

DENNISON SUED FOR \$105,000 FOR ALLEGED SLANDER

Attorney A. E. Reames, representing O. M. Jackson, has brought suit against Ernest Dennison, who was recently convicted of attempted extortion against Jackson, for \$105,000 damages for slander. Seven different counts are enumerated, \$15,000 damages for each asked.

The suit is an aftermath of the arrest of Jackson on the charge of being a fugitive from justice, on the claim of having been wanted in New York for failure to satisfy a judgment obtained by Dennison, by default. A conspiracy between Dennison, Chas. Hess and Fred Kirkwood and Dennison was disclosed at the trial of the latter when Hess turned state's evidence.

Detective Kirkwood, as a result of testimony given, has been arrested by Deputy U. S. Marshall Fuller, charged with tampering with the mails. Hess in his testimony stated that in tracing Jackson, who was living under an assumed name near Grants Pass, Kirkwood had become possessed of a letter from the post office at Harrisonville, Mo., addressed to Mrs. C. O. Duffield (a sister of Mrs. Jackson), at Grants Pass, Ore. Kirkwood gained the confidence of an employee of the post office at the Missouri town, and bribed him to obtain the letter. Postal Inspector Wood was present during the trial, and the arrest of Kirkwood followed.

Kirkwood was taken before United States Commissioner Herbert Smith, where his bonds were placed at \$2000, upon the securing of which he was released to appear before the federal authorities for trial later. Kirkwood left for the south. His bonds were supplied by Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Reddy.

ROGUE RIVER GROVE SELLS FOR \$60,000

T. B. Cornell and F. D. Elsmann have sold their ranch of 155 acres on Rogue river near the town of Rogue River to a syndicate of eastern people, represented by Judge J. T. Burney of Kansas City and W. B. Sherman of Grants Pass. The sale price of the ranch is \$60,000, and immediate possession has been given.

The ranch consists of 155 acres, with 100 acres of six and eight year old orchard now coming into bearing. Sixty acres of apples, from which 4000 boxes will be harvested this fall as the first commercial crop, and 40 acres of pear trees that yielded a crop this season.

Judge Burney will have direction of the property under the new ownership, and has employed F. D. Elsmann to oversee the harvest of the crop now on the trees.

NEW BOOKS AT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Books added to the public library during the week ending October 3:

China Painting, McLaughlin; Early Days on the Yukon and the Story of Its Gold Finds, Ogilvie; Enjoyment of Poetry, Eastman; Essentials of Electricity, Timble; Governments of Europe, Ogg; Little Book of Modern Verse, Rittenhouse; Measure of the Hours, Maeterlinck; Mornings With Masters of Art, Powers; My Boy and I, Herriek; Old Franciscan Missions of California, James; Poetical Works, Dryden; Practical Handbook for the Working Miner, Miller; Psychology in Daily Life, Seashore; Radioactive Substances and Their Radiations, Rutherford; Social Forces in England and America, Wells; Social Psychology, Ross; Tennis Tactics, Little; Three Lords of Destiny, Crothers; Universities of the World, Thwing.

EUREKA RAILROAD NEARS COMPLETION

EUREKA, Cal., Oct. 2.—The first train to run over the Northwestern Pacific's newly completed line arrived at Macann, 50 miles south of Eureka, from Sausalito at 2:30 p. m. yesterday. The train was composed of a locomotive and 50 convertible ballast cars. Railroad officials announced today that the driving of the first spike will occur October 2nd. The first passenger train run over the new line will bring 550 excursionists from San Francisco to participate in the celebration here.

SEPTEMBER AN AVERAGE MONTH FOR WEATHER

The weather report issued for the month of September shows that .87 of an inch of rain fell during the month, .39 of an inch more than fell in the same period last year. The greatest precipitation was on the 18th, when .31 of an inch fell. The month was comprised of 19 clear days, 5 partly cloudy and 6 cloudy days. The hottest day was the 1st, when the mercury registered 92 degrees, and the lowest temperature was recorded on the 12th, when the thermometer dropped to 34 degrees. The mean temperature for the month was 61.2. The greatest daily range was 49.5 degrees.

The report for the month follows:

Date	Max.	Min.	Rng.	Prec.
1	92	46	46	—
2	88	51	36	—
3	83	47	36	—
4	79	45	34	—
5	81	41	40	—
6	79	41	38	—
7	73	49	24	—
8	66	43	22	T.
9	80	41	39	—
10	90	40	48	—
11	88	41	47	—
12	67	45	22	—
13	70	34	34	—
14	73	36	36	—
15	67	55	12	—
16	65	52	13	—
17	84	51	33	.13
18	76	63	13	.31
19	63	46	17	.27
20	70	40	30	—
21	78	40	38	—
22	86	39	46	—
23	89	41	49	—
24	86	51	35	—
25	83	52	32	.15
26	78	37	41	—
27	71	38	33	—
28	78	40	38	—
29	81	41	40	—
30	77	43	34	—
Mean	78	44	37	.84

ROBERTS INFUSING LIFE IN BOARD

E. C. Roberts, of Lebanon, president of the state board of horticulture, stopped over in Medford this week and met the growers of the valley. Mr. Roberts is a recent appointee and is infusing life into the board, which has been somewhat dormant for a long time. He desires to co-operate with the orchardists throughout the state and bring the board to a high state of efficiency.

Mr. Roberts states that he had conferred with California state authorities regarding tuber infected potatoes, several cars of which had been shipped to Oregon and condemned, and arranged for more stringent inspection of products. He was assured co-operation both by state and federal authorities in the war upon pests.

At San Francisco Mr. Roberts inspected the methods of plant quarantine used by F. Maskey, government quarantine expert and asserts that Oregon needs just such a station at Portland to keep tabs on shipments.

FRENCH TRY CASES OF GERMAN LOOTERS

PARIS, Oct. 3, 10:55 a. m.—A French court martial has begun hearing the cases of Germans taken prisoner by the French while in disguise, and on whose persons there have been found objects of value. All German prisoners in French hands thus suspected of pillage are to be tried. One such man has just been sentenced to imprisonment for five years, while two others were given sentences of eight months' confinement.

Spies are being judged summarily without the formality of a court martial. Their executions are being kept a close secret, but it is said that a considerable number already have been shot.

VICE PRESIDENT SAYS CHAMBERLAIN IS HARD WORKER

Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall, in a letter to Democratic State Chairman Bert E. Haney, urges the voters of Oregon to re-elect Senator George E. Chamberlain.

The vice-president, who is the presiding officer of the senate, warmly praises Senator Chamberlain, saying: "No member of the body over which I preside is harder working or more painstaking in the discharge of duty than is Senator Chamberlain." He expresses the hope that Senator Chamberlain "is not going to be punished, at least for his loyalty and devotion to duty."

Vice-President Marshall's endorsement and hope of success for Senator Chamberlain follows a similar endorsement made by President Wilson yesterday. The vice-president had expected to come to Oregon and speak in behalf of Senator Chamberlain, but the delay in the adjournment of congress has prevented this. The vice-president's letter is as follows: "September 26, 1914.—My Dear Mr. Haney: I had hoped that the congress would adjourn so that I could get to Arizona, then to California and Oregon, but it now seems impossible. Aside from the delightful experience of meeting again, a liberal-minded people, untrammelled by precedent and seeking the best things, I had hoped to be able to give a few reasons why Senator Chamberlain should be returned to the United States senate.

"I hope he is not going to be punished, at least for his loyalty and devotion to duty. No member of the body over which I preside is harder working or more painstaking in the discharge of duty than is Senator Chamberlain.

"He has never had the slightest trouble with the administration and has never differed from it except upon the tolls question, and that was understood by the administration to be not political in its character, the vote upon it being affected by the individual views of the senators.

"If the people of Oregon are content with the present administration and believe that its purposes are for the common good, they can do no better in furthering those purposes than to return the senator at the next election. Very respectfully yours, THOS. R. MARSHALL.

"Hon. B. E. Haney,
"Portland, Oregon."

FOUR KILLED BY EXPLOSION

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Oct. 3.—Four men were killed and many injured today by an explosion of the powder magazine of the fire-works manufacturing plant of the Detwiller and Street company on the Hackensack Meadows, just outside the city.

It was reported to the police that the number injured was probably 40. Windows were broken a mile away. Of the 150 men usually employed at the plant, approximately half were on duty.

The explosion occurred in the drying room. Twenty-one persons were taken to hospitals within an hour, some of them believed to be mortally injured.

John Andrews, superintendent of the plant, was arrested.

GERMANS IN ROME GIVE TO AID WAR

ROME, Oct. 2, 10:10 p. m., via Paris, Oct. 3, 9:45 a. m.—A meeting of the Germans was held here today to collect funds for a war present to the fatherland. The women in attendance gave all the valuables they possessed and a chambermaid insisted on giving her bankbook, calling for 3000 lire (about \$600), though she was urged to keep part of it.

The German women here have sent to Germany three cars loaded with ravelings for the wounded, made from their household linen.

WATER RATES AT GRANT'S PASS ORDERED RAISED

GRANTS PASS, Oct. 3.—In a decision handed down by the state railroad commission of Oregon the water rates of the city of Grants Pass are increased approximately three per cent.

The commission says in part: "The schedule of rates fixed by ordinance No. 641 is unreasonable, in that if enforced it would yield less than a fair return for the service performed.

"In order that the charges made by the applicant shall be fair and relatively equitable, and not unjustly discriminatory as between the different classes of its patrons, the various water users should be classified."

The water users are then classified in three groups. The first class includes apartments, lodge halls, stores, offices, domestic use, etc., and the rate is for the first faucet, 90 cents; additional faucets 10 cents each; bath, 25 cents; toilet, 50 cents, and additional toilets, 25 cents.

Class two includes barber shops, public baths, restaurants and rooming houses, and the rate for the first faucet is \$1.40, with a charge of 25 cents for each additional faucet.

The third class includes hotels, packing plants, schools, etc., and the

charge is through meter service of 40 cents per 100 cubic feet for the first 300 feet.

ASIATIC CHOLERA OCCURS IN GERMANY

LONDON, Oct. 3, 7:50 a. m.—The North German Gazette admits the appearance of cholera in Germany, as well as in Austria, says a Rome dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company, but assures the public that the outbreak is well in hand.

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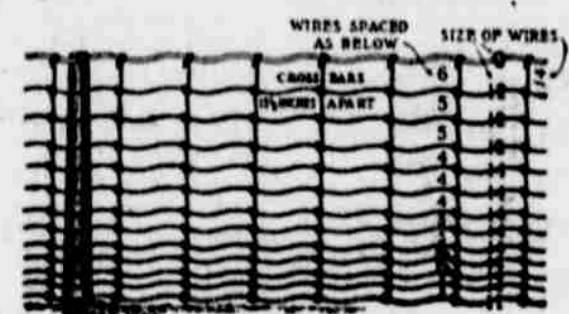
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