

TRIAL OF MERRILL SHOWMEN ON A CATTLE STEALING CHARGE BRINGS OUT SOME INTERESTING MATTERS

DEFENSE HINTS STRONGLY AT A PLOT TO CAUSE TRIO TO LEAVE COUNTRY

J. N. Johnson, the Prosecuting Witness Is Subjected to Grilling Cross-Examination by Attorney Thomas Drake—Is Asked if There Are Not Rumors About That He Has Put Brand on Cattle of Others

Benational charges and counter charges are the order of the day at Justice Gowen's court today, where Will Sims, Lays Chandler and Ivan Ernst, all of the Merrill country, are being tried for the alleged theft of a cow.

Direct and cross-examination by the opposing attorneys, Prosecuting Attorney Irwin and A. M. O'Neill for the state and George Nelson and Thomas Drake for the defense, is bringing out much of interest. The cross examination indicates that the defense is laying a foundation for some strong rebuttal testimony, and to show the three youths are being persecuted.

The testimony of J. N. Johnson, who accuses the three men, was to the effect that he missed the cow last December, and a search failed to find her. December 11, in company with a relative, he says he dug around on the Sims place, and found a portion of the hide and the head of the animal, buried about four feet beneath the surface.

In cross examination Attorney Drake brought out the fact that since early in the fall the three accused have been away with a Wild West show, and that it would have been possible for someone to have planted the hide there. In cross-examination the witness also stated that it was two days after he dug up the hide that he called Deputy Sheriff Tom Durham to see it.

Drake's cross-examination was a grilling one, and several times the witness was confused. In it he attempted to show that the arrest was

part of a plot to get the men out of the country.

Johnson was asked if Sims had not told him a spring that Johnson had used to water his cattle, and if he had not stated that he would get Sims out of the country if it cost him a thousand dollars. Johnson emphatically denied this.

Drake then asked the complaining witness if there were not rumors around the Mallu country to the effect that he (Johnson) was "putting his iron" on other people's cattle. Johnson denied this. He said that he did brand a cow several years ago, but that it was through a mistake, and the matter was settled.

At the close of the Johnson testimony this afternoon the state rested its case. An adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning at the instance of the defense.

KING'S SON TO LEARN A TRADE

HOUSE OF HOHENZOLLERN HAS FOR AGES INSISTED THAT EVERY SON MUST LEARN SOME PRACTICAL TRADE

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Crown Prince Wilhelm today started "at the bottom" to learn the trade of master turner.

In accordance with the Hohenzollern tradition, which requires that every son of the house learn a trade, the future emperor of the Germans selected a complete turner's shop at Villa Langfuhr, where he today began taking lessons under the direction of an "ordinary" master turner of Danzig.

The crown prince, after learning the trade himself, will personally teach it to his oldest son. When a boy the crown prince learned wood carving.

The Kaiser's brother, Prince Henry, is an expert mechanic. The sons of Prince Frederick Leopold, the Kaiser's cousin, recently took their apprentice examination in the cabinet making and locksmith trades.

SLIGHTS KLAMATH ON GAME BOARD

BOTH EASTERN OREGON REPRESENTATIVES ARE FROM THE NORTHERN PART OF STATE, ADJOINING COUNTIES

After much deliberation, Governor West has at last named the fifth member of his new state fish and game commission. This is C. H. Evans of Willamette county.

There is much disappointment here at the selection of Evans, both because E. B. Hall, who was recommended from here as an ideal member, was overlooked, and Southern Oregon, east of the mountains, where the game is the most numerous, is entirely without a member.

The other Eastern Oregon representative is from Baker county, which adjoins Willamette county.

Local sportsmen were confident that a Klamath, Lake or Crook county man would be named.

COMMERCE BODY TO HOLD BANQUET

MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT WILL ARRANGE DETAILS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANNUAL ELECTION

Plans for holding the annual election of officers January 6th will be outlined at a meeting of the directors of the Klamath Chamber of Commerce to be held tomorrow evening. Other important matters will receive attention at this time.

There are many members of the Chamber of Commerce who are in favor of holding a banquet at the time the officers are elected. This would give the new men a chance to talk with the membership, and learn what they want. This will be decided at tomorrow's meeting.

TWO BASKETBALL GAMES ON X-MAS

IN ADDITION TO TOWN VS. HIGH SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL SECOND AND SELECTED QUINTET WILL ALSO PLAY

There will be two basketball games Christmas Day at Houston's opera house. In addition to the game between the Town team and the High school squad, a second high school aggregation will play against a selected team of basket shooters. The game between the second teams will be just as fast and interesting as the main performance, as the teams will be matched as to weight.

Thursday's games will start at 3 o'clock.

Down From Fort. Lindsey C. Stenore, a well known Fort Klamath merchant, is a county seat visitor.

Here From Ashland. J. J. Morton is here from Ashland for a short visit. Recently he built the Dorris flour mill.

To San Francisco. C. M. George was a San Francisco-bound passenger out of Klamath Falls Sunday. He went to the city to spend the holidays with his wife and son.

goes to Oakland. Mrs. William H. Shaw left Sunday for Oakland to visit relatives over Christmas.

Most of the murderous instruments of war are manufactured by a gentle-hearted woman, who was formerly Miss Bertha Krupp. The terrible guns her machinery turns out have caused many thousands of widows and orphans. And she rolls in the wealth secured by means of her death-dealing devices.

"Lay a fainting person down," says a medical journal of recent date. If the fainting person be a horrid man or a female who will be 47 in February, we'll obey orders instantly, but if the fainter is a navy-blue-eyed, rosy-lipped girl of about 18 or 25, these strong young arms shall support her if we never lay up a nickel.

Now the critics are trying to prove that Paul Revere never took that historic ride, and that Maud Muller never raked hay; that she didn't even have any hay to rake, and had never met a judge, unless it was a judge of good whiskey. Next thing these smart fellows will try to have us believe that Lady Godiva did not ride through the streets of Coventry, arrayed in a wealth of golden hair and a scared smile.

A queen bee lays from 2,000 to 3,000 eggs in twenty-four hours. The man who will discover how to cross a queen bee with a hen will soon have money enough to buy an automobile for himself and all his poor relatives.

THREE LARGEST MEXICAN BANKS CLOSED TODAY

PANIC IS ON IN THE BUSINESS CIRCLES

Failures, It Is Believed, Means the End of the Huerta Dictatorship. De La Barra Calls on the Mikado of Japan, and It Is Rumored That He Is Advocating an Alliance Between the Japanese and Mexicans.

United Press Service MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—The Banco Central, Bank of London and Mexico and Banco Nacional closed their doors this morning.

These are the three largest financial institutions in Mexico. Runs on all of them have been in progress for several days.

It is believed that these failures mean the speedy end of the Huerta regime.

The money stringency in Mexico City is almost unbelievable in its extent. Business circles are in a state of panic.

United Press Service TOKIO, Dec. 22.—Senor De La Barra, the Mexican ambassador to France, arrived here today. He was received with much honor as a national guest.

Ostensibly, De La Barra came to thank the mikado for Japan's participation in Mexico's national exposition two years ago.

It is rumored, though, that he seeks a Mexican-Japanese alliance.

CATTLE AND HOG PRICES SLIDING

APATHY FOLLOWS THE CLOSE OF THE LIVESTOCK SHOW AT UNION STOCKYARDS — SHEEP HELD UP GOOD.

(Herald Special Service)

PORTLAND, Dec. 22.—A natural apathy was apparent in the cattle market this week, following the big stock show, when exceptionally heavy shipments were made. Cattle prices suffered a severe slump, top quality going at 25 cents lower and other grades at even more of a decline. Killers had supplied their needs temporarily, and will have to work off the surplus, but as liquidation will be light for the next few months the situation is expected to improve this next week.

The hog market dropped off 10 cents during the week, with extreme top at \$7.85 for the week's close for choice stuff, with heavy stock 10 to 15 cents down. Liberal liquidation increases the seasonable weakness. The sheep house business held up well for the week. Some choice mutton and lambs were marketed.

Lambs moved easily at \$6.25 and prime wethers held their own at \$5, while ewes closed around \$4 when choice stuff was offered.

Thomas-Roberts. At the home of the bride's parents Sunday afternoon, Rev. E. C. Richards, pastor of the Grace M. E. church united Lee S. L. Thomas of Merrill and Miss Gladys Roberts in the bonds of matrimony. Both are well known in this city. They will reside on the groom's ranch near Merrill.

Anderson-Quirk. Rev. William McMillan S. J., Sunday performed the ceremony, solemnizing the wedding of Herbert E. Anderson and Mary Agnes Quirk.

Masons Meet Tonight. Klamath Lodge No. 77, A. F. & A. M., will meet tonight. Regular stated communication, election of officers and work in Third degree. All members and visitors requested to be present. By order of W. M.

FINE ARTS BLDG. GOING UP FAST

STRUCTURE FOR HOUSING PRICE-LESS DISPLAY IS TO BE OF STEEL AND CONCRETE—MANY EMPLOYED

(Herald Special Service)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Work is progressing rapidly upon the Palace of Fine Arts at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. This building will be constructed of steel and concrete, to protect the priceless art treasures it will contain. The foundation, however, will be of wood.

Large quantities of lumber are now arriving on the palace site by train, over the exposition's standard gauge railway tracks, which lead from the ferry slips and docks directly to and into the exhibit palaces.

The convenience of this railway is appreciated everywhere on the exposition grounds, but nowhere more, at present, than about the Palace of Fine Arts, which is the westernmost of the main exhibit buildings, being located on the land of the Presidio military reservation, loaned by the federal government to the exposition. Its steel frames are being fabricated in the East.

CHAPTER NAMES NEW OFFICIALS

DON J. ZUMWALT IS CHOSEN TO THE HIGHEST OFFICE IN THE LOCAL BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ARCH MASONS

The following officers were elected at Saturday night's meeting of Klamath Chapter No. 37, Royal Arch Masons:

High Priest—Don J. Zumwalt. King—G. K. Van Riper. Scribe—George Chastain. Captain of the Host—A. H. Loewe. Treasurer—L. F. Willett. Secretary—A. A. McHaffey. Royal Arch Captain—G. K. Van Riper. Veils—Garret Van Riper, H. H. Loewe, Edmund W. Gowen Jr. These officers were installed at the same meeting.

Home for the Holidays. Miss Winifred Winnard, a teacher in the grade schools, and brother Howard, left Sunday for Langell Valley with their father, H. E. Winnard, a well known Klamath county rancher. They will spend the holidays there.

Returns Home. Thomas J. Sinnott, who has been visiting his brother, Philip J. Sinnott, for the past few weeks, left this morning for his home in Oregon City.

Accepts Position Here. Miss Sadie Maxwell of Bonanza, who has been visiting Miss Hazel Fitch, has accepted a position in the office of C. T. Oliver, the real estate dealer.

Without Food, Shelter Spend Night on Island

Spending the night on Bare Island without food or blankets is one of the experiences that Chas. Smith Jr., Chas. House and H. E. Zeek will long remember.

Thursday afternoon the three men left Williamson River in Charley House's launch "Speed King, bound for Modoc Point, where the father of young Smith is managing the construction of the big mills for the Pine Tree Lumber company. When the party reached Upper Lake they encountered heavy ice, in battling through which a cam shaft on the engine was broken.

They managed to paddle the craft to Eagle Ridge tavern, where they spent the night and mended the broken shaft. Early Friday morning they again attempted to negotiate the ice, but found it impossible.

All day long House sent the Speed King against the jagged edge of the ice, to find that the only headway the boat could make was toward Bare Island, where a current from some hidden warm spring kept the ice very thin.

JOBLESS DEMAND FOOD AT GRILL; SEVEN ARRESTED

PORTLAND MEN ARE BECOMING DESPERATE

Two Thousand at a Mass Meeting in San Francisco Denounce the Present Industrial System as the Cause of the Widespread Idleness, Particularly in California — Relief Committee is Being Formed.

United Press Service

PORTLAND, Dec. 22.—Seven men today invaded the Atlanta restaurant on Morrison street, demanding food, saying they were out of work and money.

The men were arrested by the police, charged with disorderly conduct.

United Press Service

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—At a mass meeting held here Saturday night which was attended by more than two thousand men interested in the laboring man and the labor question, resolutions were adopted denouncing the industrial system in California, which is held to be directly responsible for the wide spread suffering all over the state brought about by the great number of unemployed men, and declaring that the great wealth produced in the state precluded want on the part of the inhabitants if properly and honestly administered.

The resolution also demanded the establishment of municipal labor bureaus, and named a committee to consider the advisability of demand a special session of the legislature to meet the existing conditions.

A general committee was also named, and instructed to take steps immediately to relieve the starving.

A plan is under consideration to bring about permanent amelioration. Today the committee submitted the resolutions to Mayor Rolph, and are seeking his co-operation in their plans.

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Newell Sees a Great Year for Westerners

(Herald Special Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The director of the Reclamation service, F. H. Newell, has just returned to Washington after an extended tour of inspection of the big engineering works of the government in Montana, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, California, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico.

"With excellent crops and good prices the settlers on our projects are rounding out the year in a very cheerful frame of mind," said Mr. Newell. "Bankers and merchants report more real money in circulation than in previous years; old debts are being cancelled and credit is more readily obtained. Paradoxical as it may seem, the prosperity of 1913 has been accompanied by a general lowering in land values. Most land values in the irrigated West were unduly advanced during the past five years until they reached a point where the West no longer continued to attract the people of moderate means.

"Future development of the cultural lands of the arid West will be accomplished by a concerted effort to secure settlement, cultivate the soil, rather than to speculate on the advance in land values. "There is a better prospect today of the real difficulties in subduing a desert farm, and

the fact that the West still offers opportunities to men of moderate means as well as to men without ready money, but of average intelligence and frugality, who are willing to work hard. Actual failures on the government projects are relatively few in number, and at the present time it would appear that a fairly permanent class of settlers are now established on the farms. There is a marked change also in the attitude of the public toward government activities in reclamation. In former years unfavorable comparisons were drawn concerning the cost of federal work, but in the light of financial difficulties which have been encountered by private enterprises and of the failure of many of these to furnish a dependable water supply, the wisdom of the government's larger outlay is now no longer questioned.

"The confidence in the future of these irrigated lands is based upon the excellent crop returns for 1913. The average value per acre of products grown on the new government farms is almost exactly the same as the average for the products grown on irrigated lands under older systems. There is everywhere in the West urgent request for more rapid extension of federal activity, and several of the Western states have made special appropriations for co-operation with the reclamation service."

PUT THE DENTIST OUT OF BUSINESS

PARISIAN SCIENTIST SAYS ULTRA-VIOLET RAY WILL MAKE THE MOLARS PROOF AGAINST ALL DECAY

United Press Service PARIS, Dec. 22.—A has the teeth that are false and the practice of filling and crowning teeth.

Also, a has the dentist, and his torture chamber, if the boast of the inventor of a new method of dentistry can be made good.

The new process was invented here today. The inventor uses ultra-violet rays.

A mask is placed over the face and the teeth exposed to the rays for an hour. Two settings are sufficient, says the inventor, to make the teeth absolutely immune to decay.

Leave for Eugene. Robert Kaykendall and Fred Moulton left this morning for Eugene, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Home for the Holidays. Robert Riggs, who is in his freshman year at the University of Oregon, arrived from Eugene Saturday night, to spend the Christmas vacation visiting with his parents.

To Salem. M. J. McDonough left this morning for Eugene and Salem. He will spend the holidays in the latter city with his children, who are wintering there.

Christmas Dance. A dance is to be given Thursday evening at the opera house by the musicians of the city.

Mrs. Gowen Better. Mrs. E. W. Gowen, who has been ill for several days, is much improved today.

Off for a Trip. Albert McCoy of the Herald's mechanical department, and Earl McCoy, connected with the Western Union, left Sunday for a holiday to San Francisco and other California points.

Home From Corvallis. Miss Ruth Avery, Miss Maxwell Sanderson, Wilbur Telford and Theodore Case, students at the Oregon Agricultural College, are home for Christmas.

Miss Hale's Home. Miss Anna Hale, who is enrolled as a student at the University of Oregon, is here to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hale.

When father and mother visit the burlesque show, mother is always anxious for fear one of the seams in the numerous variety of tights may yield and slip a little, and give father a view that is not down on the bills.