

EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$5000 IS CHARGED

Warrant Out for H. T. Booth, General Agent of Pacific Mutual Life.

DETECTIVES' SEARCH VAIN

Accused Man Believed to Be in Hiding—He is Alleged to Have Taken Premiums Paid by the Policyholders.

Alleging a shortage of approximately \$5000 in his accounts, the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company yesterday caused to be issued a warrant for the arrest of H. T. Booth, general agent for the company in Oregon from last January until the first of August. Investigation having developed this sensational state of affairs, the warrant was issued by Deputy District Attorney Adams shortly after the noon hour yesterday, and was placed in the hands of Captain of Detectives Bruin for service. Search of the city during the afternoon and up to late last night failed to locate Booth and the effort to find him will be resumed this morning.

Felony Embezzlement Charged.

In the complaint issued yesterday by Assistant District Attorney Adams, Booth is charged with felony embezzlement, the sum stated being \$7500. This amount and the additional \$2500, for which suit is to be filed this morning, are said to represent collections made for the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company by Booth while he was acting as general agent for Oregon.

"While he was general agent for our company for the state of Oregon, Booth collected these sums of money on policies and simply appropriated the money to himself. Instead of turning it into the company," said General Manager Davis last night. "We will, therefore, prosecute him for the amount named in the complaint filed and will bring civil suit for \$10000 additional in the United States Court tomorrow."

A peculiar feature of the case is the inability of the police detectives to locate Booth, who is widely known about the city and throughout the entire state. That he is in hiding seems certain, it is stated at headquarters, but it is believed that he will be found before tonight. He formerly lived in Baker City and it is thought probable he may be there now. It is not certain, however, and to add to the strange situation, Lawyer A. King Wilson put in an appearance in the Municipal Court late yesterday afternoon and declared that he wished to have Booth arrested for Booth, whom he said he was representing. The attorney said he would produce his client this morning.

Clerk of the Municipal Court Frank Hennessey fixed the bail at \$2000 cash, or double the amount paper bonds, and Lawyer Wilson said he would arrange for two men to qualify in an amount sufficient to release Booth immediately upon the latter's arrest. It is possible, the police state, that Booth will be surrendered by Mr. Wilson this morning.

Booth Cannot Be Found.

Having received the warrant for Booth's arrest, the police at once set about to arrest him, but after many hours of continued search throughout the city in his usual haunts, they met with no success, and at 10 o'clock the warrant was returned to police headquarters. This morning the effort to make the arrest will be resumed.

The discovery of the alleged \$5000 shortage is next in magnitude and sensational features to the case of embezzlement from the Portland Gas Company, when Bernard O. Veluth stole thousands of dollars from the concern, for which crime he is now serving time in the penitentiary at Salem.

Being in full charge of the affairs of the Pacific Mutual Company in Oregon, ample opportunity was afforded Booth to make misappropriation of funds. What defense he will set up is unknown, as no statement was accurate from his attorney last night, but that he intends to fight the case hard is evident. It is said, from the fact that Lawyer Wilson appeared on the scene so quickly yesterday afternoon to prepare the bond for his client's release in case of arrest.

According to General Manager Davis, Booth had charge of the Oregon agents from January 1 until August 1, with headquarters in the Fenton building, this city. At that time he was deemed an expert and was placed on the books of the office here. Immediately, it is said, startling discoveries were made in his accounts, and continued scrutiny revealed a shortage now estimated at about \$5000.

Booth worked for the Pacific Mutual Company as soliciting agent prior to his appointment to the very responsible position of general agent for Oregon, and lived at Baker City. Upon his promotion he removed to Portland, where he has since resided.

At the Theaters

What the Press Agents Say.

KENDALL AT THE HELIX

In "Swell Elegant Jones" Tonight and Tomorrow.

Tonight and tomorrow night at the Helix Theater, Fourteenth and Washington streets, the popular American comedian, Ezra Kendall and his excellent supporting company, will present his latest comedy success, "Swell Elegant Jones." Tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon a special performance will be given. Seats are now selling at the box office of the Helix Theater, and engagement. Mr. Kendall's engagement began last night and was witnessed by a crowded house.

"The Second in Command."

In an intensely interesting and almost technically perfect military drama, the talented Stockwell-MacGregor Company is giving the patrons of the Marquam Grand one of the most enjoyable treats of its brief engagement here. "The Second in Command" is a strong play, in which the cable and love intrigues of British army life are interwoven with a telling effect. With the two leading parts—the "Colonel" and the "Major"—in the hands of such capable people as Edward Emery and Franklin Underwood, there is little to be desired. The regular Saturday matinee will be given tomorrow.

"The Girl From Albany."

There has never been a more successful

play seen here than is offered by the Allen Company at the Lyric this week. "The Girl From Albany" fills the bill completely. No man, woman or child who likes the theater can afford to miss this rattling farce-comedy. Verna Felton and her associates certainly get all out of it that is possible, no not delay a single day longer, but tonight or you will be sorry. It is worth all your while.

"The Tie That Binds."

There are more women than men at the Star Theater this week, for the reason that the attraction appeals in a particular manner to the fair sex. "The Tie That Binds" is a play which deals with the heart and home. It shows how divorce can be prevented and a broken home repaired. "The Tie That Binds" is one of the best of the Hal Reid dramas, and Mr. Reid has never had a better cast for a play than "The Tie That Binds" will hold the boards until Sunday night. There will be matinee tomorrow and Sunday, seats can be reserved by telephoning to the box office, if calling in person is not convenient.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

"The Carnival of Love."

Back into the realm of Comus, in which it shone so lustriously two weeks ago in "Arise, You a Mason," the Stockwell-MacGregor Company will delve for the final time of this local engagement at the Marquam Grand, beginning next Monday night. "The Carnival of Love" is a piece of larger scale for waded and riveted buttons on the waistcoats of the men, and breathing-time between laughs for the women. It is a rip-roaring farce-comedy that moves along with a rush and whirl, strenuous enough to satisfy the most exacting and blasé theater-goer. It will be the black coffee and cigars of the Stockwell-MacGregor Company languet to which Marquam habitués have been treated through so many inviting courses during the past several weeks.

"A Daughter of the South."

Next Sunday afternoon, the French Stock Company opens at the Star Theater. The opening bill will be "A Daughter of the South," given for the first time by any stock company. It is a beautiful Southern melody in four acts by Justin Adams, and will prove well worth seeing. The opening of the French Company will mark a new era for popular pre-war stock companies in Portland, for Mr. French promises the Portland public stage productions never before seen for the money. Don't forget the opening, Sunday matinee.

"That Girl From Texas."

The announcement that the Allen Stock Company will produce another new play at the Lyric next week will be hailed with joy by local patrons of the theater. "The Girl From Texas" has not previously been produced here, and there is much curiosity to see what it is like, as its reputation has preceded it from the East. It will be a play that all will like to go and see. Monday night. You are sure to be delighted.

Famous Tenor Coming.

The famous tenor, Cecconi, who has pleased thousands of Americans in the larger cities, will begin an engagement at the Oaks Sunday, in conjunction with Chiffarelli's Italian Band, which is now playing there. The band is making highly favorable impression on patrons of the park, and the new tenor will be a popular acquisition.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS

Acts Which Are Good.

There is not an act on the programme at the Grand this week which is not up to the standard insisted on by the management. There are several especially important features, such as "How the Fix Fixed It," "The Frenchman," and "The Comedy Four." These, and several other comedians and specialty artists, compose a programme which is distinctly in line of "advanced" vaudeville, such as is now attracting so much attention in the East. This all-star bill will continue until Sunday evening. The night performances begin at 7:45 and 9:20 in Summer.

Feature Acts at Pantages.

Pantages has chosen a drawing card for the feature acts, as is shown by the steadily increasing popularity of the New York comedienne, Fanny Brice, and a jolly set of fellows, with their contagious fun and their lively songs. The little play, "The Put-Down," is a new feature, and the Great Pool, the rubber man, continues to astonish all with his wonderful contortions. The V. G. German comedians, have a good parody on popular songs. A number of other good acts complete the bill.

FRIDAY BARGAIN DAY

At Le Palais Royal, Suits, skirts, waists, underwear, hosiery, etc. 375 Washington street.

Harriman Offices Prepare to Move.

The Harriman officials in the Worcester building are very busy this week in packing their effects and preparing to move to the new Wells-Fargo building, where the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific offices will hereafter occupy the upper seven floors. It is expected the actual transfer of officials to the new offices will take place Saturday of next week.

First Vice-President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs

MRS. PHILIP N. MOORE, of St. Louis, who arrived in Portland last night and is registered at the Portland, is the first vice-president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Moore's visit has been anticipated with interest by the members of the Portland Woman's Club, and she will be a guest at a reception from 3 to 5 o'clock Saturday at the residence of Mrs. P. J. Mann, 411 Third street, when the members will have given an opportunity to meet the distinguished visitor.

Mrs. Moore was born in Rockford, Ill., and was educated at Vassar College, at which institution she pursued a full mathematical and scientific course, and from which she was graduated in 1873. From 1873 to 1880 she traveled and studied abroad, spending the years in Germany, Austria, Italy, France, Switzerland, Holland, Belgium and England. Since her marriage she has resided in Colorado, Kentucky and Missouri.

During these years she has traveled extensively in the United States, Canada and Mexico. She has been connected with and actively interested in the St. Louis Training School for Nurses, and is a member of the board of directors of the President Association and chairman of their district nurse work from its inception. She is vice-president of its pure milk commission and also of the St. Louis School of Philanthropy.

With the Wednesday Club she has been connected as a charter member, having served as president and director from 1882 to 1886. She was president of the State Federation from 1903 to 1905, and is now vice-president of the General Federation.

Intensely interested in the musical growth of the city, she assisted in the formation of the Musical Club, which brings to St. Louis the very best artists in every line, and at the same time has been devoted to the larger musical organization, the Choral-Symphony Society, of which she is an officer.

She holds all educational influences of greatest importance. Is president of the National Collegiate Alumnae Association and closely connected with the work of the St. Louis branch, and is one of the three alumnae trustees of Vassar College.

She was appointed by the board of lady managers of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition a member of the superior jury, in which international jury of awards, for the first time, the right of membership was given to a representative of women.

A woman of liberal culture and extensive information, she has wielded large influence in various spheres of woman's work, and is especially well

IMBUED WITH HOPE

Local Operators Far From Discouraged Over Situation.

SAY WIRES ARE TIED UP

Companies, on the Other Hand, Declare Normal Conditions Are Being Restored as Rapidly as Could Be Expected.

There was nothing in the countenances of the little group of telegraph operators gathered in the strike headquarters at the Eamond Hotel last night that would indicate discouragement over the situation. They discussed with earnestness various phases of the progress of the strike. They say:

"We have the wires tied up all over the country in spite of reports to the contrary. Why, if a man puts a message on the wire, say, at Chicago for a Coast point it is more than likely to go up into the air before fairly getting under way. He has no way to find out whether it got started, even, or not."

"We have daily reports from the chief officers in the East and letters in every mail and can say that Portland seems to have a better service today than any place in the country, and you know what we have here. The latest we have from Chicago is the dispatch received this evening stating that out of the 1200 operators in that city we have not lost a man through desertion."

"We also hear that a strike has taken effect among the strikebreakers in that city. It seems that the amount of no distinction between first-class operators and novices in the matter of pay and the few good men at work are 'kicking' and threaten to leave their keys if a scale is not adjusted to their way of looking at the situation."

"Another satisfactory condition is the loyalty displayed by our men in breaking in on messages until it is practically impossible for a dispatch to come through without long delay and interruptions. At the telegraph offices the report is given out that these interruptions occur. We are in position to keep tabs on the amount of business being handled by the companies, but how this is done of course we do not care to give out."

"This matter of having messages interrupted was verified at the offices of the companies, one manager saying that the interruptions were of such a character as to disprove the claim of the strikers that the strike is being conducted in a clean manner. He said that some of the interruptions were of a sort making the breakers subject to the laws against using obscene language, and that besides it is a felony to interrupt messages."

The Associated Press manager says its pony service is practically normal, and the regular quota is being met in a most improving manner. Brokers' full reports came through yesterday, and from that source it was reported that the President had the matter of interference under consideration. No reference was made to Governor Chamberlain's message to the President.

The mass meeting announced to be held next Sunday under the auspices of the strikers has been declared off, the officers saying this action was taken for two reasons—because no good was likely to come from public agitation and that the date being Sunday the organization did not care to go on record as favoring meetings of that character on that day. The committee on a public dance received information that over 300 tickets had been sold during the day, it being the first day they were in the hands of canvassers.

PLANS FOR ITS REUNION

Oregon Press Association Will Meet at Astoria and Seaside.

The annual reunion of the Oregon Press Association will be held at Astoria and Seaside, August 30 and 31, and September 1 and 2. Pamphlets giving a partial programme in connection with the reunion and an outline of the route to be taken to the beach have been distributed throughout the state. It is expected that all those who attend will assemble in

SATURDAY SPECIALS

These "goodies" are made by our own bakers, candy and sausage-makers, under the most sanitary conditions and from the best materials possible to purchase.

We hold cleanliness and quality above all things at Dresser's—the products of our bakery, candy plant and meat market carry with them the reputation of the house. Among other Saturday specials are:

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- Regular 25c Dresser's Angel Cakes, each... 15c
- Regular 40c Dresser's "Pin-oché," lb. 30c
- Regular 40c Dresser's Cream Wafers, lb. 30c
- Dresser's Veal Sausage, 2 lbs. 25c

DRESSER'S

The Pure Food Emporium, Fifth and Stark; also Gearhart, Seaside and East Fifteenth and Broadway.

Portland Thursday, August 22, leaving Portland on the steamer Telegraph Friday morning for the daylight ride down the Columbia, arriving at Astoria at 1 P. M. At 2:30 P. M. a short business session will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in Astoria, and a reception in the same place at 8 P. M. Saturday morning the association will leave Astoria for Seaside over the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad, arriving at Seaside at 9:25 A. M. Business meetings will be held during the day at Hotel Moore, where headquarters will be established, and in the evening there will be a social Sunday.

Sunday morning the party will inspect the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia, leaving Seaside on the 6:45 train and returning to Hotel Moore for lunch. The association will be given a clam bake by Dan J. Moore, of Hotel Moore. At 7:00 o'clock Monday morning the association will leave for Astoria to take part in the opening of the regatta.

INDIAN TRIBAL WAR BEGINS

Anahuas Kill Old Santa Isabel Red, Who Refuses Wine.

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 21.—Joos Capistrano, an Indian 60 years old belonging to the Santa Isabel reservation, was attacked and killed near Julian Monday by three Indians of the Anahuas reservation. According to Capistrano's wife, the assailants, who were drunk, demanded wine from her husband. He refused and the men attacked him. He defended himself until one of the Indians seized an ax and struck him on the head. Capistrano died the next day.

The Indians who attacked him are under arrest and there is strong probability that the tribal feeling between the two reservations may result in further trouble.

SUNDAY!



The Future View FRUITS OF HEIDELBERG

SUNDAY we will have an exhibit of fruit at HEIDELBERG. We will show you apples of the following varieties: Gravensteins, Baldwin's, Thompson Kings, Bellflowers, Spitzenbergs, Duchess of Aldbury and "20-oz. Pippins." We will give away baskets of the finest prunes of many kinds.

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PREPARE FOR NEXT TRIALS

CLARENCE S. DARROW WILL DEFEND PETTIBONE.

Boise Newspaper Man Discusses Present Aspect of Famous Murder Cases Soon to Be Heard.

"Preparations are about all made for the coming trial of George A. Pettibone," said Gordon Crane, a Boise newspaper man yesterday. "There is no question but that he will be tried at the October term of the District Court, and there is no probability that the defense will ask for a change of venue. Clarence S. Darrow, of Chicago, will have charge of the defendant's side of the case, but having been decided by Pettibone himself. Immediately after the Hayward trial both Darrow and Attorney E. F. Richardson, of Denver, gave out that neither would consent to work with the other again and the question came up as to which would be retained. It was understood that Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation, and William D. Hayward, secretary, was each in favor of Darrow, and that most of the members of the executive board of the federation favored retaining Richardson. It was finally agreed to let Pettibone decide the matter and he promptly chose Darrow.

"It was then agreed that Richardson should manage the defense of Steve Adams, who is soon to be tried for the second time, on the charge of murdering Fred Tyler in the St. Joe River country in Shoshone County in 1904, but from Sheriff Bailey of that county, whom I met the other day, I learned that Adams had made a request that Darrow instead of Richardson be retained to defend him. Sheriff Bailey also stated that the state would, in the Adams trial, under provisions of a new law passed by the last Idaho legislature, move for a change of venue to Latah County. The Adams case comes to trial in September.

"The verdict of acquittal in the Hayward case came as a great surprise in Boise. It was generally predicted that there would be a disagreement. It is the general sentiment that Hayward was morally proven guilty, but there has

been little criticism of the verdict. The general opinion there is that the verdict was in accordance with the evidence and the court's instructions.

Idaho people generally seem to be in hearty sympathy with the state officials in their determination to go ahead with the trial of Pettibone and Moyer, but it is understood that the results of the Pettibone trial will determine whether or not Moyer will have to answer to the charge against him.

"For several weeks Mr. Pettibone has been a very sick man. He has suffered with stomach trouble and has been under the constant care of a physician, who states that the whole trouble is the result of lack of exercise. Hayward and Moyer each always took advantage of every opportunity to exercise in the jail-yard, but Pettibone has never seemed to care for walking, ball playing, pitching horseshoes, or other physical exercise and persistently refused to follow the advice of his physician.

"The two hours each day that he has been allowed for outdoor exercise have always been spent by him in sitting in some shady place on the grounds reading or in conversing with his wife. His particular hobby has been pyrography and that has not given him the exercise he needed to keep his health perfect while in jail. Lately, however, he has taken to exercise a little each day and has been gradually improving."

Knights of Khorassan Elect.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 22.—The order of Knights of Khorassan has selected Seattle as the place for the meeting in 1908. The following were elected officers: Imperial prince, Daniel Sumner, Charlotte, N. C.; kadi, Charles Standbury, Los Angeles; treasurer, Charles S. Frase, Los Angeles; chairman board trustees, Gus Meese, Spokane.

The Knights today installed the officers and held a grand drill with Moxxnas band this afternoon. There will be an illuminated parade tonight and the session will end tomorrow.

The Oath in Law Courts.

London Chronicle. Judge Paul Albers, of Breslau, Germany, has published an article on the subject of "The Oath," in which he takes a strong stand against the prevailing custom of administering an oath to persons who are called upon to testify in courts of justice. The writer tells of the changes which have been made in the manner of taking the oath and how, in

order to make this ceremony impressive, various methods had to be employed for Catholics, Protestants and Jews. All this, he contends, has no effect, because the good man tells the truth and the bad man tells what he likes, oath or no oath.

Probably the Most Interesting Pages of This Morning's Oregonian Are the Classified Pages

You will find there many little stories of human interest. Some one of your friends may want a servant. One of your husband's best friends may be advertising for a new boarding-house. Your neighbor may have lost her watch or her pet cat. The man who formerly lived across the street advises through the "Notice" column, not to trust his wife as he will not be responsible for her debts. Your milkman may want to sell one of his cows or that pretty bungalow down the street you admired so much is now advertised for sale, and so on through the hundred and one needs and desires of the human family.

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