

## CRIPPEN WAS BETRAYED BY LETTER TO HIS SON

Different Stories As to Wife's Death Did Not Hang Together.

ALLEGED MURDERER HAS NOT BEEN FOUND.

Thought to Be Either in America or Hiding in London.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 15.—A letter written by H. O. Crippen of this city to his son Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, who is being sought by detectives in this country and Great Britain, was held to be responsible for causing the suspicion against the doctor. Young Crippen received the letter from his mother saying his step-mother, whose name was Belle Elmore, had died in San Francisco. Later he received a letter from the Ladies' Guild asking for particulars of his mother's death at Los Angeles. He stated that she had died at San Francisco and had not been in Los Angeles. Dr. Crippen had given it to members of the Guild that his mother had died in Los Angeles and had written to his son residing in Los Angeles she had died in San Francisco. Conflicting statements caused suspicion to be directed against him and a search of the home occupied by the couple revealed the body of the murdered woman believed to be that of Belle Elmore. Crippen has not seen his father since he was two years old. He was recently married in this city.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Eng., July 15.—Scotland Yard detectives are investigating numerous alleged clues of the whereabouts of Crippen and the woman whom he is said to have infatuated and that couple have either gone to America or are in hiding in London. A woman who keeps a store directly back of the house occupied by the couple states that she heard pistol shots in the Crippen cellar and cries "don't, don't," but as the pistol shots and target practice are not rare things in the Crippen garden she paid particular attention to the incident.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 15.—The steamship Lusitania, on which Dr. Crippen was supposed to have fled from London following the alleged murder of a woman, Belle Elmore, arrived here today, but there was no trace of the doctor or the woman who is thought to have accompanied him. Other vessels from England will be watched during the next few days.

### THE WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Ill., July 15.—July 1.08 3/4; Sept. 1.07 3/4; Dec. 1.08 1/2; May \$1.11 3/4.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15.—Wheat unchanged.

TACOMA, Wash., July 15.—Mill Bluestem 88c; Club 84c.

## MAY CAUSE A STRIKE

Pennsylvania Railroad Refuses to Meet Demands for Increased Wages.

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 10.—At a special meeting of the directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, a resolution was adopted fully approving the course of its officers in resisting the demands for a further wage increase of some of its employees. The latter are now considering a strike situation.

Times' Want Ads.

## CHINA SENDS ASSISTANCE

Government Takes a Hand and Will Help the Portuguese Soldiers.

(By Associated Press.)

HONG KONG, July 15.—The pirates on Colwan Island hoisted a flag of truce to remove their wounded today. The Chinese Government has sent ten gunboats and 1,200 soldiers to the scene to be ready to assist the Portuguese soldiers if necessary in exterminating the outlaws.

## COAST LEAGUE BALL SCORES

Portland Wins Over Oakland, and San Francisco and Vernon Victors.

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, July 15.—Portland was the victor over Oakland yesterday. San Francisco defeated Sacramento and Los Angeles lost to Vernon. The scores follow:

| AT PORTLAND—      | R. | H. |
|-------------------|----|----|
| Portland          | 4  | 9  |
| Oakland           | 1  | 3  |
| AT SAN FRANCISCO— | R. | H. |
| San Francisco     | 5  | 7  |
| Sacramento        | 1  | 7  |
| AT LOS ANGELES—   | R. | H. |
| Los Angeles       | 3  | 9  |
| Vernon            | 7  | 9  |

## WATER DEEP ON THE BAR

Interesting Figures Regarding the Conditions and Improvements on Coquille River.

BANDON, Ore., July 15.—That there was twenty-three feet of water on the bar with only seven foot tide was ascertained when the Fifield made her last trip out of the Coquille river. She carried a full cargo of lumber. The water was 16 to 20 feet deep on the inside channel and it was found to be fifty feet deep between the jetties just outside the bar.

These statements are given by the Bandon Recorder. The same paper gives some interesting figures regarding the \$56,000 appropriation which has been made by congress for the Coquille river improvement. The money is all to be spent on the inside channel. The estimated cost of the work proposed is as follows:

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| Construction and equipment of snag scow        | \$ 7,000      |
| Operation of scow 2 seasons                    | 6,000         |
| Removal of mid-channel rock at Rocky Point     | 500           |
| Strang's Shoal, dredging                       | 2,250         |
| Walstrom's landing shoal, dredging             | 2,100         |
| Randolph mill shoal, dredging                  | 600           |
| Contingencies, engineering and office expenses | 3,710         |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>22,160</b> |

Estimated cost of work proposed, Sixtieth Congress, first session . . . . . 27,840  
Grand total . . . . . \$50,000

It is estimated that it will cost \$6,000 a year to maintain the proposed channel between the mouth of the river and Coquille and to care for the plant.

The total tonnage crossing in and

## BLAKE GETS HIS WANTS

Council Makes Changes Desired in the Electric Road Franchise.

The city council at an adjourned meeting last night granted to J. M. Blake the changes he requested made in his franchise for an electric line in Marshfield. Practically the only difference in the ordinance as it stands after the change is that Mr. Blake is not required to spend \$5,000 within six months after the time that the ordinance was originally passed.

The section of the ordinance which was changed by the council upon the request of Mr. Blake applies to the time in which work on the road must be done. In brief, the features of this section as amended are as follows:

The life of the franchise is thirty-five years.

The grantee must by Jan. 1, 1911, have built within the limits of Marshfield one continuous line of railway one mile in length.

All of the rest of the lines which the franchise allows must be built by July 1, 1911, or in the alternative there must be a continuous line of railway equal in length to the rest of the lines, besides the one mile, operated outside of the limits of the city and connected with the one mile within the city.

As was explained in the account of Mr. Blake's petition to the city council, Tuesday, the only change is that he is not required to have expended \$5,000 within six months from the time that the original ordinance was passed.

Mr. Blake, in speaking of the matter, said that the action of the city council was highly satisfactory to him and that it gave him the chance to use his franchise in Marshfield as the unit of a line which could extend outside of the city, providing that he was unable to secure the franchise for operating in North Bend. In short, he is now prepared to use his franchise in Marshfield as a part of an interurban line in case he cannot secure the franchise in North Bend to make it a line connecting the two cities.

One of the councilmen asked Mr. Blake if he expected to have the one mile of road built by January 1st, and he said that was certainly the end to which he was working.

## CAPT. LYON NOT GUILTY

According to Verdict at Trial, But Reviewing Officer Has Objection.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 15.—Capt. Samuel D. Lyon of the 25th Infantry, U. S. A., recently tried at Fort Myer, Va., for irregularities growing out of the Brownsville case, was found not guilty and given an honorable acquittal by the court. General Walter Howe, commander of the Department of East, however, acting as reviewing authority, passed upon the case today and disapproved of the findings on the ground that the evidence had not been properly considered.

Lumbermen Here.—R. D. Brookings of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brookings of Redlands, Cal., are registered at the Chandler. They are interested in the Brookings Lumber Company of Highland, Cal., which firm owns large tracts of timber in Curry county.

out over the bar of the river in 1908, says the Recorder, was 70,000 tons, with a value of \$1,500,000 and with the inside commerce of the river it is estimated that it would bring the total shipping valuation up to \$2,000,000.

For every man fooled by a woman, possibly 50 women are fooled by men. And for a woman to be fooled by a man is sometimes serious business.

## DEMOCRATS IN SESSION

Meeting of County Central Committee Is Held at Coquille.

The members of the Democratic County Central Committee held a meeting yesterday at Coquille. Nearly all of the delegates were present. Several were invited to be present at the meeting.

The gathering was called to order by Chairman Tom Hall. The first business was the election of new officers. Hugh McLain was elected chairman and W. J. Rust was elected secretary. Mr. Hall has held the position of chairman for the past six years and said that he could not take the place again.

The matter of financing the campaign was discussed and a committee of one was appointed for each precinct to solicit funds to defray any expenses that might have to be met.

Delegates were appointed for the new precincts which have been created in the county.

There was no personal comment regarding candidates for office, the committee decided that those who wanted to run for office must take their chances at the regular primaries and the committee did not endorse anyone for any office.

The delegates from Coos Bay who attended the meeting returned home on a special train last night.

Resolution Adopted.

The following resolution was adopted by the committee:

We believe that it is necessary for the public welfare and safety that every practical guaranty shall be provided by law to assure the people generally as well as the members of the several parties that political parties shall be fairly, freely and honestly conducted in appearance as well as in fact.

We believe that the method of naming candidates for the various elective offices by the direct primary law is the best method yet found for this purpose.

The reform measures which have found their way upon the statute books of the State of Oregon and which are known as the "Direct Primary Law," "Statement No. 1," "The Recall" and "Corrupt Practices Act" are measures adopted and sanctioned by a large majority of the voters of the State of Oregon regardless of their party affiliations. These measures have grown more popular since the date of their adoption, and have placed Oregon in the very front rank in the matter of reform legislation.

While we urge rigid economy and strict business method in the expenditure of public monies, we believe in a liberal policy in extension and construction of permanent public highways.

We believe that it is a commendable ambition for every qualified elector whether he be Democrat, Republican or Socialist, to desire to serve his commonwealth in public office and that under the law he has an equal right to exercise this ambition and regardless of his place of residence submit his name and his chances to all the electors in his respective party in the first instance, and if nominated by his party to submit his name and his chances to all the electors of his election district.

## RAILROAD MAN IS GENEROUS

H. K. McHarg of Texas Central Makes Handsome Gifts to Employees.

(By Associated Press.)

WACO, Texas, July 15.—H. K. McHarg of Stamford, Conn., who recently sold his holdings in the Texas Central Railroad, has notified the management that he will give a year's salary to all employees who have been in the service of the road for twenty years. In addition every conductor, agent, brakeman and porter is to receive a month's salary.

EASTSIDE IS A WINNER.

## FIERCE FIRES ARE RAGING IN FORESTS OF MONTANA

## MANY HURT IN WRECK

Cars in New York Collide and Injure Twenty-five Persons.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 15.—Twenty-five persons were injured when a car containing a theatrical party crashed into the rear of another car on the Manhattan approach to the Queensborough Bridge, over the East River. All the injured will recover.

## IS VICTIM OF ASSAULT

William Luse Has Arms Broken and Is Otherwise Injured.

William Luse is at Mercy hospital in North Bend to be treated for injuries received in an assault on his farm on Coos River. Mr. Luse rents his farm to a tenant and it is stated that he was assaulted by two young men who were employed on the place. It is alleged that the assault was entirely unprovoked and that Mr. Luse was beaten with clubs. At any rate both of his arms were broken and he is badly bruised. No arrests have been made so far.

## MISS SIMPSON IS MARRIED

Ceremony Is Performed at St. Luke's Church in San Francisco.

The wedding of Miss Edith Simpson, daughter of Capt. A. M. Simpson, was held Tuesday night in San Francisco. The Examiner of that date, regarding the event, says:

The wedding of Miss Edith Simpson to Roy Pike, which will be solemnized this evening at 9 o'clock in St. Luke's Church, will be the means of bringing many of their friends into the city over the evening.

The ceremony will be very quiet, owing to the bride's family being in mourning, and only the relatives will later go to the Pacific avenue home to toast the future happiness of the bride and bridegroom. The Right Rev. Bishop William Ford Nichols will perform the marriage ceremony. The bride will wear a handsome white lace gown embroidered in seed pearls over white satin, with its wedding accompaniments, while her two attendants, Mrs. Lawrence Harris and Mrs. George Cameron, will be gowned in pale blue chiffon over white silk. They will carry bouquets of hydrangeas. Lawrence Harris will attend the bridegroom as best man, and the honor of ushers will be divided among J. K. Armsby, Vail Blakewell, Clarence Ward, L. J. Simpson.

Asa M. Simpson will give his handsome and charming daughter into the keeping of the bridegroom. Upon their return to town Mr. Pike and his bride will live in the Pacific avenue home.

TENTS TO RENT at PIONEER HARDWARE CO.

MILLINERY REDUCTION SALE still continues at Mrs. J. H. Somers, designer.

Lolo, Bitter Root and Missoula Districts Are Affected by the Destruction.

FLAMES HAVE PASSED BEYOND ALL CONTROL.

Will Be the Worst Fire Ever Known in That Locality.

(By Associated Press.)

MISSOULA, Mont., July 15.—Since last night the fires in the Lolo, Bitter Root and Missoula forest district have grown more dangerous and seem now to have passed beyond control. Unless rain comes this country will probably experience one of the most disastrous fires ever known.

## CAMP ATTACKED BY ROBBERS

One Killed and Two Wounded in Lake Shore Construction Camp.

(By Associated Press.)

CLEVELAND, O., July 15.—One man is dead and two are badly wounded as a result of the raid by robbers on a Lake Shore construction camp near Olmstead Falls late last night. The sheriff and posse today covered the country for miles around the scene of the shooting, but no trace of the men who shot up camp were found.

## AUTO OWNERS TO ORGANIZE

Will Form Coos County Association During Carnival Week in August.

Steps were taken for the organization of a Coos county automobile association at a meeting which was held last night at the Chamber of Commerce rooms. There was a large attendance of owners of autos. The matter of arranging for one afternoon during the carnival week in August to be given to the autos was discussed.

It was decided to have an auto parade and to offer two cash prizes for the best decorated autos and also a prize for the auto which comes from the most distant point to attend the carnival. An offer will be made to have all of the autos from the Coquille valley here at that time and it is also expected that there will be machines here from other cities in the state.

The local auto people will see to it that the road from Roseburg to Myrtle Point is in good shape for any outsiders who may want to come here. The road is now in good shape but if it is found that there are any bad places they will be repaired. It is thought that many auto owners will make the trip over the road and attend the auto day in Marshfield. On this occasion the county organization will be formed.

J. Schilling was named to act as marshal of the day. Claude Nasburg, Tom Bennett, I. R. Tower, L. Hazard and Thomas Guerin were appointed to act as a committee on parade and Dr. J. T. McCormac, Dr. Schoonmaker and Chester Wolcott were appointed as an entertainment committee.

Sixteenth annual picnic of the Suomi Society will be held Sunday, July 21, at Enegren's Grove. Watch posters.