

SEVEN YEARS FOR LISKEY AND WALLIS

Welch Gets Five Years and Is Paroled— Sentence Meets Approval of Citizens and Stock Association

Chas. Liskey, Alf. Wallis and Walter Welch received their sentence this morning for stealing the band of 21 horses for which the first two were found guilty by the jury, and the latter confessed. Chas. Liskey reiterated his denial of guilt and did not seem to be the least affected by the prospect of several years in the state penitentiary. Wallis, on the other hand, was deeply affected and it was with difficulty that he controlled himself. His thoughts seemed to be of his wife and child, and his aged parents, and when their names were mentioned the tears percolated in filling his eyes, although it was apparent that he was struggling bravely to keep them back. The proceedings were as follows:

By the Court: This is the time set for the sentencing of Charles Liskey, Alf. Wallis and Walter Welch. Stand up all three.

Have you anything to say why sentence of the law should not be passed upon you at this time?

By Mr. Mills: If Your Honor please—

By Defendant Charles Liskey: I have to say I am not guilty, and that I am sent over the road just through the people, and I can not say anything because it is no use of saying anything. It don't make any difference what I would say, they would send me anyway, so that is all I have got to say. I say I am not guilty of that charge, have not helped steal any horses, and don't know about any horses stolen. That is all.

By Mr. Mills: If Your Honor please, if I may be permitted to say a word. Of course, I realize that the jury has returned a verdict of guilty in this case, and that settles that part of it. But with reference to the defendant, I desire to say this: When the boy was 22 years old, to go back three years before that, when he was 18 years of age, his mother was left without the support of her husband, for certain reasons, and she was a widow woman then without anything but a homestead. This boy was the oldest boy, and he stayed and took care of his mother, worked out and worked at home, until he was 22 years of age, then the Spanish War came on, and he enlisted in the regular army, served four years lacking one day, as a regular, going to the Philippine Islands, and was in the engagement commonly known as San Juan Hill, on the 10th, 11th and 12th at the battle of Santiago de Cuba, over there, having served three years

lacking one day in the defense of his country, and was discharged with an honorable discharge. His character, so says the discharge—I will submit that to the Court, shows that his service was honest and faithful, and no reason why he could not re-enlist. After that, he immediately went with volunteers, re-enlisted, and went to the Philippine Islands, and served a year and ten months the discharge says, and was then discharged, and when he was discharged, he was paid \$260, which he brought home, and gave to his mother, showing that he is not of a disposition to squander his money, and that discharge shows that his character was perfectly good and his services faithful. Now, I say this, because it seems to me if, Your Honor please, a man has gone out and served his country, if there is any time in the world when he should be entitled to some consideration on account of that fact, it is when he has made his first mistake in such a direction, and needs consideration, sympathy and credit for what he has done for his country, in reference to the time that he shall spend to the penitentiary. I think that there were very few boys of Klamath County that in that war went out in defense of their country, and I think that he is one of them, and that the defendant received an honorable discharge. If the Court can consider that in imposing sentence at this time, and give him credit for what he has done in that direction, I ask that it be done, and we submit the record of his discharges, correspondence, etc. I think that this defendant, when he comes out, if he ever does come from the penitentiary, if he must go there at all, that he will be as good a citizen as his record in the army has shown him to be, and I think if the Court can show him mercy at this time, it will be an advantage to him, and give him something to look forward to, and I ask that the sentence be made as light as possible.

By the Court: Has the District Attorney anything to say?

By the District Attorney: If I could say anything that would be of assistance to the Court, I would gladly do so, but I do not know of anything I can offer. The Court is well advised, probably better than I am at this time.

By the Court: Stand up Charles Liskey. (Defendant Liskey stands up.)

This Court could not find any re-

sponsive chord to the remarks that you have made here, that you are not guilty. The Court believes you to be guilty of this, and this Court also thinks that you have caused your mother, and your brothers to come in here and perjure themselves in an endeavor to save you from going to the penitentiary. This Court thinks that you were tried by a fair and impartial jury, and I do not think, under the circumstances, ten years would be any too much, but this Court always wishes to be on the side of mercy and leniency. This Court is in hopes that the leniency it will extend to you in this case will be appreciated by you, and that you being a young man you can come forth from the penitentiary, which is more of a reformatory institution than it has been heretofore, and make a useful citizen. You fought the battles of your country, and the Court will take that into consideration. Your papers show you to have been a brave man, the Court believes, like many American boys who have gone forth to fight the battles of their country, they are generally brave. The Court shall undoubtedly take into consideration the papers you have laid before it here. I think the Court is also aware of the fact, Charles Liskey, that you have had a pretty hard life, so this Court sympathizes with you. It is the judgment of this Court, Charles Liskey, that you be imprisoned in the penitentiary of the State of Oregon for a period of six years.

By the Court: Mr. Wallis, will you please stand up.

Have you anything to say, Alf. Wallis why the sentence of the law should not be passed upon you at this time? A. No, sir, I have not anything to say, only one thing. I want you to be as lenient as possible on me, for I have an old father and mother, and wife and baby, and that is all I have to say to you.

By the Court: Alf. Wallis, the jury has found you guilty, and the Court appreciates what you have said. As in the other case, the Court believes that your conduct has really merited the full ten years' sentence, the limit of the law in such cases. You embarked in a dangerous and desperate affair, and as I have just said to Mr. Liskey, this Court will undoubtedly take into consideration that you have a wife and little baby, and an old father and mother, and also the fact that you have gone behind them and put them up to defend you, and this Court believes that you have caused them and yourself to commit perjury. The Court is sorry for this, Mr. Wallis, and as I say, the full limit of ten years would not be too much, but I believe you are repentant; I believe that you now see the error of your ways, and I believe you will come out of the penitentiary and be a useful citizen. I believe that the people here in this country, both you and Mr. Liskey, will be glad to help you to be a better man, that is, when you have served this term. The penitentiary of the State of Oregon, of course, is a place of punishment, still it has many of the humane characteristics that go to reformation of people who

go there—the kindly manner in which they are treated, and they get credit of 25 per cent for good conduct—which would let you out of the penitentiary with three-quarters of the sentence that this Court will impose upon you, being the same as imposed upon Mr. Liskey. It is the judgment of this Court that you be confined in the penitentiary of the state of Oregon for a period of six years.

By the Court: Walter Welch, have you anything to say?

A. Nothing.

By the Court: The Court is sorry for all of you prisoners. It seems that it is pretty hard sometimes for a Court, in a case of this kind, to overcome its emotions. This Court would gladly not sentence you, but would allow you prisoners to go without any punishment. You have helped ferret out this crime, Walter Welch, perhaps it never would have been found out if it had not been for you. The Court is going to take that into consideration. The Court is also going to take into consideration your poor health. I have been informed by Dr. Hamilton, a good many times, that you would be unable to live in the penitentiary, and the Court is bound to believe that the skilled physician knows best in this matter. The Court is not going to sentence you to the penitentiary of the State of Oregon. The Court is going to impose upon you a sentence, an open sentence. Under the humane statutes of this state, it is now made discretionary with the Court, in putting one who has been sentenced to the penitentiary, under parole. It is the judgment of this Court that you be confined in the penitentiary of the State of Oregon for a term of five years, but the Court is going to order that you be paroled, and allowed to go where you will, under the condition that you are to be a law-abiding citizen. If you break the law, you would then be compelled to commence the service of your five-year sentence immediately without any time off of the time that you have been paroled. It has appeared in the trial, both from Mr. Stewart and yourself, that more than likely you can get employment from a man that will look out for you. You will be under the supervision of this Court, Walter Welch, and the Court shall expect you to faithfully, on the first day of each and every month, beginning the first day of May, and on the first day of every other month, the Court will expect you to write the Court, telling it what you are doing, give an account of yourself, and your conduct, and the Court believes that you are repentant in this matter, and this will be a lesson to you. The Court does not feel under the advice given it by Dr. Hamilton that it will sentence you to the penitentiary, which the Court feels would be condemning you to death, or, the Court would give you a short term in the penitentiary. The particular conditions of your parole will be set out in the order that will be entered by the Clerk, and it would be best for you to have a copy of that order.

The case of the State vs. Charles Liskey, Alf. Wallis and Roy Vestal was then called, and the attorneys for the two former stated that their clients wished to withdraw their former pleas of not guilty and to enter pleas of guilty and were ready for sentence. The Court thereupon sentenced the two men to one year each in the state penitentiary, to commence at the expiration of their former sentence. The Court ordered, however, that they be placed on parole on the last sentence. As Vestal has not been arraigned his case will be heard later.

ALFALFA MEAL WILL BE MANUFACTURED

Large Plant to Be Erected in Klamath County This Summer By Local and Eastern Capital

This evening the receipts for the year will be sufficient to place the office in the second class. This quarter does not end until the first of the month, but during the first nine days the office will have transacted \$530 of business, which was the amount necessary to bring the yearly business up to \$5000. Several hundred dollars worth of stamped envelopes have been ordered which will be delivered the last of the month, and with this and the regular business it will bring the quarter's receipts to \$500 and \$600 over the amount necessary. Mr. Emmitt says he has rather discouraged the placing of large orders for envelopes this month as he is afraid that the receipts will be so large that the department might think that the receipts were being stuffed in order to place the office in the second class.

That the question of the manufacture of alfalfa meal in this county has not passed the attention of the people here is evidenced by the fact that plans are practically completed for the erection of a plant for the production of this article. Local capital will be partially interested in the concern, but most of it will come from the East, the promoter of the enterprise being E. J. Murray of this city. In connection with this matter, Mr. Murray says:

"For the past several months I have been carefully investigating the alfalfa meal industry and have about completed the compilation of such data on the subject as will enable us to act intelligently in the matter. A tentative order has been placed with a St. Louis firm for the necessary machinery, shipment of which will be made as soon as the detailed plans are worked out. Just where the plant will be located will not be announced until negotiations now under way are concluded."

Very few, if any, innovations have attracted such wide attention throughout the West as has alfalfa meal. So little is known of it that much skepticism exists as to its worth, but this is being rapidly dispelled. Within a short time the Herald will publish a detailed article on the manufacture, use and value of this article.

JOHN WESLEY MASTEN.

John Wesley Masten died at 4 o'clock this morning at the home of his son, W. W. Masten, at the Summers ranch, at the age of 75 years, 10 months and 18 days. The deceased was a native of New York state and has been a resident of this county less than a year during which time he has been an invalid. Mr. Masten is the father of W. W. Masten, who purchased the Summers ranch, F. E. Masten, Mrs. Schmeiser and Mrs. Miles. He leaves a wife and three sons and five daughters.

The date of the funeral has not been set yet.

LADIES ATTENTION.

Fine line of Tailored and Dress Hats on display at The Vogue Millinery Parlors, just opening south of the Houston Hotel. March 11, 12, and 13.

Opening—Friday and Saturday. The Brick Store.

GAME LAW SAID TO BE ALL RIGHT

SENATOR MERRYMAN SAYS THE LAW WAS REPORTED INCORRECTLY.

Senator Merryman, who returned last evening from San Francisco, states that there evidently is a mistake in the reported provisions of the game law relative to duck shooting in Klamath County. The Senate committee reported unfavorably on his amendment to reduce the limit of the open season in this county, but he had the amendment inserted in the bill in the House and it was passed by that body. It was returned to the Senate with the amendment just before the end of the session, and was concurred in by that body. The duck law provides for an open season in Klamath County from September 1 to February 15.

Dr. Merryman thinks that the law must have been printed from the original bill and not as it was finally amended. He states, however, that when he goes to Salem for the special session he will go over the bill and see that it is correct. The game law will probably have to be reenacted as other mistakes have been found in some of the provisions.

Read Paris news—See Paris fashions. Watch the Millinery Department of the Brick Store.



Your Easter Suit

Easter falls on Sunday, April 11th, this year. It is the day of all days to show fine plumes. The time to prepare is NOW. Let us make your clothes for you and you will be absolutely certain of satisfaction in every particular.

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BIG DAYS BUSINESS AT POSTOFFICE

YESTERDAY WAS A RECORD-BREAKER—OVER \$500 THE FIRST NINE DAYS.

Yesterday the Klamath Falls post-office transacted the greatest amount of business of any day in its history. During the day there were over \$74 worth of stamps sold through the window. These were nearly all in small amounts. Very often large orders will be filled for stamped envelopes, but while yesterday's business was the largest done by the office, most of it was in comparatively small amounts.

Postmaster Emmitt states that by



DR. DAVID ROBERTS, Wicquain State Veterinarian, 1906-7-8

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