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GUNNYSACK FULL OF MAIL

As Messenger Takes Pouches to Train Sleuth Takes Count, Finds Many Packages Missing and Catches Father of Ten.

SALEM, Or., March 19.—(Special.)— Hundreds of dollars' worth of merchan-dise and mail matter piled high in up-per rooms of the Federal building here bear testimony to one of the greatest wholesale postal robberies over per-petrated on the Pacific Coast by a sin-gle individual. While in value the well metter in

petrated on the Pacific Coast by a sin-site individual. While in value the mail matter is not so great, it is doubtful if any in-dividual has carried on for so long a period robberies of a single postoffice which have netted the amount of goods and msrchandles which William Mar-tin, substitute mail measenger at the Salem pestoffice, obtained in a well-planned and comprehensive system. Martin was arrested shortly before 6 o'clock this morning by Inspectors Harry Durand and Charles M. Perkins, of Portland, after he had made his last play at mail sacks which were intrust-ed to his care, and a gunnysack full of mail matter in his wagon, taken from incoming and outgoing sacks, give evidence which may convict him. Martin Father of Ten.

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Martin Father of Ten. Martin is the father of 10 children. Thomas Anderson, mail messenger for the Salem postoffice, had employed Martin as a sub-contractor for the past two years. Early in January of this year complaints began to be registered at the postoffice that mail packages were missing. These became so nu-merous and so insistent, more than 60 complaints being registered from the first of the year, that the postmaster became satisfied that somewhere in the postoffice a carefully-planned sys-tem of robbery was being carried out. Inasmuch as these packages would pass through many hands, nothing was said, but the two men, after conferring pass through many hands, horning was said, but the two men, after conferring with inspectors, began a system of es-plonage which resulted in Martin's ar-rest today. When they had become practically assured that Martin was

practically assured that Martin was the guilty individual a coup was pre-pared last night to get Martin in the dragnet this morning. Martin visited the depot to meet the 4:45 Southern Pacific train, securing the sucks of mail from the postoffice at 3:45. The inspectors had listed every article in the sack which Martin was to take to the train from the postof-fice.

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Catch Moves Clever. In the meantime, one of the inspec-tors hurrised to the depot and mounted the mail car as the train arrived. When Martin handed in the sack the inspec-tor and mail clerk went hurriedly through the sack and discovered a number of packages missing. When Martin was placed under arrest a gun-nysack full of mail was found in his wagon. As he had taken but com-paratively few articles from the out-going sack, it indicated that he was also tampering with the incoming mail. Sheriff Esch went to Watson't home and there it large packing cases were discovered packed full of a miscel-laneous assortment of articles, many probably gathered from shopilfting ex-additions with which his wife now ac-

gathered from the mains and indep probably gathered from shoplifting ex-peditions, with which his wife now ac-cuses Martin. Martin confessed to Sheriff Esch of his plan to rob the mails and of the robberles, but denied he had engaged in shoplifting in local

Martin was arrested here in 1904 charged with forgery. He was later sent to the Asylum.

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have had their flocks run as high as 187 eggs per hen. In the Tacoma contest there will be pens from all over the country. A cash prize of \$100 will be given for the pen of hens that lays the greatest number of eggs for the 12 months. A prize of \$15 will be given for the non-setting breed that lays the greatest number of eggs in its class, while a similar prize will be offered for the largest laying pen among the heavy or setting varie-ties. A prize of \$50 will be offered for the individual hen laying the greatest number of eggs. All the hens will be care for 200 pens of six birds each, the pens to contain one male.

DEATH CAUSE UNKNOWN

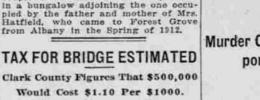
CORONER'S JURY PASSES ON FOREST GROVE MYSTERY.

Chemical Analysis of Mrs. Hatfield's Stomach Fails to Reveal Trace of Foreign Substance.

FOREST GROVE, March 19.—(Spe-cial)—We, the jury, find that de-ceased died from a cause unknown." Such was the verdict given today by the Coroner's jury which had been in-vestigating the death of Mrs. Myrtle Pense Hatfield, who died at her home in this city Friday evening about 10 o'clock under peculiar circumstances. Dr. F. A. Balley, of Hillsboro, who performed the autopsy, assisted by Dr. Yenney, of Portland, and Coroner Bar-rett, of the county seat, gave an ex-haustive report to the jury in which he stated that every portion of the body, and each particular organ, had been carefully examined, without the slightest indication being shown as to the cause of death. The stomach of the dead woman was placed under a chem-ical analysis by Professor Pernee, of Portland, and found perfectly norman. No trace of foreign substance, such as would cause death, was discovered. Dr. Balley could give no reason for the sudden collapse and death of Mrs Hat-field other than apnoae (cessation of respiration before the heart ceased to be al and stated that the contributory causes were unknown to him or the consulting experts. The case has proved puzzling in every respect, and taxed the knowledge of the best physicians of this and other cutts.

Mrs. Hatfleld was born in Newton, Ia., in 1875. She came to Oregon with her parents, who located in Albany, in 1899. She taught in the public schools

1839. She taught in the public schools for five years and after two years in the district schools of the rural sec-tions passed three years at Mount Ta-bor, resigning to accept a position with the Boys' and Giris' Ald Society. While connected with this organization she traveled throughout the state looking after neglected children, often under-going great hardship and privation in the pursuit of duty. On October 4, 1911, she was married to Charles Hatfield, a retired merchant of this city, and the couple lived here continuously since in a bungalow adjoining the one occu-pied by the father and mother of Mrs. Hatfield, who came to Forest Grove from Albany in the Spring of 1912.



VANCOUVER, Wash., March 19 .-(Special.)-Should Clark County vote to bond itself for \$500,000 to build its

share of the Pacific Highway Bridge, the would increase the taxes of the county but \$1.10 per \$1000 assessed valuation, on the present basis, but it is held that as soon as it was known definitely that the bridge is to be built Hearing May Be Given Friday or Saturday to Determine Mental Condition of Man Who Shot George Dodd October 31.

GRAY'S

Final Windup of the Great Removal Sale Which Ends April Fifteenth

Until that date our entire stock of Men's and Women's Wearing Apparel, including all New Spring Stock, will be included in this great sale, except contract goods.

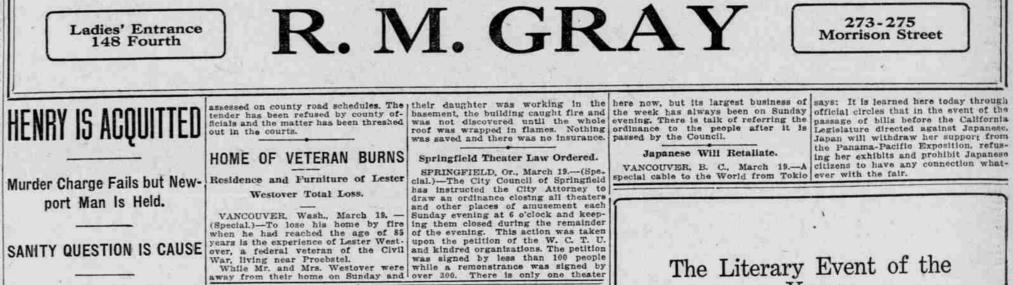
> Men's Medium-Weight Suits and **Overcoats at Following Reductions** \$20.00 Values at \$13.50 \$25.00 Values at \$16.50 \$30.00 Values at \$19.50 \$35.00 Values at \$24.50 \$40.00 Values at \$29.50

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Special Reductions Ladies' Suits and Coats

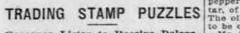
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Lots-Your	\$25.00 Values \$18.75	\$40.00 Values \$30.00
Choice \$12.50	\$30.00 Values \$22.50 \$35.00 Values \$26.50	\$45.00 Values \$33.75 \$50.00 Values \$37.50

Now is the opportune time to supply your apparel needs for the Easter time, and when you get the Gray kind of clothes you are assured of the best.-Take advantage of our splendid offerings.



TAX LEVY IS 8.41 MILLS Road Programme in Washington Re-sponsible for Increase.

2.50 mills for 1913. Innamuch as a mill levy in Washing-ton nets \$1,000,000 in taxes the added burden will be heavy. The tax commis-sion figures at leaving the military, common school and higher educational of First Grade.



EGGLAYING CONTEST PLAN

Tacoma Association Launches World-

Wide Hen Competition.

TACOMA, Wash., March 19 .- (Special.) by paralysis.

TACOMA, Wash, March 12.—(Special) A worldwide egg-laying contest is the project launched this week by the Ta-coma Foultry Association and the Com-mercial Club. The two organizations have named a joint committee, with Frank N. McCandless as chairman and Harry H. Collier as secretary, and plans are being made for 2v0 pens. Novem-ber 1 has been fixed as the starting date, and September 1 the last day for entries. The birds will be called in a

mined. Judge Kelly today requested District Attorney Hill to arrange for a hearing on this question and at that time alien-ists will examine Henry. Upon the re-sult of that hearing Judge Kelly will determine whether or not Henry will receive his liberty. This hearing prob-ably will take place Friday or Satur-day of this week.

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Baker Chinese Singer Dies.
BAKER. Or., March 19.—(Special).—
With the death of Wong Gee, the Baker concerts hand is mourning the loss of its Chinese soloist. During the Summer concerts the Oriental would sit on the bandstand and sing with the musicians. He was 55 years old and well known to everyone here. Death was caused by paralysis.
Seemed much pleased at the result of the trial. The prominence of the "unwritten law" in the case led many people to the belief that a straight verdict of acquiting would be returned, but the jurors apparently took the view that Henry's family troubles produced such stress on his mind that, in view of the stress on his mind that, in view of the stress to head the time of the shooting. It is rumored that none of the jurors desired to return a verdict of guility of murder, but that two or three of them

murder, but that two or three of them held out for a time for a verdict of manslaughter, one man insisting for nine hours on that verdict.

Finds Antidote for Blood Poison

Great Laboratory

Wonderful Results Now Being Accomplished by a Herbal Extract from the Swift Laboratory in Atlanta.



The ancient and destructive treatment to those who years ago had given up all so long in use for blood poison is now hope. It has been a revelation to hun-banished forever. No longer will mer-dreds of physicians who enthusiastically

banished förever. No longer will mer-banished förever. No longer will mer-tury, iodides and arsenic destroy human kind. The great Swift Laboratory at At. lanta is making a powerful herbal extract that is unquestionably one of the greatest medical discoveries of all times. This wonderful preparation is now on sale in nearly every drug store throughout the country under the name of S. S. Its action is marvelous. Some of the effects of blood polson cured are mucous patches in the most and throat; copper colored splotches, eczema, articular rheumatism, strofilous sores and ulcers, and every de-gree and stag: of blood polson. The fame ci S. S. S. has become almost worldwide. It has given perfect health

THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S

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Chapters of a Possible AUTOBIOGRAPHY

The first installment will appear on March 30 in The Oregonian and later installments every week.

These chapters will be published by special arrangement with The Outlook, of which Theodore Roosevelt is the Contributing Editor.

Now a private citizen, after thirty years of continuous public service, Mr. Roosevelt will devote himself to relating in familiar and intimate fashion the stirring events of his first halfcentury of life.

Few have had the privilege of meeting Mr. Roosevelt at close range. The millions who know him as speaker, soldier, public servant, will now have the opportunity to know him intimately. He has taken part in so much and has done so many things that what is now to be told is largely a matter of selection. He will relate serious and amusing incidents-will give sidelights on happenings that have interested and puzzled the Nation. He will write about events as he has known them personally-as a participant.

So much of the personal side of public events as may properly be made known at this time Mr. Roosevelt will relate in these papers. He will tell of the Standard Oil and Sugar Trust prosecutions; of the voyage of the battle fleet around the world; of the creation of the Interstate Commerce Commission; of the Panama Canal; and of many other historical events in which he had so large a part. He will deal not only with events, but with the men who made the events.

To Begin March 30 in

