

# 8 OF ROBERTSON JURORS CHOSEN

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**Rigid Examination Given Men  
Who Will Pass On Guilt or  
Innocence of Man.**

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**SPECIAL VENIRE OF 20  
TALESMEN IS ORDERED**

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**Second Trial of Railroad Man  
Charged With Theft of Cop-  
per Anodes Is Begun.**

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Eight of the 12 jurors who will pass on the guilt or innocence of George K. Robertson now on trial for the second time since the January term of the district court opened, had been selected in Judge Fesler's division at the hour of adjournment yesterday. Because the first jury which failed to agree had been selected from the regular January venire, and a number of other talesmen were examined but excused from service, the court ordered a special venire of 20 talesmen from which a majority of the jurors already chosen were selected.

Considering the somewhat rigid examination which is being made as to the qualification of each juror accepted, good progress was made yesterday, and it is expected that the four other members of the panel will be selected before the court recesses at noon today.

## **Asked About Prejudice.**

In view of the fact that Zigmund Zalk, jointly indicted with Robertson and Joseph Regall for the theft of \$3,000 worth of copper anodes from a Northern Pacific freight car Nov. 5, 1913, has made a confession, and will again be called as the state's star witness, each juror before being sworn is questioned by County Attorney Greene as to his views on the testimony of an accomplice. Whether any juror holds any prejudice against the Jewish race, to which Zalk belongs, also is one of the interrogatories of the state.

The eight jurors already accepted and sworn are: William Barney, E. J. Bardwell, M. B. Maheson, H. H. Dinham, Hugh F. Allen, M. M. Lewis, John T. Dennis, and J. A. Hampton. The prosecution is being conducted by County Attorney Greene and Attorney John H. Norton appears for the defendant.