

DEFENCE OF ROY MILLER

Several weeks since, Maverick stated that Roy Miller did not profit by the failure of the Bank of Sumpter; that he made no money out of the deal in any way. This statement was founded on conclusive evidence, which, as stated at the time, would not be admissible in a court of law. His indictment was for a technical crime, the issuance of a valueless check in alleged payment for the "building, fixtures and business."

A. P. Goss, from whom he bought, testified on the stand that he had not been defrauded in any way; that he knew the check which he received in payment could not be cashed. The inevitable inference from the testimony is that it was a "paper" deal; that Goss was anxious to unload, in the hope that Miller, aided by his reputation as a successful banker, and his personal popularity could pull the tottering institution through. Miller was, therefore, in reality merely acting as trustee. Goss' testimony eliminated all criminality from the transaction. This is not the mere belief of a newspaper; it is the opinion of lawyers who followed the case closely.

But here is an opinion of Maverick, on a subject in its own professional province, and on which it is capable

of forming an intelligent opinion; namely, that the majority of the newspaper accounts of this trial have been inspired by an influence antagonistic to Roy Miller, systematically and persistently inspired. The Democrat has been fair in its report, to the extent that it has stated only the truth; but has given few, if any of the facts brought out at the trial. The same can be said of the report published in the Oregonian and Journal. Several published accounts of the trial have been grossly maliciously false.

It was a technical crime, and Attorney Johns put up a strong, skillful defense, based largely on technical grounds, and all this talk one hears on the streets about suppressing evidence is the merest silly twaddle. Mr. Johns selected his weapons of defense wisely—he fought the devil with fire. This was not a parlor game.

The verdict of guilty was a surprise to everyone, because no one believed Roy Miller guilty. The prosecution, which was ably conducted, hoped only for a hung jury, and would have congratulated itself even on that outcome.

The defense is now asking for a new trial, on the ground that improper evidence was considered by the jury after it retired under instructions; evidence that it had no right to consider at all, and which was erroneously interpreted, a one-sided proposition that renders the trial and verdict an outrage on an innocent man.—Baker City Maverick.

An Oregon Cherry Tree.

One of the big cherry trees of Oregon is on the James Martin farm, a dozen miles south of Corvallis. Its circumference measurement 15 inches above the ground is 10 feet and 4 inches, giving the trunk a diameter of about 3 1/4 feet. The measurement is the body proper, and no advantage is taken of enlarged places made by limbs or roots. Where the several limbs put out from the trunk the circumference is much greater. The spread of the tree is 50 feet, and the height is proportionate. The annual yield of fruit is about 100 gallons. The variety is Black Tartarian, which was a popular cherry with the earlier Oregon orchardists. The tree was set out in 1868, or 37 years ago. In trunk and limb it is of healthful appearance, and gives no sign of its great age. This mammoth tree, either in blossom time or when laden with ripe fruit is worth journeying miles to see.—Corvallis Times.

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THE HOP GROWERS MEETING

Courad Krebs Organizing the Growers of the Willamette Valley

An interesting meeting of representative hop growers of this section was held in the Lewis & Clark hall in this city Tuesday afternoon, and preliminary steps were taken to form a hop growers' corporation.

The principal speaker was Conrad Krebs of Salem, who opened by stating that the purpose of the meeting was to ascertain whether the hop growers were to continue to have others transact their business for them, thereby feeding and enriching a number of speculators and middlemen as in the past. He said he had a plan that he wished to bring before the growers, to be approved or rejected as they saw fit. In brief, his plan was to form a corporation of the hop growers in Oregon. The state would be divided into districts, and representation on the board of directors would be based upon the acreage, each 1000 acres being entitled to one director. The directors

would meet in Salem and elect officers and incorporate under the laws of the state and elect officers. A sales committee will be appointed whose business it will be to keep posted on the market condition of the world and sell whenever ordered by a majority of the directors. The committee will have offices in Salem where samples of all the hops in the corporation are kept and graded by the best experts to be found, and the grower will get the market price for his particular grade, and the money from the sales will be distributed monthly pro rata among the growers. Mr. Krebs had spoken with many bankers in regard to growers who were compelled to borrow picking money and received the answer that stock in the corporation would be taken as collateral sooner than mortgages on individual lots. To pay the expenses of conducting the business of the corporation he proposed that a quarter of a cent per pound be deducted, which would be enough to cover all expenses. Said he believed in getting the best possible men for officers, exact large bonds and pay good wages. There would always be some who, for selfish reasons, would not go into a corporation, thinking that by remaining outside they would reap the benefit of the enterprise of their fellow growers without doing anything in return, but there will be no chance for these individuals, as the majority in the corporation will set the price, and no one need expect to get more for his hops than they can be bought for in the corporation.

J. H. Sanguinet was present and said he believed the time had come for the growers to get together, as concerted action was necessary to counteract the bearish movement of the short-sellers, if the growers were to receive a fair price for their crop this year. He also pointed out that united it would be easy for the growers to secure any needed legislation, such as a pure food law, to protect the public from harmful adulterations as well as the responsible brewer who used pure stuff.

F. G. Peter of this city said that he was a brewer by profession, and possessed considerable inside knowledge about the business. It was not only the growers that were robbed under the present system, but the brewers as well, and cited instances when hops were bought of the grower for 8 to 10 cents and sold to the brewer at from 20 to 25 cents per pound.

After some discussion a paper was drawn up by Mr. Krebs as follows: "We, the undersigned hop growers of the Aurora district, hereby agree to transfer our 1905 crop of hops to the Corporation of Hop Growers of the State of Oregon when it is formed, provided 60 per cent of the acreage of the state is secured for said corporation."

The paper was signed by a large number of the growers present and another meeting called for Saturday afternoon July 1, in this city, when delegates will be elected to go to Salem about the middle of July. In the meantime copies of the paper will be circulated among the growers for additional signatures.—Aurora Borealis.

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