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ARTHUR REPLIES TO JONES

Shows up the Much-Discussed Land Transaction That is Under Question.

[Following reply to M. L. Jones' speech at Woodburn by Tom Arthur was offered the Statesman for publication and refused.]

I see by the Sunday Statesman that M. L. Jones labored with the voters of Woodburn on Saturday evening trying to square himself with the voters of that neighborhood in relation to this 20-acre tract and other matters. He says this 20 acres had been deeded by the state to Thos. Cross by warranty deed and by warranty deed to him. If he would tell the truth about this land I would say nothing and the voters could judge for themselves, but as he died to defraud the government so will he, in my opinion, deceive the people of this county if they trust him with their property and business pertaining to the office he seeks. Now, Mr. Jones, you say that the state gave you a warranty deed to this twenty acres of land. Are you sure it was a deed of warranty? The state gives only quitclaim deeds for lands acquired as these were. If your guarantor gave you a warranty deed why did you not look to the state to perfect your title? Why did you convey over 2,000 acres of land (see Vol. of deeds 100 and 101, Marion county records) and then make application at the Oregon City land office to take this same twenty acres as government land? You swore at Oregon City that you were the owner of only about 120 acres. You made that statement under oath because the government will not allow an applicant to take a homestead who owns over 160 acres of land. That law was passed to give a poor man a home and not a man owning over 2,000 acres. If this conveyance to your wife was made in good faith why did she on the 23d day of January, 1902 (see Vol. 72, p. 312 records of deeds for Marion county) after this contest was ended convey the same land to you for a stated consideration of \$1? I leave the voters of this county to day judge who was the real owner of this 20 acres of land during this seven years and who was the real owner on the day you swore you owned only about 120 acres. M. L. Jones, I repeat, that you as well as myself thought that this 20 acre tract was government land. Every act of yours shows it, and shows the feeling and sympathy you had for a poor man who was trying to obtain a home of 20 acres which the government officers informed me I was entitled to take, when you were the real owner of over 2,000 acres. You state that I had no right to this land. In reply I say that I defeated you at Oregon City and also before the general land office at Washington. I leave the people to judge whether I had any right or not. You prate about Tilmon Ford. Did he tell you to execute this conveyance, if so, why does his name not appear as a witness or as the notary who took the acknowledgement of your deed to your wife? Did Tilmon Ford tell you it was customary for parties, before commencing litigation, to dispose of their property to their wives, or did you learn this in your study of the law? You pipe considerable about supreme judges, ex-governors, etc., and your statements are wholly unsupported, and in all probability there is no more truth in this than in your reference to Mr. Ford. You state that you had the support of your neighbors in your contest for this land. You know this to be false. Every neighbor of yours who loves right and justice supported me, and some of them loaned me money to carry on my contest against you. You make unsupported statements about men you claim are dishonest. If you are an honest man why did you conceal these facts about your record in your speech? I am giving matters of record. Did Tilmon Ford tell you to go to your brother, S. A. Jones, at Brooks, and execute this deed before him and have him and his son, Willie, witness your signature and your brother take the acknowledgement? Would you practice this kind of law if you were elected county judge? In your speech you read an affidavit from a disappointed, sore-headed machinery agent, who, with his relatives, are moving heaven and earth to elect you county judge. What for? Has this agent been promised anything? Are they better men than those you slander and vilify? One of your henchmen called on me a short time ago and requested me to support you, giving as a reason for your seeking this office that you desired to redeem yourself. This is

strange, indeed, for every act of an honest man carries its redeeming elements with it and it is wholly unnecessary to hold office in order to attain the blissful state you so much covet. You charge me with consorting with gamblers. This is the deceit you practice to draw the attention of the voters from your dishonest acts which I charge you with and which are matters of record. I have never played a game of cards in my life, and although I worked at different times for Bent Jones for years, I never heard of this card den you mention, and when you made that statement in your speech at Woodburn, you know you stated a wilful lie. Moreover, Bent Jones paid me good wages in cash for my labor while men who worked for you told me repeatedly that they had to take the greater part of their wages in trade at your store.

In conclusion let me say that President Roosevelt and his able assistants situated in the various states of our union are today making heroic efforts to maintain for us and to preserve for posterity the free republican institutions vouchsafed to us by our forefathers, but which are being undermined and absorbed by such men as M. L. Jones.

TOM ARTHUR.

COUNTY SYSTEM IS CLEAR

THE ROAD ACCOUNTS OF MARION COUNTY SHOW ALL THE VARIOUS DETAILS PLAINLY.

The Supervisor or Taxpayer Can See at a Glance the Amount Expended in Any District and What the Money Was Paid for in Every Case.

In order to correct a misapprehension that may prevail, the undersigned at the request of a number of taxpayers, have examined the keeping of the road accounts in the office of the county clerk.

We find the system to be clear and comprehensive so that any taxpayer or road supervisor from any district can ascertain, at once, the amount that has been expended in his district for any year beginning with 1905, to whom the money was paid and for what purpose, the segregations being as follows: labor, lumber, bridge, nails and wire, gravel, rock, special road work, repairs on tools and machinery, new machinery, blasting rock, rock crushing, powder, tiling, corduroy, surveying, guide boards, steam rolling, damage claims, supervisors' salary, and whether paid from the county tax or from the special road district tax.

Prior to the year 1905, those details were kept, but in the office of the county road master. Since that time they have been kept in the office of the county clerk, and this information can be obtained by simple inspection at any time by any person.

We find that under this system not one dollar of the county funds is disbursed by any member of the county court, but only upon warrants ordered and authorized in session of county commissioners' court.

We have also examined reports made by the county clerks of the different counties and find that the counties of Baker, Clatsop, Multnomah, Clatsop, Multnomah, Gilliam, Union, Polk, Wasco, Columbia, Lane, Wheeler, Clackamas and Marion, and the cities of Ashland and Pendleton, have purchased road machinery from Beall & Company of Portland. In no case has Marion county paid more for like machinery than any of these cities and counties, and in some cases the same machinery has been obtained at a lower price by Marion county.

J. H. ALBERT,
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W. I. STALEY.

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THE BUSHEY TAX PAYING LIE IS ALL RIGHT

To Whom It May Concern:

Having been requested to say whether or not W. M. Bushey paid any taxes for the years 1906 or 1907 I will say that tax receipt No. 9 for the year 1906 shows that he paid the

taxes on 224 acres of land and that tax receipt No. 2395 for the year 1907 shows that he paid tax on the same property for that year.

W. J. CULVER,
Sheriff and Tax Collector.

MAKE A CHANGE

Less politics and more business in county affairs. Vote for M. L. JONES for County Judge.

GOODE SISTERS CLEARED

(Continued from page one.)

"When," said Coffey, "she began clawing at my head," Jasper Goode then came up the stairs, continued Coffey, "hit me under the right eye, and said, 'You dirty low life puppy, and G—d— you,' and as he was pulled away shouted, 'I want another chance at him.' Somebody else shouted 'I want a chance at him.' Mrs. Rhodes broke my glasses and finding myself surrounded, I pushed Lulu off of the porch and was then jerked back into the church."

Rev. Roper was next called, but before he had taken his seat, McMahan flared up suddenly with "I will ask the court to speak to Jack Goode, here, and admonish him that he must use no obscene and insulting language to the witnesses under penalty of being found guilty of contempt of court." Judge Webster so admonished Goode.

Roper testified about the same as the others adding that he heard them sing out, as he opened the window "Don't let them out of the window."

A. H. Benton took the stand and was soon followed by a teacher named Schultz, who produced the braided shawl strap with a buckle, which he had taken from Lulu Goode.

H. A. Walters, the prosecuting witness, was called and gave the strongest quotations yet produced at the trial. "Jack Goode said," stated Walters, "The — — —, don't let them out of the window," and "Who hit you, Lulu, let me at him. The low down dirty curs, I'd like to get at them." Jack Goode sat in his chair in the court listening to this almost to the bursting point, when the climax came with Walter's statement, "Lulu Goode struck the pastor's wife full in the face." Jack Goode hit his knee and exclaimed, "The liar," He tried to get out of his chair but was restrained by Roy Phillips, who sat next to him.

Rev. J. F. Lewis and Mrs. Roper and her daughter, Stella, completed the state's list of witnesses.

The trial adjourned until evening, when a motion for a dismissal of the case was made by Kaiser on the ground that no evidence had been given showing that there had been any attempt to break up a religious meeting, the charge on which the Goodes were arrested. McMahan was given until this morning to look up authorities against this.

This Forenoon Session.

Another warm number was added to the session of the trial this morning. More of the factional fighting, physical and mental, which has been going on in the Free Methodist church was given airing. Reverend Coffey, while not openly called a liar by Attorney Wm. Kaiser, gave a pretty strong impression that way in his speech to the jury. Jack Goode came in for a very powerful roasting at the hands of Prosecuting Attorney McMahan, and many pleasantries, which kept the crowd, which was so dense that many had perched themselves on the windowsills, in an uproar. The lie was passed on Mrs. Roper by Lulu Goode, who stated candidly and decidedly that she had not struck her. The trial began sharply at 9 o'clock and continued until 12:15 p. m., when the case went to the jury, but during that time the audience, a great part, as a whole never moved from their places or seats, except at the instructions of Constable Johnson to make room for the crowd outside, which kept increasing.

Jack Goode was the first witness put on the stand. He stated that he was on his way to his grandmother's home from his shop, when happening to pass the church, he saw his sisters knocked off the front porch by Coffey and rushed to their assistance, but did not strike the minister, but merely grabbed him by the coat. McMahan, in cross-examination, tried to prove by Jack Goode that he had been in the church on three occasions and started a "rough-house," attempting to break up the meetings. Goode denied this and also

that he had had ever struck Rev. J. F. Lewis, while the later was in the pulpit. He stated that at the scuffle at the time of the horsewhipping, he had never said "Let me at him," but that he had heard somebody else cry out something to that effect.

Rev. Coffey was then re-called by McMahan, upon permission of the court, and testified in an effort to prove that the second meeting, in session at the time of the disturbance, was a religious one. He read from a book, which said that the meeting was to be opened in prayer.

W. T. Welch was called as the second witness for the defense and stated that he was attending the meeting when the ministers started for the door. He was coming up in the rear with a lantern and he stated that Coffey was throwing out his arms in such a manner, as he, Welch, who is 80 years old, "used to call 'fighting' when he was a boy."

Lulu Goode then took the stand and told her story, about, as follows: "My sister, Mrs. Nettie Rhodes, and I were washing the dishes at our house, when we got to talking about the way the ministers were mandering papa. I think it was I, then suggested that we should lick Mr. Roper, and we decided to do it, slipping out of the back door, after securing the strap. We first went to grandma and told her what we were going to do, but she told us not to do it and finally dissuaded us. We decided, though, to pass by the church on our way home and see who was there. We stopped a minute and decided to go in. I just got to the door, when brother Coffey came out, throwing his arms about and saying, 'If you want to fight, come on,' and struck me on the chest knocking me off the porch. I positively did not strike Mrs. Roper."

Roy Phillips, his wife, and one or two other witnesses were examined in close succession, and the case was then argued by Wm. Kaiser and W. E. Keyes, representing the defendants, and Attorney L. H. McMahan, appearing for the state.

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DR SUPERINTENDENT DENMAN

Parents' Meeting at Philomath Pays Him a High Tribute.

(Corvallis Times.)
A very pretty episode, and one of the kind that comes too infrequently in this unappreciative world, occurred at the Parents' meeting at Philomath last Saturday. A program of many interesting numbers, and day of extreme profit in the field of the common schools had been just completed. Many parents and teachers, including a large delegation of teachers and others from Corvallis were present. The meeting was the last that is to be held at Philomath under the direction of Superintendent George W. Denman, and just as adjournment was about to take place, Prof. White of the Philomath public schools moved Dr. J. R. N. Bell be requested to take the chair, instead of Mr. Denman, the regular presiding officer.

The fact that Mr. Denman had served the county for 12 years as county superintendent, and that energies had been faithfully and loyally devoted to his work with the result that great progress had been made was recounted, and a motion made that a vote of thanks be tendered Superintendent Denman. Dr. Bell in stating the question, paid a high tribute to the retiring superintendent, insisting that his example and effort had been effective in a general uplift of the schools, and asked for a rising vote. The audience arose en masse, and with a unanimity of feeling that made the occasion most impressive. The effect, unexpected and extraordinary, so moved Mr. Denman that he was unable to respond to what was a very impressive tribute to his work.

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