

# ALEXANDER MUST SERVE TEN YEARS

JUDGE BENSON IMPOSED SENTENCE TODAY

LEAVES FOR PENITENTIARY TOMORROW

Costs of the Trial Were Also Assessed Against the Prisoner by Judge Benson

For Killing Joe Powell, Tom Alexander must serve ten years in the State penitentiary and pay the costs of the suit. This was the sentence imposed on Alexander at 11:15 on Monday by Circuit Judge Benson. Anderson had nothing to say about the sentence except that he would not appeal the case.

The assessing of the costs of the suit on the defendant is provided for in the laws of the state, which prescribe that a man convicted of manslaughter will serve from one to fifteen years in the penitentiary, and be fined in any sum not exceeding \$5,000. In case a convict has property the costs of the suit or amount of the fine is taken upon judgment, but where a man does not have the money his sentence is not prolonged in default of payment.

In the custody of Sheriff Barnes, Alexander left on Tuesday morning for Salem, where he will begin his ten years of servitude.

JURYMEN OUT SIX HOURS IN THE ALEXANDER CASE

Following a deliberation of nearly six hours, the tallmen in the Alexander case returned to the Circuit courtroom at 5 o'clock a. m. Friday, with a verdict finding Thomas Alexander guilty of manslaughter for the killing of Joe Powell. The following jurors rendered the verdict: Levi McDonald, John Stindt, A. E. Crance, J. F. Sparks, W. H. Marcho, J. B. Cole, Chester Wilson, M. R. Anderson, H. E. Childers, H. E. Hansbury, C. E. Robertson and Fred Busting. During the first few ballots taken after the jury went out, four favored acquittal, four wanted a first degree verdict, while the other four was divided between second degree and manslaughter.

Nearly the whole of Thursday afternoon's session was taken up by the arguments of District attorney Kuykendall for the state and John Irwin. Both attorneys made eloquent appeals for their respective sides of the question, and brought up portions of the testimony to substantiate their arguments. A special session of the court was called at 7:30 in the evening by Judge Benson for the purpose of getting the case to the jury as soon as possible. Long before the time set, the courtroom was crowded until standing room was a scarcity by those who wanted to hear the final arguments.

In behalf of Alexander, attorney H. H. Manning made an eloquent plea, dwelling to some length on the prisoner's record as a soldier in the Spanish-American War. Self defense, contended Manning, was recognized as a man's right long before a statute book was compiled, and he argued that the evidence that the shooting was done in self defense, and for that reason he was justified.

The prisoner came in for a scathing denunciation at the hands of Thomas Drake, who made the closing argument for the state, and with bitter irony, he assailed the defendant, declaring him to have had murder in his heart when he came upon the scene of the shooting.

The crime of which Alexander was convicted was the killing of Joe Powell in the Elite on the night of September 13. The two men had some trouble earlier in the evening, and Alexander was beaten by Powell, later in the evening, Alexander returned to the Elite, carrying a 22-calibre Winchester rifle. Powell rushed upon him, and as he closed in Alexander shot the bullet entering Powell's abdomen and causing his death the following day.

### Beauty as a Civic Asset

Paris, which knows how to charge travelers who are rich, and yet bring to itself those who wish to live pleasantly and economically, shows also how to maintain the most beautiful park in the world and yet have it a source of revenue rather than expense, says Franklin Clarke in the "Success Magazine." It costs \$142,000 yearly to maintain the Bois de Boulogne, a park of 1,530 acres. But it brings to the city treasury annually \$180,000 in rents and concessions. There are better ways than this one of making public revenue from a city people like to go to, or live in. "Excess condemnation" is one of these and it is spreading. It means taking somewhat more land than is required

for a park or public-building site, and allowing the community generally to receive the benefit of the increased value of abutting land.

VERNON MOTSCHENBACHER'S SHOWING REMARKABLE

Clarence Motschenbacher has received a letter from his brother, Vernon, who is attending the University of Oregon at Eugene, stating that he has just returned from the tryouts and had made the debating team. He says he will probably go to Stanford to debate that team.

Vernon Motschenbacher is one of the graduates of the Klamath County High School last year. He was a member of the debating team and showed marked ability. He is the only freshman and new man on the University team and must have made an exceptional showing.

SUPT. J. G. SWAN HONORED

IS ON BOARD OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL DEBATING LEAGUE

Was Selected From All the County School Superintendents in the State on Account of His Work

County Superintendent J. G. Swan has been elected a member of the executive committee of the Oregon High School Debating League. The by-laws of the organization provide that one county school superintendent shall be on the executive committee, and that Mr. Swan has been selected from all of the superintendents of the state for this important position, speaks well for his reputation among the Oregon educators. His ability first attracted attention in his successful organization and management of the Klamath County High school, and it was during his administration that graduates from this county were first received with full credit at the university. Since Mr. Swan has been in the office of county superintendent the schools of this county have been placed on a high plane, until now they are recognized as among the best in the state. Mr. Swan is an indefatigable worker in his chosen profession; and takes the lead in all movements, both state and local, for the improvement and betterment of educational facilities.

POLITICAL HISTORY OF OREGON TO BE RECORDED

University Professor Is to Collaborate With Many Noted Eastern Historians

Dr. Joseph Schafer, who has published several books and papers on the earlier phases of Oregon history, has just been invited to contribute an article on Oregon for the new Encyclopedia of American Government, about to be issued at New York by D. Appleton & Co. This work is under the editorship of Professor A. C. McLaughlin of Chicago and Professor A. B. Hart of Harvard. The article will summarize the earlier political history of the state and enlarge upon the things that are characteristic or new in the Oregon system of government as now operated.

BOTH ARMIES NEAR SAN IGNACIO; FIGHT EXPECTED

American Troops Camped at Border Line Will Endeavor to Preserve Neutrality

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 26.—More fighting is expected near San Ignacio, across the border from Fort Hancock. A company of American troops is encamped near the line to preserve neutrality. The insurgents who captured San Ignacio Sunday have withdrawn to the adjacent hills to prepare to receive a federal attack. The federals are massing in the neighborhood of Ignacio and Guadeloupe.

SCIENCE JURYMEN FAIL TO AGREE

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 26.—The jury in the case against Mrs. Laura Schenk returned at 2 o'clock this afternoon without a verdict. They were out twenty-four hours.

### In From Beet Farm

Charles J. McDonald and DeWitt Gibbons were in town Saturday from Stukel Bridge, where they are staying on the experiment sugar beet farm. They say that they expect to cultivate an exceptionally large crop of beets this summer.

### New Suit Filed

The Elgin City Banking company has commenced action against Summers & Kinney for money due on a note. The note in question, according to the complaint, was made for \$1,500 at Merrill in 1905, and the banking company ask for \$1,207.15 and interest, the part unpaid.

FRANK IRA ARRIVED SUNDAY

KLAMATH FALLS DELEGATE ON WAY TO WASHINGTON

is Jubilant Over the Way California Is Working For Her Share Of Appropriation

Our special delegate to Washington, Mr. Frank Ira White, left Sacramento on the overland train at 2:15 p. m. on Monday, and if not delayed en route will arrive in Washington on Sunday evening.

He writes a friend in a letter which bears the post mark of Blue Canyon on the Central Pacific railroad that he was treated with great courtesy in Sacramento and that the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, President and Secretary of the Chambers of Commerce, Senator Shanahan of the northern California Congressional District, and other influential people took deep and immediate interest in the propaganda for securing funds to push the Klamath interstate reclamation project to the earliest possible completion. Senator Shanahan called a meeting of the northern delegation of Senators and assemblymen at 2 o'clock on Monday, that they might be impressed with the substance and importance of the campaign. G. Glenn Andrews, secretary of the Sacramento Chambers of Commerce, who has already made three annual excursions to Klamath and hence knows much of the character of the Klamath country from personal observation, with important details supplied him by Mr. White was to appear at the Senator Shanahan meeting of the northern legislation to explain the facts in regard to the new interstate campaign.

As the overland was to leave at 2:15 Monday, Mr. White did not remain to attend Senator Shanahan's meeting but left satisfied that the legislature would not fail to back up the new propaganda. In this he was correct. The memorial adopted by the California Legislature reads as follows and shows that the salons of the Golden State were not slow to appreciate what her rights and responsibilities are with respect to the Klamath project:

Senate Joint Memorial Whereas:—It appears that California's contributions to the reclamation funds have been very great and that the State is entitled to a large share of the regular reclamation funds as provided by the Reclamation Act, and

Whereas:—The Klamath Project is among the most worthy in the United States and its early completion is desirable both to the sections to be developed through its construction and to the United States to secure the earliest possible return of the Construction Funds for use elsewhere, and

Whereas:—It appears that the unconstructed portions of the Klamath Project are almost equally divided between the States of California and Oregon, Therefore be it

Resolved:—That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be memorialized to use their earnest efforts to secure funds sufficient for the continuous construction of all approved units of the Klamath Project and that they endeavor to secure the co-operation of the Senators and Representatives from Oregon in securing the completion of the Klamath project without unnecessary delay or the elimination of any of its important details, since both states are equally interested in its construction. The secretary of state is hereby instructed to transmit, without delay, a copy of this memorial to each of the senators and representatives of the state of California in congress.

FRISCO-ORLEANS HEARING POSTPONED TILL MONDAY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The hearing of the delegates from San Francisco and New Orleans before the Senate Committee which was scheduled for today has been postponed until Monday, owing to illness of Governor Sanders of Louisiana, leader of the New Orleans fight.

The time each side will be allowed for argument has not been formally discussed and no decision has been reached in this matter.

### When You Get Discouraged

Try this experiment the very next time you get discouraged or think that you are a failure, that your work does not amount to much—turn about face, says Orison Sweet Marden in "Success Magazine." Resolve that you will go no further in that direction. Stop and face the other way, and go the other way.

Mrs. Jean B. Force and daughter, Mrs. W. R. Smith, have arrived here from Passaic, N. J., and they will live here with the former's son, Herman Force of the Warren Construction company.

IRRIGATION NEAR PORTLAND

WATER TO BE CANALLED FROM SANTIAM RIVER

Syndicate Purchases 4,000 Acres Near Salem for Experimental Purposes

PORTLAND, Jan. 27.—Although the rainfall of the Willamette Valley has always been considered ample for all purposes, come now the proposal to irrigate it. A syndicate has been formed at Portland and a tract of 4,000 acres near Salem will be watered by means of a canal from the Santiam River.

The land has been purchased, and work is now going forward on the irrigating canals. It is expected to have the canals and laterals completed in time for watering the coming season's crops.

It will be a surprise to some that a district where over forty-four inches of rainfall a year is experienced needs irrigation, but experts have decided that much larger crops will be produced if water is supplied during the height of the growing season, midsummer, which is a period of scant moisture. Alfalfa, forage crops for dairy cattle, root crops and fruits are found to produce greater yields as well as much better quality where water is supplied to the thirsty ground.

Irrigation in the Willamette Valley is much of an experiment, it is true, but those behind the project believe it offers a future for Western Oregon in vegetable growing and, in fact, all lines of intensive farming. The men behind the syndicate are prominent in Portland, and while they expect the project to make money, they also regard the venture in the light of missionary work, believing the whole valley will be greatly increased in fertility as the result.

EXPLOSION REPORTED ON GUNBOAT WHEELING

Rumor Has Not Yet Been Confirmed—Vessel Is Due at the Harbor of Guanatanamo

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—It is reported that there was an explosion on the gunboat Wheeling, en route to Guanatanamo, and several tugs and revenue cutters are held in readiness at Philadelphia to assist her. The vessel left here Saturday. She carries 144 men, and is loaded with ammunition.

The wireless stations have been ordered to locate her. The Wheeling was last reported as being 200 miles off Charleston, S. C. The naval collier Leonidas, which just arrived at Norfolk, said she sighted the Wheeling Tuesday, and that all was well at that time. The bureau of navigation discredits the Wheeling report. It asserts that the vessel's wireless apparatus is short ranged. The gunboat is due at Guanatanamo today.

### Mrs. Moore Entertains

In honor of Mrs. Foster of Portland who has been visiting her for several weeks, Mrs. Rufus Moore entertained about thirty friends Friday afternoon

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at her home, The Maples. Five hundred was the game of the afternoon, and the first prize, a handsome pair of sugar tongs, was awarded to Mrs. Charles Meldrum. A china doll baby was presented to Mrs. E. Gowan as a consolation prize. A portion of the afternoon was spent in sewing, and a dainty luncheon was served. Mrs. Moore's guests were:

Mesdames Voorheis, W. H. Helleman, C. Martin, C. F. Stone, E. E. Gowan, W. W. Baldwin, J. F. Goeller, E. B. Henry, Zim Baldwin, Frank Ward, C. P. Mason, Burge Mason, T. Hampton, Geo. T. Pratt, Geo. Baldwin, Chas. Meldrum, F. Ankeny, Chas. Moore, K. G. Cummings, Carey Ramsby, E. Soule, Don J. Zumwalt, W. O. Smith, B. St. Geo. Bishop, C. L. Roberts, H. F. Murdoch; Miss Maud Baldwin, Miss Rose Lakin, Miss Aggie Lee, Miss Stephens.

WHITE HEADS MINE WORKERS

DEFEATS LEWIS FOR ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENCY

Fight Between Two Extremely Bitter—Other Officials Were Again Elected

COLUMBUS, Jan. 26.—The tellers have officially reported that John P. White has defeated President Lewis for the presidency of the United Mine Workers of America.

White received 98,934 votes and Lewis 72,190. Secretary Treasurer Curry and Vice President Hayes were re-elected.

The Lewis-White contest was very bitter, and has attracted attention since the beginning of the convention.

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