

INTERVIEWS MAN WHO ROBS HIM

D. P. Wood Talks With Footpad While Latter Goes Through His Pockets.

NEEDS MONEY, SAYS THIEF

While the Police Are Searching for the Highwayman He Robs P. G. Wascher, Five Blocks From Store.

REMARKABLE FEATURES IN SERIES OF HOLD-UPS

A "gentleman highwayman" held up D. P. Wood, chief clerk in the superintendent's office of the O. R. & N. at 6 o'clock last evening, and while robbing his victim, was interviewed by Mr. Wood. Asked why he was committing such an act, he replied he was out of funds and must have money.

Footpad Gives Reason

"I have no money, and I've got to have money," replied the highwayman, as he nervously fumbled about in the pockets of his victim.

Makes Second Hold-Up

Hurrying to his home, NW Tillamook street, Mr. Wood immediately called up police headquarters and made a complete report of the affair to Captain Moore, commanding the first relief.

Effort to Capture Fails

Captain Moore was very anxious to have the highwayman captured, and left nothing undone to accomplish this.

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Frank Heller, who has disappeared, was secretary. The shortage is found to be about \$100,000 instead of \$75,000. Moreover, it is announced that Heller's relatives will not make good his defalcations, as was reported some days ago. Heller apparently took \$15,000 with him at the time he left Milwaukee.

SUNK WITH ALL ON BOARD

Probable Fate of Nova Scotia Barge With Eleven Men.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 2.—(Special).—The captain of the American tug Thomas, which arrived tonight from Loughsbury, reports having lost the Nova Scotia barge "L. J. Wedderburn" on Wednesday.

SAY ROAD DODGES REBATE

Shippers Allege St. Paul Line Discriminates in Wheat Rates.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 2.—(Special).—One Kansas City grain firm has collected over 1,000,000 bushels of grain which will be shipped at once to Liverpool via the St. Paul Railroad. It is reported that this St. Paul Railroad, it is believed, has discriminated against the other lines in wheat rates.

REJECT SULTAN'S TERMS

Powers Decide to Occupy Two More Islands.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—It was learned by the Associated Press, in the highest government quarter today, that the powers, after rejecting the proposition against the latest counter-proposal, have decided to reject them and actively resume the naval demonstration in Turkish waters on Monday, with the probable seizure of the islands of Lemnos and Imbros.

Sultan's Spine Is Bending.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 2.—The unanimity of the Ambassadors is beginning to have effect on the Ottoman authorities. Even the military men, who are leading the opposition against the acceptance of the demands of the powers, are showing signs of weakening.

County Assessors' Convection.

The County Assessors will meet in Portland Tuesday, December 12, and H. D. Sigler, Assessor of Multnomah County, declares that it will be the best meeting of the kind ever held in this city.

Divine Healing His Theme.

The second day's session of the Portland branch of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, held at the First Christian Church, was an interesting one. The most important addresses of the day were given by I. W. Hutchins, who returned

Why Portland Mail Delivery Is Slow

Uncle Sam Is Niggardly in Providing Mailclerks and Carriers, But Lavish in Paying Graft to Railroads

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 2.—(To the Editor).—There are primary and secondary reasons why the delivery of mail in the City of Portland is slow and the service poor.

The primary reason is the scarcity of help in the postoffice, both of clerks and carriers.

This difficulty is easily cured by the Department authorities in Washington when they are once convinced that the local service demands the only remedy.

But with all the large cities of the great West, and especially those on the Pacific Slope, making the same representations and with the appropriations for the entire Department showing a deficit of millions, the City of Portland gets the frigid hand, because there are no Senators or Representatives with any standing or pull with the powers that be in higher officialdom at Washington.

Other cities call on their Senators and Representatives to do something, and something is done, but for Portland there is only the mercy of inspectors, who come out from Wash-

land and every other city on the Coast goes shy of decent service.

The graft of the railroad corporation on the postal appropriations amounts to many millions, and is the largest item of the budget, as shown on record, unless it be some of the Navy Department items. The amount

day intervals) it is occasioned by the carelessness of the writer in addressing the envelope.

Every numbered street has its triple counterpart; there may be, for instance, No. 15, Fifteenth street, which is not Fifteenth street North, Fifteenth street East, nor Fifteenth street West; yet many people do not realize that a letter to be even as promptly delivered as the means and insufficient schedules permit must have these distinctions indicated on the envelope or the delay will be likely to extend over several days.

The burdens of the carriers are greatly increased by thousands of such letters carried over and around the city for days at a time from one district to another, and the "Nixy Clerks" who work overtime trying to keep up with the vast quantities of mail insufficiently or improperly addressed. Many people in Portland do not seem to know that there is any other division to the city's streets than simply east, or that Union, Grand and other avenues and streets in East Portland are different from Alder and that a letter addressed to a given number East Portland will have to go south of Alder first, and then if it does not find the

over and above the true worth of the service, it is sufficient to pay interest on the actual cost of the railroads. At least, so it is asserted by the men who have investigated the matter.

However, laying the primary reasons aside, the people of Portland are themselves careless and negligent in not giving their addresses properly and fully, when a letter is delayed because improperly addressed do not inform the writer of the fact, but continue to receive their mail addressed in the same manner, expecting more and more delay in the delivery of the mail, that he will continue to receive letters and papers year in and year out, addressed to his former residence.

Wrong Addresses on Letters.

For a small village where everybody knows everybody's dog this is bad enough, but in a city like Portland it is today in Irvington addressed to South Portland or Sellwood, perhaps, where they have not resided for three years, when a letter is delayed because of wrong address, the person who has removed to, when you change your residence, there can be better service rendered even with the present inefficient force, who are doing the best possible on the contract and do not deserve to be shot.

Let Portland Awake.

When the people of Portland awake to the fact that Uncle Sam will take every pains possible to deliver a letter as addressed, but that he cannot deliver a letter promptly if improperly addressed, except by accident, and that Portland is growing into a metropolis where the clerk at the delivery window is not expected to know you by name nor the letter-carrier to ascertain by second sight or intuition when and where you have removed to, when you change your residence, there can be better service rendered even with the present inefficient force, who are doing the best possible on the contract and do not deserve to be shot.

A PACK MULE.

He Worries Over Impossible Addresses.

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ington and Jolly the Postmaster and his chief subordinates with suggestions of improvements that amount to nothing when possible to make.

The overburdened carrier is told to take less time at his desk work, to shift his enormous load from one shoulder to the other, or to turn on the spot to his weary, swollen feet a little more. The clerk is given some similar suggestions, and the happy inspector goes on his way rejoicing that he can be of service in some other city to a Senator or Representative who is next to the real great thing in the Department.

To this definition of one reason why the public of Portland does not get good mail service there are postal authorities who will turn up their eyes in holy horror at the idea and declare that such implications are treasonable.

Railroads Big Graft.

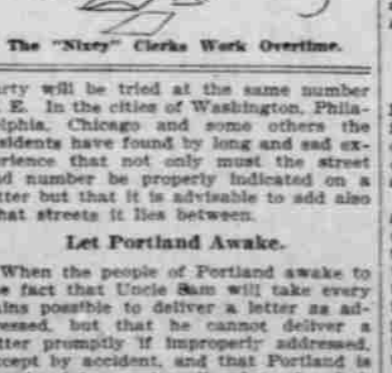
There is another reason, however, if this be set aside as unworthy of belief or consideration. That is that the appropriations for the carrying of the mails on the railroads must and shall be dug up by Uncle Sam, even if Port-



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