fees, and \$19.00, the cost of said suit, I will on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1923, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the front door of the Court House in the city of Heppner, Morrow County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following property situated in Morrow County, Oregon, to-wit:

The West Half of Section 24 in Township 3 South, Range 23 East of Willamette Meridian.

The above real property is taken and levied upon as the real property of C. R. Peterson, one of the above named defendants, and being the real property ordered sold in said suit, and I will sell the same and apply the proceeds, or so much thereof as may be required, to the payment of the above judgment, and accruing cost of sale.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1922.

GEO. McDUFFEE,
Sheriff.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 8, 1922.

Notice is hereby given that John J. McDonald, of Hardman, Oregon, who, on Oct. 26, 1920, made homestead entry, No. 020203, for W ½ N E ¼, Sec. 30, T. 5 S., R. 25 E., Lots 2, 3, NE ¼ SW ¼, NW ¼ SE ¼, SE ¼ SE ¼, Sec. 5, SE ¼ NE ¼, Section 6, Township 6 S., Range 25 E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before J. A. Waters, United States Commissioner, at Heppner, Oregon, on the 20th day of December, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: W. A. McCarty, Lotus Robison, Raymond Steers, Robert Steers, all of Hardman, Oregon.

23-34 J. W. DONNELLY, Register.



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