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HOSMER FOUND GUILTY OF LIBELING CONVENT

CASE SOON DECIDED BY LOCAL JURY

Only Four Minutes Required to Arrive at Verdict of Guilty as Charged.

OFFERS NO DEFENSE IN HIS OWN BEHALF

Sisters Declare Allegations Wholly False and "Escaped Nun" is Absent.

Just four minutes after being instructed by Judge Kelly yesterday evening, the jury in the case of J. E. Hosmer, of the Silverton Journal, accused of criminally libeling the Benedictine Convent at Mt. Angel, brought in a verdict of guilty as charged in the indictment. Hosmer offered no defense. Attorney Winslow sought to get the court to direct a verdict for the defendant, but was overruled. Attorneys Hill, Carson, Brown and Corliss opposed Winslow's motion. Winslow will take the case to the supreme court, he stated.

Hosmer published an affidavit he alleged was prepared by Miss Mary Lasenan, who claimed she was a nun who had "escaped" from the Mt. Angel convent. He also issued a pamphlet containing the same charges. Miss Lasenan had been in the convent from February 4, 1913 until June 26, 1913, and in her affidavit she made charges reflecting on the institution. Witnesses for the prosecution declared her charges to be false in every particular.

Mother Superior Testifies.

Sister Mary Agatha, mother superior, testified that there was no truth in the charges. She denied that Mary Lasenan had been kidnapped in the east and brought to the convent, declaring that the woman applied at the branch convent at Portland for admission to the institution. The witness testified that Mary Lasenan left the institution without obtaining permission about three months after she was admitted as a nun. She violated her pledge in leaving, said the mother superior, but the authorities made no effort to restrain her from going.

Says Black Veil Stolen.

Sister Rose explained that the woman had not been at the institution long enough to obtain a black veil—the time required being more than two years—but that a black veil disappeared about the same time she did and that a white one was found in the cemetery at the institution.

Sisters Adelaide, Agnes and Felicitas corroborated parts of the mother superior's statement.

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It was expected that the defense would produce Miss Lasenan, who has been referred to as the star witness in the case, but for some reason she was not in court.

Fruit and Cannery Men Oppose Law

Claim Eight-Hour Law Will Work Hardship on Them in Handling Staff in Busy Season.

A meeting of fruit growers and cannery men will be held in the auditorium of the promotion department quarters of the Salem Commercial club next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the eight-hour law. The meeting is to be held under the auspices of the Salem Fruit Union, and every one interested in the growing and handling of fruit in the county is urged to attend. The fruit men are complaining that under the eight-hour law their fruits must lie out during the night, owing to the fact that persons engaged to unload same in the canneries and warehouses must cease work exactly eight hours after commencing, and that many wagon loads of fruit are brought in at various times in the evening.

LIST OF VOTERS WHO HAVE REGISTERED HERE

The following voters registered at the office of the county clerk from June 3, 1913 to October 18, 1913:

Table with 3 columns: Party, County, Salem, Whole. Rows include Republican, Democrat, Prohibition, Socialist, Progressive, Independent, Refused, Miscellaneous, and Totals.

VICTIM OF HALLOWE'EN

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 1.—Miss Alice Manthey, aged 21, died today of injuries she received when an automobile in which she was a passenger was overturned by street obstructions placed by hallowe'en merry-makers. William Leach, fifteen, who was injured, is near death.

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ALLY OF ASSOCIATED PRESS IS IN SERIOUS TROUBLE IN ENGLAND

Boycott Resulting From Promise of Company to Color News Grows.

MAY RESULT SERIOUSLY

Not Improbable Reuters Will Be Forced to Divorce News and Advertising Business.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

London, Nov. 1.—The outlook seemed serious today for Reuters, the big English news and advertising agency which is the European ally of the Associated Press.

The newspapers plainly were indignant to change the hostile attitude which they adopted toward the agency as a result of its circular, subsequently withdrawn and repudiated but not until after many editors had seen it, suggesting to advertisers that the company could get advertising matter into the news columns of the press by virtue of its double role of advertising and news-gathering agent.

The Times published only five Reuters' dispatches, totaling 246 words, and the Mail four, totaling 366 words, in place of the dozens which they formerly used.

It has long been known that the concern's news department does not pay and that its revenue has been derived from its advertising business. It seemed likely today that the two would have to be completely divorced. There seemed also a probability that the agitation would become embarrassing for Reuters' continental allies.

Wrist Broken by Crank of Auto

John J. Roberts, Well Known Business Man, Meets With Bad Accident While Handling Machine.

John J. Roberts, the well known local business man now conducting "The Toggery," a clothing establishment on North Commercial street, had the misfortune to receive a broken wrist this morning while attempting to crank his automobile. The engine in the auto "backed fire" causing the crank to fly around in an opposite direction and striking the operator on the wrist. Mr. Roberts was attended by Drs. Clay and Robertson.

WILLAMETTE WINS 6 TO 3

At the end of the first half of the Oregon-Willamette game here this afternoon the score stood 3-0 in favor of Oregon. The gameness of the Willamette boys was a surprise to the visitors.

TALK ON INTEMPERANCE.

Rev. Tischer, of the Unitarian church corner of Chemeketa and Cottage Sts., will have for his subject tomorrow at 11 o'clock, "Intemperance—Humanity's Besetting Sin." Rev. Tischer will deal with the problem and evil of intemperance from a national view point and invites both wets and dries to hear him.

NEW TRIAL DENIED

A motion for a new trial in the case of Maggie May Ivy against E. C. Minton was overruled this morning by Judge Kelly. The plaintiff in this case was given a verdict against the defendant for \$250 and costs.

To Fourth ward voters: Vote for E. A. Erickson for the Short Term. Write his name in on the Second line.

Hennessy's Little Black Book Fails to Make Big Sensation

New York, Nov. 1.—Investigator John Hennessy's "little black book" was offered in evidence today at the inquiry District Attorney Whitman is conducting into Hennessy's corruption charges against Tammany men.

The record was wanted especially in connection with a statement it was said to contain from ex-State Senator Stephen J. Stillwell, now in Sing Sing prison under a conviction for official crookedness in the legislature. Stillwell was understood to have made accusations against various Tammanyites, but the "little black book" did not reveal any definite charges.

In his conversation with Stillwell it was clear that Hennessy was seeking information which would enable Sulzer successfully to combat the impeachment case against him, but Stillwell evidently was afraid to talk freely.

The strongest statement credited to him, in answer to Hennessy's question: "Do you mean you want a pardon before you make affidavit?" was: "I will give you the affidavit or anything, but I can't go before the grand jury. I will prevent the legislature from voting against the governor. I will put Murphy and Frawley in jail, but I must protect myself."

As a result of the injection of the Sulzer issue into the mayoralty campaign here, politicians today generally agreed that all chance has been lost of the election of Edward E. McCall, the Tammany candidate, and fusionists were predicting that John Purroy Mitchell, the fusion nominee, would win Tuesday by 50,000 plurality.

Self Defense is Plea Set up by a Man Who Killed Yale Varsity

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 1.—Self-defense is the plea set up today by Attorney Thomas Power, a prominent Alameda county politician, who last night shot and killed Charles Quinton, a deputy coroner, at Centerville, a suburb of Oakland.

Power charged Quinton with breaking up his home.

"It was my life or his," said Power today in the Alameda county jail. "If I had not killed him when I did, he would have slain me in my bed. I certainly was justified in my action. I believe my wife will take the stand in my behalf."

INDIANAPOLIS CAR SERVICE TIED UP AND FIGHTS NUMEROUS

Many Casualties Occur and More Than Three Score Are Arrested.

ARBITRATION IS REFUSED

Report Governor Has Ordered State Troops Held in Readiness to Take Hand in Strife.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Indianapolis, Nov. 1.—Not a wheel turned this afternoon on any local street car line. The service was paralyzed absolutely by a strike which began early today. The men demanded better pay and working conditions and the company refused even to arbitrate.

During the forenoon an effort was made to run a few cars. It was attended by fierce street fighting, many casualties and more than sixty arrests. Finally the company gave it up as a bad job. Two trainloads of strike-breakers were reported on their way from Chicago. They were expected to arrive tonight and when the cars are manned with them worst trouble is feared.

The street car employees quit work just after midnight and when Indianapolis turned out for its day's work, it did not know what had happened. It soon learned. Cars were few and far between and wherever they stopped a crowd of strike sympathizers quickly gathered jeering the passengers and trying to persuade or coerce the crews into leaving their posts.

As the day progressed the disorders grew worse. From pulling down trolley poles, the strike sympathizers passed to cutting the wires. Cars were stoned. Several were thrown from the tracks. Ten injured men were accounted for but the number who suffered comparatively slight hurts must have run into the scores. The police made dozens of arrests but without improving the situation.

It was reported that Governor Ralston had ordered state troops held in readiness.

WANT AID OF BOOSTER.

E. J. Canatsey, a former resident of Hutchinson, Kansas, but now a confirmed Salem booster, is in receipt of a letter from his old home, inviting him back to a big promotion meeting. Mr. Canatsey is ex-president of the Hutchinson Commercial club, and, while he is interested in the future success of that organization, yet he thinks there is no place like Salem.

Hon. Hiram Overton will address the women's meeting at the Christian church tomorrow at 3 p. m.

Teachers Favor University Fund

Marion County Educators Say Oregon Institution Is Entitled to Appropriation.

Before the adjournment of the Marion County Teachers' association, resolutions were adopted heartily endorsing the appropriation for buildings and repairs at the University of Oregon, which is to be voted on next Tuesday. The resolutions recite, among other things, that the university is and should be the head of our public school system, and whatever affects its welfare touches all the schools of the state and the new buildings are badly needed at the institution.

The resolutions adopted by the teachers express appreciation of the competent manner in which County Superintendent Smith conducted the institute, and extended thanks to the instructors and the teachers of the Salem schools. Confidence is expressed in State Superintendent Churchill.

Regret is expressed over the death of J. S. Graham.

ALBANY DRY DELEGATION CLAIMS SALOONS ARE NOT NECESSARY

Twenty-nine Albany citizens came here last evening to aid the prohibitionists in the local option campaign. The meeting was held at the armory and Mayor Steeves presided.

Mayor P. D. Gilbert, Postmaster Van Winkle, Rev. F. W. Emerson and several others talked and insisted that Albany had not afforded because it had become dry. On the other hand, they claimed that the absence of saloons has helped to build up the town.

The Albany bunch brought along a quartet, which furnished some good music for the occasion.

OLIVER GUILTY.

With his face the color of ashes and his hands convulsively clutching the arms of his chair, Willis Oliver yesterday heard the verdict "guilty as charged," as found by the jury chosen to determine whether or not the defendant had feloniously mistreated his 13-year-old step-daughter.

The jury at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon arrived at a verdict. Oliver will be sentenced next Monday morning by Judge Kelly.

TO OUR PATRONS

Owing to a break down in our press room, The Capital Journal is late this afternoon. The management apologizes, but accidents to newspaper machinery are bound to occur now and then, and we beg the kind indulgence of our patrons.

E. S. HAMMOND.

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We want to state that we are not candidates for councilman in the second ward.

MAX O. BUREN. WILLIAM STEUSLOFF. (Paid adv.)

Harvard Varsity Defeats Cornell and Brickley Stars

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 1.—The Harvard varsity eleven continued its brilliant work here today by defeating Cornell, 23 to 6. Two of the Harvard scores came in the first period and were due largely to the brilliant work of Brickley.

Harvard plowed through the Cornell defense easily, carrying the ball, a few minutes after the play opened, to within striking distance of Cornell's goal. Then Brickley sent the ball spinning over Cornell's goal with a well placed drop kick. Later Harvard intercepted a forward pass and, by a series of plunges, with Brickley making the big gain, carried the ball over the line for a touchdown. The Harvard full-back failed in his efforts to kick a goal.

The Weather

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon: Occasional rain west tonight and Sunday, rain east portion tonight or lay; variable winds, becoming southerly.

Yale Varsity is Outplayed From Start to Finish

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] New Haven, Conn., Nov. 1.—The Yale varsity eleven went down to defeat here today before the Colgate collegians by a score of 16 to 6.

Yale was outplayed from start to finish and its coaches were convinced that the team will have to be materially strengthened if it hopes to figure in the football championship race. The only excuse Yale had to offer was that several of its star players were out of the game with minor injuries.

FOREIGNERS OF CAPITAL IN DANGER

Feeling Strong Because of General Disruption of Business in Mexico

MANY PERSONS ARE STARVING IN CITY

Americans and Others Not in Such Imminent Peril for Several Years.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Washington, Nov. 1.—Feeling in Mexico City against foreigners in general and Americans in particular had reached a point of extreme danger today, according to advices received by the state department.

Mexicans of all classes are feeling the effect of the prolonged condition of chaos throughout their country to an extent probably hardly realized in the United States, it was stated. President Huerta is practically bankrupt. Only the provisional government's most pressing debts are paid. Business is absolutely prostrated. Merchants are going to the wall by the wholesale. The streets are filled with starving unemployed.

For all these things the people blame America.

Foreigners in the Mexican capital, today's advices said, have not been in such imminent danger at any time since Porfirio Diaz left. Even the diplomatic colony, it was added, is in a state of semi-panic.

TO FOURTH WARD VOTERS.

Editor Capital Journal: It is confessedly an unwise as well as ungracious thing to change servants when the old servants have been faithful and efficient. The same rule ought surely to apply with even greater force to public servants. The councilmen now serving our ward, Meers, Jones and Cummings, are now up for re-election. They have a record for zeal in the people's cause, having been advocates of the sewer bond issue, defenders of the people in matters of corporation franchises and advocates of economy in expenditures. No man can deny these facts, nor show where either of these men has ever betrayed the interests of his constituency. Why trade them off for untried men?

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