

CRACK SAFE AND FLY

Burglars' Explosions Do Not Awaken Forest Grove.

BANK LOSES \$5350 IN GOLD

When the Bookkeeper Arrives in the Morning He Finds the Safe Wrecked and the Money Missing.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The Farmers' & Merchants' Bank of this place was entered by burglars last night.

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PHONE USED IN ROUND-UP

SNOW CATCHES SOME GRANT COUNTY STOCKMEN NAPPING.

Herds in the Mountains Hurried to Lower Grounds as Fast as Possible.

JOHN DAY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—For more than a week the snow storm has continued here, and more snow has fallen than for many years past at this season.

Good herds in the mountains when the cold wave came. Much rapid driving together with the natural drift of cattle to the lower hills, brought most of the stock in safety to some grower's feeding ground.

The telephone was also brought into frequent requisition, and by means of it the work of rounding up systematized.

NO DELAY ON KLAMATH PROJECT

Bids Soon to Be Called For Two More Sections of Ditch.

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Unofficial announcement comes from the officials of the Reclamation Service here that the Government is not going to cause any delay in completing the great irrigation project for Klamath basin.

A few weeks ago it thought, and, in fact, announced unofficially, that the Government was not going to push work on any of the Klamath projects very rapidly.

These sections of the irrigation canals leave the end of the first section at the Parish place, nearly nine miles south of Klamath Falls.

One of them is to call for bids for the ditch to the L. Stovey place, only a short distance north of White Lake City.

The other will run to the Anderson place, near Oleno, near Eugene, and will cover a distance of about 25 miles combined length.

No specification have yet been submitted to Washington for these two second sections, but it is announced that the order has come from the department to prepare these and secure rights of way at once.

EXPRESS TRIP IS SENTENCED

Young Redner at Pendleton Confesses His Guilt.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Boyd Redner, the young express clerk who stole a package containing \$1000 from the office of the Pacific Express Company a month ago, was brought to this city this afternoon, having been captured in Chicago.

Upon being arraigned before Judge Ellis this afternoon he confessed his guilt and received a sentence for three years in the penitentiary.

Steel Would Be State Treasurer.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—An opposition candidate to County Judge Thomas F. Ryan for the Republican nomination for State Treasurer has developed in the person of George A. Steel, also of this county.

Friends of that gentleman in this city today confirmed the report. Mr. Steel in this county will receive the support of some voters who opposed to Judge Ryan because of his conservative administration of county affairs during his incumbency as County Judge.

Collapsed From Overwork.

TACOMA, Dec. 2.—Professor David York, a prominent music teacher who came to Tacoma from Chicago about two years ago, became violently insane a few days ago, and was today committed by the court to the asylum at Steadman.

KILLED BY HIS OWN REVOLVER

R. O. Mead Drops His Weapon While Trapping on the Snake.

WEISER, Idaho, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Yesterday R. O. Mead, about 40 years of age, was found dead on the banks of the Snake River, about six miles below Mineral. He had evidently been dead several days, as he had not been seen since Monday.

set for coyote and wolves near the river bank, and had evidently gone to examine it. His revolver was lying on the ground beside him. It is supposed that the weapon had dropped from his pocket and exploded, as one of the chambers was empty. The bullet struck him in the right arm and passed completely through his body, coming out of his left side.

WELCOME WAITS AT WOODBURN Farmers' and Shippers' Congress to Be Well Entertained.

WOODBURN, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Elaborate arrangements are being made by the citizens of Woodburn and vicinity to receive and entertain the Farmers' and Shippers' Congress, under the auspices of the Willamette Valley Development League.

Arrangements were made by the following committees were appointed: Arrangements—Walter L. Toomey, Robert L. Gill, H. D. Brown, Grant Corby, J. W. Cook.

Entertainment—J. A. Levesque, Reception—H. L. Leach, J. M. Foreman, J. H. Settlemier, Walter L. Toomey, J. J. Hall, E. T. Johnson, Jacob Voorhees, F. L. Kenady, W. E. Townsend, Will Southern, Francis Peiler, Henry A. Bender, of Aurora, W. J. Clarke, of Gervais, G. W. Knight, of Hillsdale, Henry L. Sauts, of Butteville, John Scullard, of Champlin; John McKay, of St. Paul; George Carter, of Silverton, and Fred O. Hendon, of Mount Angel.

Having entered the vault, the burglars forced nitro-glycerin into the crack around the door of the safe, which is a large one of the latest Hall make, and the door was blown clear off the safe and thrown across the vault with such force that the lights in the vault doors were smashed. They then gathered up the cash with such care that less than \$100 has been found in the debris in clearing up. The money taken was largely in gold, with a small amount in currency, silver and subsidiary coin.

As soon as President Deely was called he notified the authorities, and within an hour Sheriff Connell, of Hillsboro, was on the ground, but the clues leading to the discovery of the perpetrators of the robbery were very scarce. There was scarcely a track in the dust on the floor to show their presence.

It is not known whether there was more than one explosion in blowing open the safe, but it is generally thought that there was but one. A few persons about town thought they heard one or more sounds like the firing of a gun in the night, but no one was led to get up to see what it meant.

The Farmers' & Merchants' Bank has a capital stock of \$25,000. It is headed by J. M. Dooley as president and cashier, and J. E. Loomis as vice-president. J. W. Shute, of Hillsboro, and Frank E. Dooley, of Portland, were the other principal stockholders. The bank is fully protected by insurance against burglars.

Unless extremely cold weather should set in, horses are in no danger from the deep snow, as it is loose, and they can easily paw to the grass lying below. Sheep, so far as learned, have been taken to the feeding grounds, where many of the most progressive and successful growers have excellent good, warm sheds adjoining their feeding grounds.

Stock of all kinds was sold down much closer than ordinarily, and hay is more plentiful, at least in the summer and autumn months, than has been for years. The only bad feature of the present outlook for the stock industry is the short, dry range, pastured too close in the summer and winter in the Fall growth by the cool, dry weather.

For these reasons, cattle in the lower hills and valleys are rather thin. Those ranging well back in the high mountains are in excellent condition.

The question of making equitable freight rates is one that requires long experience, wrote the secretary of the Missoula Chamber of Commerce, "and a keen and correct knowledge of commercial conditions, and it is a matter that cannot be trifled with. It is a question of the public interest, and the Government can ever successfully cope with it."

Regardless of this letter, an effort will be made to send delegates from Missoula to the state meeting.

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OVERTAKEN BY FATE

Mrs. Emma Johnson Is Sentenced to Penitentiary.

IS GUILTY OF KIDNAPING

With Her Husband She Committed Highway Robbery in Portland, and He is Now Serving Time at Salem.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—F. E. Baldwin and Emma Johnson pleaded guilty before Judge Rice this evening to the crime of kidnaping and each received a sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

Early in November Baldwin and Mrs. Johnson stole the woman's 8-year-old daughter from the child's grandmother, Mrs. Van Carnap, of Centralia. Baldwin took the child to British Columbia, where Sheriff Uquhari caught him two weeks ago. The woman was arrested in Chehalis.

Emma Johnson was the former wife of Johnson, son of a prominent butcher of Portland, who was sent to the Oregon penitentiary for a seven-year-term for highway robbery about three years ago. They operated together. She alleges she intended to get a divorce from Johnson and marry Baldwin.

NEW OREGON INCORPORATIONS

Articles Filed With the Secretary of State at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the Secretary of State as follows: Chapman Lumber Company, principal office, Portland, Or.; capital stock, \$20,000; incorporators, Harrison B. Platt, Robert T. Platt and G. J. Perkins.

Russell Dant Company, principal office, Portland, Or.; capital stock, \$25,000; incorporators, Charles E. Russell, Charles E. Dant and Ralph R. Duntway.

Willamette Box & Lumber Company, principal office, Linton, Or.; capital stock, \$2,000; incorporators, J. B. Nagay, J. C. Noyes, S. Kinsman, Mark Crandall, George F. Felts, Cora L. Kinsman and John W. Crandall.

Apollis Roller Skating Rink Company, principal office, Portland, Or.; capital stock, \$200; incorporators, James A. Haz-

O. W. P. MEN WITHDRAW

WILL NOT TRY TO BE OREGON CITY COUNCILMEN.

Indications Are That a Third Candidate Will Be Defeated in Monday's Election.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Recognizing the futility of their candidacy for re-election to the City Council, C. M. Mason and M. P. Chapman, two of the candidates of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, today withdrew their nominating petitions and will not be candidates at the municipal election Monday to succeed themselves.

The withdrawal of these two franchise candidates, the election of whom was at no time so much as a possibility, insures the election of at least three anti-franchise Councilmen, while the election of William Andersen, another anti-franchise candidate for the Council, from the First Ward, over W. L. Little is reasonably certain, as the anti-franchise sentiment in that ward is pronounced.

While the City Council, as it will be constituted after the first of the year, will be strongly anti-franchise, it is not to be inferred that the Oregon Water Power Company, or any other corporation desiring valuable franchise rights will not receive and be granted a proper consideration. The people of this city are not hostile to the Oregon Water Power Company, which they favor giving a reasonable franchise for a right term of years and at the same time give the business and property interests of the city due protection and insure to the municipality a proper monetary consideration for the valuable privileges to be conferred.

DELAY WOODBURN FRANCHISE

Business Men Object to Electric Road on Street Selected.

WOODBURN, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The City Council last night passed to third reading an ordinance granting a franchise to A. Welch for 20 years to operate an electric line on Settlemier avenue, said line to be operated by electric power only and to be completed from Salem as far as Woodburn within 18 months after the granting of the franchise. The ordinance was not read the third and put on final passage on account of opposition by the business men of the city, who presented a petition asking that the line go on Front street.

Mayor Frank Waters, of Salem, representing the company, was present and desired that the matter be settled as soon as possible, as it was immaterial to the company which thoroughfare was selected. The Council will arrive at a definite conclusion at an early special meeting and it is altogether probable that the interests of the business men will be fully protected.

PRIZE CHICKENS AT CORVALLIS

Dr. Lester Walks Off With Two of the Silver Cups.

CORVALLIS, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The Poultry show ended tonight after a day of unusually large attendance. The final award of prizes was announced this morning and it is altogether probable that the interests of the business men will be fully protected.

THE DANGER TO THE CHILD

May be real or the snake may be a harmless one, but there is danger that someone every child as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Laxative and its unparalleled record of hundreds of thousands of cures, in the last forty years, justifies all that can be said of it.

It is non-alcoholic, non-narcotic, it is safe and reliable for any woman, of any age and in any condition, to use. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Laxative—only one or two a day will regulate and cleanse and invigorate a foul, bad stomach, torpid liver, or sluggish bowels.

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RAINCOATS and OVERCOATS

Same as the custom tailors The only difference—the price —ours are a little more than half

\$15 to \$35

HOUSE COATS

\$4 to \$18

BATH ROBES

\$5 to \$12.50

DRESSING GOWNS

\$8 to \$35

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