

TWENTY IN COURT IN NEWBERRY CASE

Prominent Men of Michigan Plead to Indictments for Election Fraud. Some Deny Charge and Others Plead Guilty.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 3.—Twenty defendants, many of them prominent in the official life of Michigan, appeared before Judge C. W. Sessions in federal court today to plead to indictments charging corruption, fraud and conspiracy in connection with the nomination and election of Truman H. Newberry, United States senator from Michigan.

With one exception, the defendants, who include a prominent clergyman, either stood mute or pleaded not guilty and were released on \$1,000 bond.

Willie V. Capron, of Frankfort, Mich., pleaded guilty to three of six counts dealing with activities in the primary campaign. Others of statewide prominence who appeared for arraignment included:

State Senators Charles J. Deland, of Jackson, and William M. Connelly, Spring Lake; Thos. Bigger, a former state senator, now boxing commissioner; John W. Dunn, of Standish, for twenty years judge of the Arenac county probate court; Earl J. Davis, a leading attorney of Saginaw; Albert H. Berger, a Benton Harbor manufacturer; Rev. John B. Hewlet, of Flint; James Deevey, Antrim county clerk; Timothy Ryan, prominent Jackson business man, and William B. Wilson, an officer of the Grand Rapids Typographical Union.

Mr. O'Dell, who is a former state treasurer; requested an early trial and issued a statement denying charges that he had anything to do with the Newberry campaign. It is understood O'Dell was charged with urging James W. Helme, former dairy and food commissioner, to enter the primary race against Henry Ford, presumably for the purpose of splitting the Democratic ranks. In his statement O'Dell declares he did suggest that Helme seek the nomination but without intention of aiding the Newberry campaign. Helme has also declared in a statement that his candidacy was not for the purpose of aiding Newberry, but to give the people a choice of candidates as between the money barons and a real representative of the people.

TEACHERS TO MEET.

County Teachers Association to Hold Regular Monthly Meeting Saturday. The Laurens County Teachers' Association will hold its regular monthly meeting in the auditorium of the Laurens Graded School on Saturday, December 13th at 10:30 A. M. The business session will be followed with addresses by Dr. J. L. Mann, Superintendent of the Greenville schools, and Prof. J. A. Stoddard, State High School Inspector. Mrs. H. K. Alken and Miss Hattie Gray will render musical selections.

After this part of the program, departmental discussions will be held in the different classrooms. The high school teachers will discuss "Discipline" in the high school, led by

Supt. A. C. Daniel of the Clinton schools; the intermediate grade teachers will discuss "Some Practical Problems in the Teaching of Arithmetic," led by Miss Minnie Wallace of the Trinity-Ridge school; the teachers of the Primary Grades will be led by Miss Annie Clardy, of the Laurens Mill school, and will discuss "What Subjects Should be Left Out of the Curriculum in the Primary Grades."

The teachers of the Laurens City school will serve luncheon at 1 P. M. Teachers, trustees and patrons of the schools are cordially invited to be present.

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