

WHEELER LAUGHS ATTEMPTS TO PROVE SWINDLE

Senator On Stand Turns Case In His Favor

SENATE COURTROOM, GREAT
MOUNTAIN, April 22.—Senator
Wheeler told his story to
today and passed the lie
denying in detail
the charges made by the prose-
cution for misuse of

for hours he sat and talked
about how he had
been misled by Gordon Campbell,
old man, as an attorney,
on a receivership suit for
how he went down to
on his senator, and talked
persons trying to get fi-
nancing for Campbell, and
the occasion he went down
aged for Campbell to see
both former solicitor of
or department.

savagely denied that he
promised to handle permit
for Campbell before the de-
and contended he had
George H. Hayes, star
witness, who testified
he attempted to involve
shady oil permit deal to
Blom.

Defense Elated

was the defense as a
the day's testimony that
Thomas J. Walsh, chief de-
fense, announced after court
that he was perfectly
let the case go to the
stands, without the ex-
tra days' recess to get wit-
nesses to the east. He stipulated
Frank S. Dietrich, in a
with prosecuting attor-
he would waive the re-
testimony of all four ex-
tern witnesses, if the
would admit the validity
from a Mr. Luckell,
the Washington Telephone
in the effect that no record
there of a telephone call
and Booth made to him in
22, in regard to arranging
er to see Booth.

Verdict Soon

on of this telegram as
would close the defense's
day noon, and the verdict
might be received be-
day night.
Slattery, district attorney,
has not yet decided
will refuse to admit the
the Luckell telegram as
if he persists that Luckell
ought here to testify, the
have to be taken.

four hours on the stand
On direct examination
only broke out from scope
questions and told his story

Jurors in a conversational
making them into his con-
to such intimacies as
ought by his wife in New
one occasion, how she was
in Washington, expecting
arrival in the family, jokes
and in conversations he was
and how he managed to
with his political enemies.

Wheeler Jokes

cross-examination he spar-
Slattery, jibed him about
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300 Visiting Shriners Will Be Here In May

W. C. Van Emon, president of
the Crater Lake Shrine club of
Klamath Falls addressed the Mer-
chants Bureau at their meeting last
night on the important Hillah Tem-
ple Shrine ceremonial to be staged
in Klamath on Saturday, May 23d.

Over 300 visiting Shriners will be
here for the lodge activity. Van
Emon pointed out. There will be
visitors with their wives and friends
from all the important towns of
southern Oregon as far north as
Eugene, and from a number of
northern California cities.

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decorate their windows in Shrine
colors red, yellow, and green, for
the occasion, and the chamber of
commerce was asked to have the
street flags flung to the breeze.

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COUNCIL GRANT TO SHELL OIL CO. CONDEMNED

Merchants Bureau Opposes Grant For Building Permit

Condemning the action of the
council at their last meeting in
granting a permit for the Shell
Oil company to install a service sta-
tion at Eighth and Main street, the
Klamath Falls Merchants Bureau
in their regular meeting last night
went on record by a unanimous
vote against the establishment of
the station, and one member sug-
gested the mayor's veto as a means
of killing the permit.

The main objection as brought
out in the meeting was the ten-
dency of a small investment such as
a filling station is claimed to be,
failing to develop this valuable prop-
erty to the extent that a modern
store building would. Vacant lots
or cheap buildings tend to hold
back the trading possibilities of ad-
joining stores in expensive build-
ings, it was claimed by the mer-
chants. Also the tendency to add
to the congestion of this busy cor-
ner and the danger to school chil-
dren was mentioned.

The Merchants Bureau will pre-
sent a copy of their action to the
council at the next meeting, and
they will ask that no service sta-
tions be permitted to locate on
Main street between Third and
Eleventh.

War on Peddlers

A uniform set of by-laws pattern-
ed after the most prominent bur-
eaus in the state was adopted at
last night's meeting and two addi-
tional presidents were elected, H.
N. Moe second vice president, and
Roy Durbin third vice president.

The Portland ordinance aimed
to curtail the activity of peddlers
and itinerant vendors was read and
discussed at great length, and a
committee composed of Fred Glo-
ver, H. N. Moe, Chris Barnstable,
Ed Vannice, and M. P. Evans was
appointed to investigate this ordi-
nance and other ordinances in ef-
fect in nearby towns in order that
a measure suitable to the needs of
Klamath Falls may be drawn up for
presentation to the council for
adoption. It was the sense of the
meeting that a campaign be launch-
ed in Klamath county aimed to ad-
vise local residents in the advan-
tage of trading with regularly es-
tablished merchants and particularly
the home merchants.

War Declared On Obscene Movies

WASHINGTON, April 22.—War
on obscene and historically inac-
curate movies was urged before
the Daughters of the American Re-
volution today in a report from Mrs.
Mary E. Newton Baldwin, chair-
man of the committee on better
films.

Mrs. Baldwin urged this, not only
for the sake of the younger genera-
tion, but to promote better inter-
national relations, since 90 per
cent of the movies of the world are
produced in the United States. She
said that Will Hays and his
cooperating producers has assisted
in this direction and Mrs. Baldwin
said much progress had been made.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER

LOS ANGELES, April 22.—Luis
Valdez, 35 a Mexican, was arrested
here late tonight in connection with
the fiendish murder of Mrs. Marie
Louise Unterhahr, 50 years old,
wealthy widow, whose mutilated
body was found by a lonely road-
side at Culver City.

MORGAN GETS DRAW

OAKLAND, April 22.—Stewart
McLean, St. Paul featherweight,
fought ten rounds to a draw with
Tod Morgan of Vallejo, Pacific coast
featherweight champion here tonight.
Newspaper men declared Morgan had
the edge in seven rounds, however.

Woman Accuses Patrolman of Brutal Attack

After being out for 5 hours, the
jury in the case of Mr. and Mrs.
E. T. McQueen, charged with pos-
session of intoxicating liquor, failed
to agree, and at 10 o'clock last
night were released by Justice of the
Peace Hunsaker. Burt Cook, Roy
Durbin and Dr. Lyle stood for ac-
quittal, while T. B. Watters, C. A.
Hayden and John Brett were firm
for conviction, it is understood.

Evidence offered by the defense
was more startling in nature than
has developed in a liquor trial in
Klamath county for months.

R. V. Hutchins and Ira Mathews
who were sitting with Mrs. McQueen
in her home when Patrolman Cooper
entered the home suddenly through
a window, testified that Cooper,
without stating his mission, rushed
across the room, grabbed Mrs. Mc-
Queen around the neck, dragged her
across the room and brutally threw
her on a couch. The fact that
Cooper kept them at bay at the point
of a revolver was the only thing that
prevented them from interfering
with the attack, Hutchins and
Mathews testified.

Mrs. McQueen testified that she
was held in jail for 5 hours with
a flesh wound in her arm, without
being given medical treatment. She
also exhibited bruises about the
breast, which she testified Cooper
inflicted while handling her. She
testified that she did not resist ar-
rest, that she was at a loss to know
who Cooper was, and what he
wanted when he entered the place.

Cooper testified that the woman
resisted arrest, and that he was
forced to resort to such tactics to
make the arrest.

POSSE GET ON TRAIL OF ESCAPED CONVICT

ROSEBURG, April 22.—Lee Dun-
can, ex-convict, who escaped from
the Douglas county jail here Tues-
day morning after slugging Deputy
Sewell, made his whereabouts
known to the posse today, when it
was found that he stole an army
overcoat at the Fred Fisher ranch,
near Carnes some 30 miles south
of this city. The fugitive also visit-
ed the ranch storehouse and sup-
plied himself with a quantity of
prunes and drank copiously of milk.

VITAGRAPH CO. SELLS OUT TO WARNER BROS.

NEW YORK, April 22.—The Vit-
agraph company of America, the
oldest motion picture organization
in the world, became the property
of Warner Brothers, Inc., today.

Control of the Vitagraph organi-
zation was purchased from J.
Stuart Blackton, Albert E. Smith
and a representative of William T.
Rock. These three organized the
company 28 years ago.

Henry M. Warner announced that
the deal was in no sense an amal-
gamation and that his company
would take over all Vitagraph con-
tracts. The purchase provides War-
ner Brothers, Inc., with a distribu-
tion organization in the United
States and Europe.

FLIGHT OF BIG AIR CRUISER IS DELAYED BY WIND

WASHINGTON, April 22.—A
brisk northwest wind prevented the
dirigible Los Angeles from leaving
Bermuda today, a wireless dispatch
received at the navy department
said.

The giant airship rode out a 35
mile gale, moored to the Patoka.
It will leave for Lakehurst some
time Thursday if weather conditions
are favorable.

WOMAN GOVERNOR TO SPEAK

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 22.—Ac-
companied by her secretary, Gov.
Nellie Tayloe Ross, boarded a train
today for Chicago, where she will
speak before the women's world fair.
Gov. Ross said before leaving she
would prepare her speech enroute.

KILLS FATHER

CALGARY, Alta., April 22.—To
save his mother from further in-
jury at the hands of her husband,
13 year old Harold Braun seized an
axe and killed his father during a
domestic quarrel.

MODOC LUMBER MILL MAY SELL TO EASTERNERS

Deal Involving a Sum Of \$700,000 May Be Closed Soon

With a view of buying the
Modoc mill, a party of eastern
capitalists arrived in Chilo-
quin Monday night and spent
Tuesday and Wednesday look-
ing over the properties of that
concern, owned and operated
for a brief time by the Mene-
fee interests of Portland.

According to Klamath lum-
bermen who know, the present
deal reported to be pending,
will run into approximately
three-quarters of a million
dollars. It is being engineered
by Jack Goldthwaite, former
owner of the Modoc properties,
which include besides the
mill and yards, several billion
feet of choice timber on the
Klamath reservation.

The party of visiting capital-
ists are F. Windler, J. R. Black,
and L. Chamberlain, all of New
York. L. H. Stauff and H. M.
Bohn of St. Louis are also with
the party. Assisting Goldth-
waite in the deal, according to
the report, is D. S. R. Walker
of Portland and H. Kingdon of
Eugene.

It is understood that Goldth-
waite's year of redemption
from the Menefee foreclosure
in 1924 has not run out. Con-
tingent upon their receiving
the money invested in the
properties to date, it is under-
stood the Menefees are per-
fectly agreeable to an early
sale of the big plant.

The Shevlin-Hixon company
at one time seriously consid-
ered buying the Modoc, to be
used in cutting up the Big
Marsh timber unit purchased
by that concern from the In-
dian service. The Modoc Lum-
ber company plant is one of
the largest saw milling opera-
tions in Klamath county, and
it is claimed to be especially
well favored with an abun-
dant of the best timber in the
county adjoining, local authori-
ties recall that the plant made
fabulous returns to its owner
during the war-time days of
rising timber prices.

The plant lay idle last year,
but has recently been started
up under Menefee manage-
ment. From a payroll stand-
point the Modoc has been called
the backbone of the town
of Chiloquin.

Thousand Cases of Liquor Are Stolen From Federal Vault

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—
Disappearance of 1,110 cases of se-
ized liquor from supposedly im-
penetrable vaults underneath the United
States sub-treasury and the cus-
toms house, was admitted today by
government agents when a deputy
marshal demanded it of Joseph
Barnard, custodian, on an order
from the court for destruction of
the contraband.

The liquor valued at \$50,000—
double that at bootlegger's prices—
disappeared after April 1, when
Samuel Rutter was succeeded as
prohibition director by Charles
Goff, according to a statement made
by Rutter.

WISCONSIN FAVORS 2.25 PER MADISON, Wis., April 22.—The Wisconsin senate late tonight adopt- ed a resolution providing a state wide referendum on the question of amending the Volstead act in fa- vor of 2.25 per cent beer.

Golf Club To Be 100 Strong In Membership

One hundred members, assuring
the establishment of a golf club near
Klamath Falls, will be signed up
today, according to local boosters
for the game, who met in the cham-
ber of commerce rooms last night.

Incorporation papers will be
drawn up today and forwarded to
the secretary of state, and the name
of the organization will be the
"Klamath Golf and Country club."
Four prospective sites for the club
are under consideration, but more
are not barred, according to the
leaders in the move, the four places
being located from three to nine
miles from town. The whole mem-
bership will have a voice in the final
choosing, according to the present
plans. For the first hundred sign-
ers of the club roll there are but
a half dozen needed, and local peo-
ple who are studying over the pos-
sibility of joining are requested to
make it snappy, according to R. E.
Wright, acting secretary.

New members announced last
night are: J. C. Boyle, Otto Lorenz,
Dr. E. D. Lamb, C. W. Eberlein, W.
D. Miller, E. H. Balsiger, H. R.
Perrin, W. H. McNeely, Ida B. Mom-
yer, Dr. H. S. Newsom, A. A. Bell-
man, Dr. G. H. Merryman, C. I.
Reckard, E. S. Veatch, H. N. Moe
and Will Baldwin.

Wild and Woolly Affair Is Elks Western Nights

The annual grand, wild and
woolly, Western Nights of the Klam-
ath Falls lodge of Elks will be
held from May 14 to 16th inclu-
sive according to lodge authorities,
and the Klamath public will again
have the opportunity on those
nights to buck the faro wheel, fan
tan, roulette, and crap games to
heart's content, first attending to
the trivial preliminary of exchang-
ing their spare silver for B. P. O.
E. "bull coin." Along with the
gambling games and amusements
of the forty-niner days staged in
the main floor of the Elks temple,
there will be a big public dance
in the lodge rooms up stairs.

C. H. Underwood will be general
chairman, and W. O. Smith and
Linn Nesmith will handle the prop-
aganda for the occasion.

EX-GRAVE DIGGER MARRIES MILLIONS

LONDON, April 22.—Over the
objections of his bride's family
and friends, a former assistant
grave digger has become the mas-
ter of a huge estate in Hertford-
shire.

William Whitmill, 34 years old
and ex-soldier who some years
before the war lived as an odd
job man laborer and assistant
grave digger, now is the husband
of the former Miss Mary Burchell-
Horne. The bride gave her age as
49 years. Her relatives protest-
ed vehemently when Miss
Burchell-Horne made known her
intention to marry beneath the
level of the prominent family into
which she was born. Her fortune
amounts to about \$500,000.

MAIL ROBBERY AT PRINEVILLE UNCOVERED BY BANK AT BEND

BEND, April 22.—A mail rob-
bery in Prineville became known
here today when it was learned
that one of the checks taken by
mail thieves had turned up Tuesday
at the First National bank in Red-
mond. The robbery has been sub-
ject of profound inquiry for a
month. The theft, according to in-
formation obtained from Prineville
and Redmond, consisted of the tak-
ing of a mail pouch from a truck
used in carrying mail from the
Prineville postoffice to the railroad
station.

After the pouch had been stolen,
the robber opened every letter in
search for money or valuable paper,
according to information from
sources other than postal officials.
After the robber had completed his
search for money, all the pieces
of mail and remnants of letters
were replaced in the pouch.
In an attempt to cover all traces
of the theft, the robber threw the
pillaged pouch into Crooked creek,
according to the information ob-
tained. This pouch and its ran-
sacked contents were later discov-
ered in the river.
Whether the mail pouch contain-
ed any considerable sum of money
or transferable paper has not been
ascertained, but it is said that when
the pouch was found Postmaster
John N. Williamson of Prineville
pleaded the torn letters together and
delivered them.

HILL LINES MAY PASS UP K. F. ON MAIN EXTENSION

Malin Tentative Southern Terminus and Opposition To Road's Entrance Here May Put K. F. on Spur

Unless Klamath Falls shows
a whole-hearted welcoming
disposition to the Hill lines of
the north, with regard to the
extension of the Oregon Trunk
southward from Bend, Klam-
ath Falls will find itself on a
spur of the extension line, in-
stead of the southern terminal.
Malin will be the southern ter-
minus of the extension line.
This was learned last night
from authentic sources.

Preparing for such a situa-
tion—namely, any concerted
hostile attitude by Klamath
Falls, to the entry of the Hill
lines into this city—engineer-
ing representatives of the Hill
lines returned several days ago
to Portland, after an exhaus-
tive inspection, and data-se-
curing tour of the timber coun-
try in the northeast and north
central portions of Klamath
country, and into the Malin
agricultural country.

That the Hill interests want
to come into Klamath Falls,
the metropolis of the Klamath
country, is not disputed, but
unless a favorable spirit is
demonstrated by Klamath
Falls the Hill lines will build
into Malin, using that point as
its southern terminus. Klam-
ath Falls will be on a spur
either from Malin, or from
Olene or east of Olene, and
not on the main extension line
at all.

The history of the Hill lines
in previous years has been that
of a continuous encouragement
to agriculture. Agriculture in
the offing, in the Klamath
country, is going to mean as
much to industry as does tim-
ber at the present time. Malin
is admittedly in the heart of
the choice agricultural section
of the Klamath country.

INCREASE IN BULGAR ARMY IS AUTHORIZED

PARIS, April 22.—The confer-
ence of ambassadors has authorized
Bulgaria to increase the national
militia by 7,000 men to cope with
alleged communist disorders within
the state.

Premier Zankoff had asked that
the Bulgarian military establish-
ment be increased by 10,000 men.