

MATILLA COUNTY SHERIFF KILLED

Taylor Shot When Prisoners Make Break and Escape Into the Hills.

LYNCHING THREATENED

One of Oregon's Best Sheriffs Killed by Indian Prisoner When Officer Attempts to Halt His Escape from the Jail.

DESPERADOES SURROUNDED.

(By Associated Press.)
PENDLETON, July 25.—Two men, believed to be Jim Owens and Neal Hart, and murderers of Sheriff Taylor, were late this afternoon reported to be hiding in a wheat field five miles southwest of Pendleton. The field is surrounded by posse of determined men and capture of the outlaws is thought certain. The city of Pendleton offers a reward of \$1,000 for the capture of the desperadoes, dead or alive.

LINDGREN CAPTURED.

(By Associated Press.)
PENDLETON, July 25.—Albert Lindgren, one of the five prisoners who escaped from the county jail yesterday when Sheriff Taylor, of Umatilla county, was killed, was captured by a posse at Canyon early this morning. A posse of about three hundred is trailing the other four men, including Neal Hart, a half-breed Indian, who it is alleged shot Sheriff Taylor. According to Lindgren, the break had been planned for several days.

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Sheriff Taylor, of Pendleton, one of the best known police officers in the state of Oregon, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon in attempting to halt the escape of six out of seven prisoners confined in the Umatilla county jail. Sheriff Taylor has been in Roseburg on several occasions and is well known here. He was a close friend of Sheriff Quine and has visited at the latter's home. Sheriff Taylor as a criminal, getting no peer in the west. A stockman of the real western type, he was a member of his county practically without opposition and had remained in office for over 18 years. He has been fearless and conscientious in the performance of his duty and has figured in some of the biggest man hunts in the state and has been successful. He was responsible for the capture of the murderers of N. Burgess and George E. Perrin, who were killed during the robbery of Clatsop tavern, and has been taken part in some active gun battles necessary for the capture of criminals. As soon as he learned of the affair, Sheriff Hurlburt, of Multnomah county, dispatched a number of deputies to Pendleton to assist in the search for the escaped prisoners. All of Umatilla county is aroused and posses of city residents, farmers, and visitors, are scouring the country. Talk of lynching is reported, and it will probably go hard with the men responsible for Sheriff Taylor's death.

PENDLETON, Or., July 25.—T. D. Hurlburt, sheriff of Umatilla county, was shot through the breast and badly wounded here this afternoon when six of seven prisoners confined in the county jail made their escape. Sheriff Taylor died at 6:10 p. m., four hours later.

Poses were formed immediately at Pendleton and at nearby points and took up the trail of the outlaws.

One prisoner, Robert Jeffries, remained in the jail and took no part in the break.

The prisoners who escaped were: Neal Hart, Indian, aged 22, held in jail after a duel with Taylor and Deputy Sheriff Martin in the hills near Reith last week, and who faced charges of grand larceny and attempted to kill Jim Owens, Indian, aged 29, caught with Hart; Jack Perkins, 22 years old, held on robbery charge; Albert Lindgren, alleged bank robber; Richard Patterson and Lewis Anderson, held on a bad-check charge. All of them were awaiting grand jury action.

The prisoners first overpowered Deputy Sheriff Martin, a deputy sheriff, who had entered the cell to carry them their dinner. The break was made at 1:55 p. m.

Then, led by Hart, the Indian, the prisoners made their way to the

office and began a search for and ammunition.

It evidently obtained a rifle which he loaded and, accompanied by two of the other prisoners, left Taylor's office.

Taylor and Guy Wyrick, a friend, were just entering the sheriff's office when they saw Owens and Patterson rummaging the drawers in the search for ammunition. They rushed the prisoners and Taylor threw Owens down. Wyrick overpowered Patterson.

Then Hart entered the office with the loaded rifle and shot Taylor. He then commanded Wyrick to stand up and release Patterson or get a dose of lead, too. Wyrick obeyed. They placed Taylor on a couch. Hart was about to shoot Taylor again because he would not tell where the ammunition was hidden. Wyrick begged Taylor not to fire again and was finally allowed to get some water for Taylor.

Hart then became more abusive and again threatened to shoot the pair. Then Taylor, pointing to his desk and to the drawer which contained the ammunition, said, "All right, take the ammunition and get out."

Immediately after they obtained the guns, the prisoners fled from the building. They then made their way to the O. W. R. & N. railway tracks where they boarded a eastbound freight train. They kept under cover along the railway tracks until the train passed and then boarded it just outside the city limits.

The fugitives rode the train for four miles, getting off at Mission station. From there they fled into the timber.

Taylor, although mortally wounded, talked freely to relatives and friends during the first hour he was shot. He said: "Well this is a corker. I could have shot the dirty cur (meaning Owens), but he got me all right." Morphine was given Taylor, but he never rallied enough to have a chance. The bullet cut the jugular vein and arteries leading to his neck. His wife and only son were at the bedside when he died.

Mourning for Sheriff.

SALEM, July 25.—State officers and officials of the city today expressed regret over the tragic death of Sheriff T. H. Taylor, who was killed by outlaws in a jail break at Pendleton yesterday. Governor Olcott said that "Taylor was a man the whole state grieves for and mourns with Umatilla County in her irreparable loss."

Prizes Offered For Car Loading

To aid in the heavier car loading campaign which is being waged all over the Pacific coast by such organizations as the Good Railway Service association of California, Agent L. B. Moore of the Southern Pacific company announces that his company has decided to offer cash prizes to all its agents in a car loading contest that will start August 1st and continue for three months. First prize of \$50 and a second of \$25 will be awarded to stations on the Pacific system which show the heaviest loading in each of 17 different commodities. An additional prize goes to the agent who makes the greatest improvement over his record for the corresponding period of 1918. Five credits will be allowed each station or each ton per car increase over the system average for corresponding period of 1918 and two credits for each per cent of increase load to capacity and lesser increases in proportion. Award will be made to agent at station earning the highest number of credits for each commodity considered.

General Manager J. H. Dyer in sending out the rules governing the contest, calls attention to the necessity of obtaining for the public the maximum efficiency from existing railroad facilities.

"The Southern Pacific desires to do all in its power to render efficient service at a time when the number of cars is below the demand of the Pacific coast shippers. We are now actually rendering more transportation service than we did for the same period of last year. The average car load for June, 1920, was 24 tons, as compared with 22.4 tons for the same month of 1919, and we handled a much larger gross tonnage per mile, but with the increased business that is being offered we must still do better and we must rely upon the intelligent support of the shipping public."

BANK CASHIER VISITS.

Eugene Plunkett, assistant cashier of the Anglo and London Paris National Bank, of San Francisco, stopped in this city today enroute to Juneau, Alaska. He is visiting all correspondent banks and obtaining information and collecting data regarding the financial condition of the coast. He praised the local banks very highly for their condition and commented favorably over the last statement of finances.

CUP RACE DECLARED OFF ACCOUNT WIND

Shamrock Crossed Line First In the Get Away—Resolute Was Ahead.

BREEZE SOON DIED OUT

American Sloop Proved Herself Best Sailor In Light Wind Prevailing Later Part of the Afternoon—Calm Tonight.

(By Associated Press.)

RACE DECLARED OFF.

SANDY HOOK, July 26.—With American sloop Resolute two miles in the lead the yacht race was declared off at five o'clock this afternoon, because of dying winds made it impossible for the sloops to finish the course within the six-hour limit.

SANDY HOOK, July 26.—In the beginning of the final race today for the American cup, Light's sloop the Shamrock took the lead, crossing the line an even minute ahead of the defender Resolute. The latter has a time allowance of six minutes and 40 seconds over the British craft, and this handicap is figured in establishing records. A ten mile breeze is blowing, and at 2:26 this afternoon the Resolute had closed up the gap and passed her rival, leading the race by approximately 300 feet.

Arrested for Conspiracy.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The District of Columbia grand jury today took up the investigation of an alleged conspiracy of certain employees in the war risk insurance bureau to defraud disabled service men of compensation legally due them. Ten persons have already been arrested.

Participation Unlikely.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—It is deemed unlikely by some government officials here that the United States will in any way participate in the conference of representatives of the allied governments and soviet Russia, looking to restoration of peace between the Bolsheviks and Poland. Officials here refuse to comment on the situation.

Will Surrender, Says Story.

EAGLE PASS, July 26.—Francisco Villa is at Sabins today, from which point the bandit leader is in telegraphic communication with President De La Huerta, at Mexico City, to arrange the terms of his surrender to the government, according to advices received here. Sabins is 90 miles from Eagle Pass.

Tip Up Coal Fields.

TERRE HAUTE, July 26.—Indiana's coal fields were today partially paralyzed by an unauthorized strike of day laborers and drivers, following similar action in the Illinois coal fields. Fifty mines near here are idle.

Adrianople Falls.

ATHENS, July 26.—The Turkish city of Adrianople was captured by Greek troops yesterday, and King Alexander expects to enter the city today at the head of his victorious army.

Senator McNary to Visit In County

District Attorney Geo. Neuner returned yesterday from Salem where he attended the Elks convention. While in Salem he was notified of his appointment to the executive committee of the Republican State Central Committee to manage and carry on the coming political campaign. "While in Salem," Mr. Neuner said, "I had a long talk with Senator McNary and Representative McArthur and I am firmly convinced that the republican party made a good choice in selecting Senator Harding the standard bearer of the party. Both speak very highly of the Ohio senator and they are as firmly convinced as I am that no better choice could have been made, and they are equally confident of a republican victory in November. He states that Senator McNary will visit in this county during the summer to get acquainted with the people and to see what is needed here that can be aided by congressional action."

HOTEL MAN VISITS.

Al J. Martineau, proprietor of the Josephine Hotel of Grants Pass, spent last night in this city after attending the Elks convention in Salem. R. Scott Weaver of the Umatilla Hotel made the trip to Salem with Mr. Martineau and returned to Roseburg in that gentleman's auto. Mr. Martineau recently purchased the Jo-

sephine hotel which is considered one of the leading hostleries of Southern Oregon.

WEDDING YESTERDAY.

Margaret Adeline Stanley and Harry E. Cotton, both residents of this city, were united in marriage at the office of Justice of the Peace L. B. Riddle, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Fred Jones, sister-in-law of the bride, and Mr. Sullivan, a local Southern Pacific employe, attended the bride and groom. Mr. Cotton is employed as switchman by the Southern Pacific company and they will make their home in this city.

Would Have Ridden With Til Taylor

Had Sheriff T. H. Taylor, of Umatilla have lived, he and Sheriff Quine, Guide of this city, would have led the Round up parade when that event occurs this fall. At the recent Shriner parade in Portland, Sheriff Taylor was grand Marshal. An arrangement was made at that time between the two sheriffs that they would both ride at the Pendleton Round-Up, and at Sheriff Taylor's request Sheriff Quine agreed to ride one of that gentleman's fine horses. They had some correspondence regarding the matter and at the invitation of the Umatilla county officer Sheriff Quine had agreed to be present at the Round-Up celebration.

Medford People Lose In Warehouse Fire

(By Associated Press.)
MEDFORD, July 26.—Ends Bros warehouse in this city took fire and burned to the ground early today. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. Over a hundred Medford people had property stored in the warehouse, and little insurance is believed to have been carried on the most of it. Spontaneous combustion is believed to be the cause of the fire.

Russians Want to Talk Over Plans

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, July 26.—The proposal of the Russian soviet government for a conference in London with all of the allies, as reported in last night's dispatches, will be the subject of an exchange of views between France and England. It is possible that Lloyd George and Premier Millerand, of France, will meet during the present week to discuss the question.

Italian Destroyer Strikes a Mine

(By Associated Press.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, July 26.—Eighteen sailors and one officer of the new Italian destroyer Alberto Carlo Racchia were drowned when the ship struck a mine today in the Black Sea. The accident occurred near the entrance to the Bosphorus.

Mrs. George Stearns and Mrs. Roy Stearns of Oakland, Came to this City This Morning and Spent a Few Hours Shopping, Leaving for their Homes on the Afternoon Train.

Los Angeles Awakes As Earthquake Rocks

(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, July 26.—A sharp earthquake shock aroused the people of Los Angeles at 4:13 this morning, and thousands of individuals who usually enjoy a morning nap found it convenient to hastily dress and get out of doors. The shock was not so hard as the quake experienced here a couple of weeks ago. According to reports to the fire department and police office it is believed the tremor was felt chiefly in Los Angeles, and to a lesser extent at Inglewood and Redondo Beach, the former about 12 miles distant and the latter 22 miles southwest of the city.

Marshfield Gains Grants Pass Loser

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, July 26.—Grants Pass, Oregon, is according to the reports of the census bureau made public today, credited with a population of 3,511, 1910, or 13.7 per cent. Marshfield, Oregon, is credited with a population of 4,034, or 13.7 per cent over 1910.

LANDING FIELD DISCUSSED.

The construction of an aeroplane landing field at Big Camas is being considered by the forestry service

GAS SHORTAGE AGAIN SEVERE

Standard Oil Makes Last Distribution Today Until Sixth of August.

SUPPLY RUNNING LOW

Sufficient Reserve Believed Held to Keep Essential Industries Going Until Expected Carloads Arrive in the City.

The gasoline shortage in Roseburg is again beginning to assume serious proportions in spite of the efforts of the local dealers to keep all cars supplied. The local supply is running low, and autoists are finding it difficult to secure sufficient fuel to run their machines. Two carloads are reported on the way but a tracer has failed to find them and it will probably be days before they arrive. The local Standard Oil plant has about 8,000 gallons on hand but this is not more than enough to keep necessities going until a shipment is received and consequently is being held for strictly necessary purposes.

The Fairfield company, from which the dealers have been securing gasoline, recently boosted their prices from 21 cents to 41 cents a gallon, f. o. b. Los Angeles, which would make the gasoline sell here at 55c without profit, and consequently the dealers have refused to continue the contract. One car ordered before the new rates became effective should have been shipped two weeks ago and ought to have been in Roseburg last Saturday night but is not in the state however, and cannot be located.

The State Dealers Association is shipping in a train load from Fort Worth, Texas and Roseburg is promised a carload from out of this train. There is no knowledge regarding its arrival, though, and it may be the first of the month before it arrives. The Standard Oil company will not be able to furnish gasoline before Aug. 6, and the outlook for the next few days is dark. A few thousand gallons were distributed to the local filling stations this morning, but was not sufficient to keep them operating throughout the day, although a few are still doling out gasoline.

"The shortage is not due to decreased production," B. L. Hyland, local Standard Oil manager stated today, "but is due to increased consumption. We saw this shortage coming in the spring and endeavored to build up a reserve and succeeded to such an extent that we have managed to keep essential industries in operation. We must now conserve even more for with harvest time rapidly approaching gasoline in great quantities will be needed. It becomes the duty of everyone to save gasoline in order that the farmers may have a sufficient supply to operate the machines necessary for the harvest."

"The increase of gasoline consumption in Douglas county is amazing. When I first took charge of the local plant there were two tractors in the county. Now there are 137 in operation between Oakland and Glendale. The plant then furnished a monthly average of 6,000 gallons. Now we furnish between 100,000 and 150,000 per month. With this same ratio all over the country, it can easily be seen how the consumption has advanced over production, resulting in the shortage which is now keenly felt all over the entire United States."

"I think we have enough to keep the essentials going. We will give particular attention in supplying the trucks engaged in road work, and in hauling to doctors, jitneys, tractors and farm machinery and such other vehicles and machinery as are used for public use. For pleasure vehicles we will have no gasoline."

Roseburg has a decided advantage over many cities. In some places even essential industries have been temporarily halted because of the lack of gasoline. Tourists from California stated that the fluid in that state is even harder to get than in Oregon and that the prices there often goes as high as 55 cents. Every effort to keep down the price and to prevent profiteering locally is being made, and gasoline is being sold at only a few cents over the actual cost to the dealers, and in fact a shortage in one of the cars resulted in considerable loss to the dealers, who counting in all expenses incident to the transportation, delivery, etc., have made but a very little margin of profit. It is probable that the next shipment brought in by the dealers will be higher priced as the transportation cost is exceedingly heavy and the price that must be paid at the refineries is high. Every effort possible is being made to secure gasoline for Roseburg, and auto owners can be assured that whenever gasoline is obtainable that this city will get its share.

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The construction of an aeroplane landing field at Big Camas is being considered by the forestry service

and the air department. The discussion has developed as a result of the recent forced landing at that place. Forest Supervisor Ramadell has been asked to report the practicability of a field at Big Camas, and will report that a good field can be constructed at that point with a light expense.

First Shipment of Apples Sent Soon

The first shipment of apples to leave Douglas county this season will go on the 28th of this month. Charles Lerry, who is the instigator of the shipment, which will consist of ten boxes of the Transparent variety, will make the shipment through his apple brokerage. The apples will be accompanied by reading matter concerning the apple industry in this section, and the varieties of apples maturing later in the section. The fruit will go to Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, Tia Juana and San Antonio, Texas. With the exception of the Los Angeles order the remainder are return orders from last year. Mr. Lerry shipped to the same customers last year. The apples shipped to Tia Juana go to the Jockey Club there, a large order having been sent to Lerry shipped to the same customers have requested that only a small order of the early apples be sent, with more to follow later. Mr. Lerry has also refused the shipment of a large order of Douglas county cherries, owing to the lateness of the season.

Wilbur Resident Passes Away

Beulah L. Bradley, aged 36 years, wife of C. L. Bradley, of Wilbur, passed away at the Roseburg sanitarium yesterday morning following a lingering illness. The deceased had been receiving treatment at the sanitarium for the past three months. She was born in Texas, December 13, 1884, and has resided at Wilbur for several years. In addition to her husband, she is survived by two children a boy and girl, aged 14 and 16. The funeral services were held at the Wilbur cemetery this afternoon at 2:30, with interment following. Rev. C. H. Hilton, of the Christian church of this city conducted the services.

Says Prohibition Done Much Good

NEW YORK, July 26.—Prohibition has been beneficial to the nation's industrial and economic life, in the opinion of Elbert H. Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation, who issued a statement here tonight on the eve of departure for Europe, giving his views on the business outlook generally.

"The prohibition laws have had marked effect," he said. "In nearly every newspaper one will read of fewer inmates of prisons, almshouses and hospitals, and larger balances in savings institutions and better, cleaner and healthier conditions in the dwellings, all on account of prohibition. Testimony on this subject is accumulating day by day. From an economic pecuniary standpoint, I think a large majority of the people of this country are in favor of prohibition and it is pleasing to note that the large numbers of workmen, so far as I am informed, subscribe to this view."

"Business conditions should be considered satisfactory," Mr. Gary said, although there has been "a lack of prudence in business management since the armistice," as regards prices.

"There seems to have been a disposition on the part of the large numbers," he added, "to ask and accept the highest prices which could be obtained. Consequently there has been added to going prices the amount which the producer has been obliged to pay, with profit on the whole, and the purchaser has thus been obliged to charge an increasing price to his customers."

The disposition to work and produce has been materially diminished, according to Mr. Gary. He cited an instance by which he said in order to remove and replace a headlight on a locomotive "it has been necessary to employ four different men because of labor regulations where one man heretofore performed the same service in less time."

"The rule has prevailed," he said, "of doing as little work as possible and of securing as large pecuniary results as could be obtained. However, somewhat to my surprise I have ascertained upon inquiry in the last 30 or 40 days that labor at our various plants is more efficient per man than it has been at any time before during the last five years."

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Agee, who have been attending the Elks convention at Salem, and who had intended to go from there to the Tillamook country for a week, arrived in Roseburg last night, having been called home by the serious illness of Mrs. Agee's brother, Charley Barker. Mr. Barker has been ill for some time, his illness having taken a serious turn within the past few days.

GREAT INCREASE MADE IN PAYROLL

Seventeen and a Half Million Dollars More Will Be Paid By Southern Pacific.

STATEMENT BY SPROULE

Increase in Freight and Passenger Rates Due to Increased Cost of Operation Including Wages, Material Costs and Taxes.

The effect of the wage award on the payrolls of the Pacific Coast Railroads is indicated in estimates made yesterday at the General Office of the Southern Pacific Company, for the added bill for all the company's lines alone would approximate \$17,500,000. The exact figure remains to be determined, but it was said that the figure quoted was believed to be very nearly correct. The officials pointed out that the stockholders of the Southern Pacific last year received in dividends \$17,475,460, so that this one recent wage increase distributed among the company's employees equals the amount that the stockholders got altogether. There are over 50,000 employees on the Pacific System lines.

At the same time it was pointed out that the Southern Pacific's annual report recently published showed that the increase in wages and cost of materials used in 1919, compared with the year previous, amounted to \$18,833,500, or an increase of almost one and a half millions of dollars more than the stockholders received.

Commenting on the situation, a statement issued from the office of President William Sproule last night read in part: "The stockholders of the railroads have not had any share in the increased revenues arising from any source, whether increased volume of business or from higher passenger and freight rates. The dividend rate on no larger system has been increased for many years. The Southern Pacific stockholders got 6 percent in 1919 just as they did in 1914. But that actually means out of every dollar earned by the Southern Pacific the share that goes to the stockholders is 40 percent less in 1919 than it was in 1914."

The process of taxation in railroad affairs is also graphically represented by comparing 1911 with 1919. In 1911 for every dollar paid the stockholders of the Southern Pacific about 33c went for taxes; but in 1919 for every dollar the stockholders received, the company paid out 72 cents in taxes. Taxes have increased from \$5,461,670 in 1911 to \$12,842,270 in 1919.

The new increase in freight and passenger rates are due directly to the increased cost in operations; first, wages; second, higher cost of materials used in operations, and third, taxes. The fourth item is the necessity of providing revenue by taking care of the interest on money borrowed to furnish more locomotives, cars, additional tracks, terminals, and other facilities to give a better service.

The gross earnings from all resources, exceeded \$260,000,000 in 1919, out of which the stockholders received \$17,478,460. In 1914 the gross revenues were \$152,822,950, out of which the stockholders received \$16,841,000. This increase in dividends is not due to an increase in rate, but to an increase in capital stock, the bond holders having exchanged some of their 4 percent and 5 percent bonds for capital stock under their rights as bond holders."

TREES TO BE CUT AT ONCE.

A limb almost six inches in diameter fell from one of the poplar trees in the courthouse yard last night. As it fell, it carried away a number of the smaller limbs and practically ruined the appearance of one side of the tree. Fortunately the limb fell during the night and no one was injured. The trees were counted as dangerous by the grand jury at its last session, and the county court has been endeavoring to find some person willing to remove them for the amount of wood contained. However, no such person has been found and the court will proceed to have them removed at the expense of the county.

TO HOLD RATE HEARING

A hearing on an application to increase the water rates will be held at 11 a. m. on August 4th, according to an announcement of the Public Service Commission.

James Hutchings, of the Model Bakery, returned yesterday from an extended trip east. He was met in Portland by his daughter in law, Mrs. Roy Hutchings who accompanied him back to this city. Mr. Hutchings reports a very pleasant trip, but is glad to get back to Roseburg.