

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1927.

Murder Charge Against Floyd Hall Dismissed

SACRAMENTO, April 14. — (By United Press).—Floyd Hall, South-ful gunman, and partner of the late Joe Tanko in the Tanko-Hall career of banditry in 1925, will not face his fourth trial for the murder of H. J. Litzberg, aged Sacramento merchant, on April 18, 1926.

The case came to a sudden end in superior court here today when Judge J. R. Hughes accepted a motion by District Attorney Nell McAllister that the indictment against Hall and Tanko be dismissed. It would be impossible to secure the death penalty, McAllister declared.

The only remaining possibility by which Hall might be hanged for the crime would be through trial and conviction of a holdup in Nevada county, authorities said. That would result in a death sentence, as Hall was a fugitive murder convict at the time of the alleged robbery.

Mt. Moriah Lodge Gives Banquet

Mt. Moriah Encampment, I. O. O. F., held a get-together banquet last evening at 6:30 o'clock at the San Pablo hall. Following the banquet the regular business meeting was held.

Plans were discussed for another get-together banquet, which will be held May 12. H. W. Cilley was appointed chairman of the committee in charge, with the following brothers to assist him: Schmoeckel, Danner, G. E. Hansen, Scow and Marshall.

NAPA INDIAN TRIBE GIVEN SONOMA HOME

Pomo Indians, Remnants Of Once Powerful Tribe, To Have Reservation

SANTA ROSA, April 14.—(United Press).—A 50-acre rancheria has been bought by the United States government as a reservation for the Pomo Indians, fast-fading remnant of a once powerful tribe in Napa, Lake and Sonoma counties.

The tract, situated in Alexander valley, west of Calistoga, was bought through Mrs. Walter Leroux of Alexander valley, who has devoted a lifetime to the welfare of California Indians. She is secretary of the Indian welfare department of the California Federation of Women's Club.

About 70 Indians, including chiefs, braves, squaws and papooses will occupy the rancheria. Now that the reservation has been obtained, Mrs. Leroux is working for federal aid in erecting homes for aged and helpless Indians. She hopes to provide for them a tank and water system to pipe water to their homes, a community bath house and tribal gathering places, playgrounds and athletic field.



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