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## DARING ROBBERY AT DEPOT

He was a brave one. He entered the O. R. & N. depot yesterday between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock and rifled the till of nearly four dollars in nickles and dimes. Who he was is still a mystery but the police are looking for him, and while the amount taken, was not much, still the local police will not rest until the fellow is run to earth.

Yesterday forenoon at about ten thirty o'clock Ticket Agent J. Keeney and his assistant left the depot, securely locked.

When the assistant returned the first thing that greeted his eye was a piece of steel about a foot long and a brake key. Another glance divulged the fact that the till had been "frisked". Joe Keeney was notified and the police put on the trail. The first clue was picked up at one of the saloons where a stranger and dropped in to change two dollars in nickles to bigger money. Working on the description given Marshall Rayburn was able to carefully watch every individual. However his every effort has failed and the only logical conclusion is that the man with his accomplice, which he no doubt had, boarded an outgoing freight early yesterday afternoon. The police are confident that the bold one did not get out on any passenger.

It appears that the window grating must have been unscrewed and the glass forced open. After taking the money and making an effort to get at the local ticket drawer in which he failed, the robber had left his brake key and another piece of steel wrapped in paper. This no doubt was intended as a weapon in case he should be surprised. It seems plausible that while the fire alarm yesterday noon was attracting La Grande's citizens, the unknown with unheard of boldness made the best of his opportunity and secured an entrance.

On the request of police the OBSERVER refrains from publishing the facts in yesterday's issue, as general publicity might hurry the robber from the city had he happened to be here last evening.

## CUBA'S DIPLOMATIC PLANS

(Scripps News Association)  
New York, July 21—General Ruz Rivera, formerly Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of the Treasury of Cuba, and now special minister plenipotentiary and envoy and extra ordinary appointed by the Cuban government to visit the capitals of the Central and South American republics in which Cuba has no diplomatic representatives, sailed from here today to make a tour of these republics. The object of his tour is the establishment of friendly relations with the various countries in which Cuba has no diplomatic representatives. He will first go to Caracas, Venezuela, via Porto Rico. Then he will go to Columbia, Panama, Guatemala, San Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Chile whence he will proceed to Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay and Brazil. From Rio de Janeiro he will sail to Europe to visit several European capitals. He will not return to Havana until eight months hence.

## STOCKMEN OBJECT TO POST-MORTEM

(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago, July 21.—The National Live Stock Exchange today appointed a committee consisting of W. H. Gampton, Chairman T. B. McPherson of Omaha and A. L. Keigler of St. Louis to call on the Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, and protest against the department rule forcing a post mortem inspection. They will demand that the ante-mortem system be substituted in its place.

## ROOSEVELT WIRE CONGRATULATIONS

(Scripps News Association)  
Oyster Bay, July 21.—President Roosevelt today wired his congratulations to the presidents of Guatemala, Honduras and Salvador for the success they had in coming to an agreement on the Marblehead treaty.

## WAR WITH MEXICO IS INEVITABLE

(Scripps News Association)  
Ft. Worth Tex., July 21.—E. J. Mather, an Ohio official of the Mexican railroad, is in his way home from Mexico and is taking his family to a place of safety. He says that war between the United States and Mexico is inevitable. He also says that Americans, Germans, and Englishmen who have property there have expressed the jealousy of the natives and the hatred is growing. The governments are unable to cope with the situation which will cause a war between the two nations within two months.

## PANAMA BONDS ALLOTTED

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, July 21.—Secretary Shaw today made a partial allotment of the Panama canal bonds. All national banks that bid higher than \$105.00 will get the bonds. Fifty have been designated as government depositories. Fisk and Robinson of New York will get the bulk.

## HARTE REPORTED SUICIDED

(Scripps News Association)  
Pittsburg, July 21.—Excitement was aroused in the city today over the Harte case by someone telephoning the police department headquarters that Augustus Harte had shot himself. An investigation disproved the fact. Harte is alive and well in the office of the city attorney.

## FIRE IN SAN JOSE

(Scripps News Association)  
San Jose, Cal., July 21.—The entire plant of the Pacific Press Publishing Co. at Mountain View was burned at midnight. The cause is unknown. The structure had been damaged by the recent earthquake. It was best equipped religious printing plant west of Chicago and was conducted by the seventh day adventists. The loss is \$300,000.

## RIOTERS APPEAR TO BE COWED

(Scripps News Association)  
St. Petersburg July 21.—The revolutionary element is today completely cowed. Troops have poured into the city for the last two days and show no signs of being disloyal, and for the most part soldiers have kept out of sight, but on every sign of pending disorder, an overwhelming force appears instantly from courtyards and quarters and the most unexpected places. Rioters are easily dispelled without resort to ball or cartridges. Treppoff dominates the government leaders. The Douma has admitted that it is impossible to do anything against the troops for fear of socialist members.

## WILL CONTINUE SIGNAL SCHOOL

(Scripps News Association)  
Fort Leavenworth, Kas., July 21.—The signal corps of the United States Army has been maintaining a school here, from which seven officers have graduated this year. The work of the institution has been attended with so much success that it will be continued next year. The new session opening about September 1, with four or five officers of the signal corps and as many more line officers, to whom it is considered advisable to impart the system of communication in the field, together with a knowledge of signal corps apparatus and equipment.

## HOLDING FIRST CITY ELECTION

(Scripps News Association)  
Pawhuska, Okla., July 21.—Pawhuska, which has made a sudden jump from an Indian agency to a full fledged city, is holding its first municipal election today and there is considerable enthusiasm throughout the city. A full set of city officials is being elected. There are only two tickets in the field and good men are on both tickets.

## AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S WEDDING

(Scripps News Association)  
London July 21.—The marriage of Austen Chamberlain former Chancellor of the Exchequer and Ivy Murial daughter of H. L. Dundas of Datchet Buckinghamshire was solemnized to-day in St. Margaret's Westminster in the presence of a large and brilliant assemblage of guests.

## DREYFUS OFFICIALLY DECORATED

(Scripps News Association)  
Paris July 21.—Upon the spot where he was degraded twelve years ago Dreyfus appeared this afternoon in his new uniform of a major and in the presence of assembled troops was officially decorated with the cross and legion of honor.

## WIRELESS FOR THE PHILIPPINES

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, D. C., July 21.—The Navy Department is preparing for the installation of six or seven wireless telegraph stations in the Philippines. The Navy has one there now, at Cavite, and shortly another station will be established at San Fernando Point, in Northern Luzon. The service is to be gradually expanded.

## FRISCO CARMEN'S TROUBLE OVER

(Scripps News Association)  
San Francisco, July 21.—Street carmen's union has off red a mecido between the striking linemen and united railroads. Arrangements were made this morning between the two unions and the carmen will take action upon the plan tonight, which will probably be favorable judging from present appearances, a preliminary conference for settlement will be held soon.

## BANK CLERK ARRESTED

(Scripps News Association)  
New York July 21.—Edward Frost a clerk in the national park bank was arrested today and accused of the theft of one hundred and fifty dollars.

## NARROW ESCAPE FOR AIRSHIP

(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago July 21.—Horace Wild while ascending in an airship skimmed the third rail of the elevated today and narrowly escaped destruction. The ballast was thrown out and the craft arose just in time to prevent a catastrophe.

## WILL PULL TEETH FOR FUN

(Scripps News Association)  
Asbury Park July 21.—The thirty-sixth annual convention of the New Jersey Dental Society opened here to-day in the big auditorium near the ocean. Several hundred dentists from all parts of the state are in attendance and many of them are accompanied by ladies. Special efforts have been made by the committee in charge of the preparations for the convention to make it as interesting and profitable as possible to the members. The headquarters of the delegates is at Columbia Hotel which is only a short distance from the Auditorium.

At the opening session this morning Dr. J. E. Duffield of Camden the president of the state association delivered his annual address. The rest of the forenoon was devoted to routine business and brief discussions of business matters. In the evening Dr. Eugene Talbot of Chicago will deliver a lantern lecture on "The Etiology and Pathology of Interstitial Gingivitis". The convention will last three or four days and there will be a number of interesting lectures on dental subjects illustrated by actual demonstrations. In connection with the convention an interesting exhibition of the latest and most improved appliances and instruments for dentistry and of various materials instruments, etc., used by dentists has been arranged.

## TREATY IS SIGNED AT HIGH SEA

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, July 21.—The government officials have been notified of the Central American peace which was signed at high seas on the Marblehead. There was an exchange of prisoners and the political prisoners were negotiated for.

## HUNDRED AND ONE YEARS OLD

(Scripps News Association)  
Woodstock, Conn., July 21.—Mr. Benjamin Warner, the oldest citizen of Woodstock is celebrating his 101st birthday today and his friends have arranged a celebration for this afternoon and evening at which several hundred of Mr. Warner's friends will be present. Mr. Warner was born in Providence, R. I., but has lived here for more than half a century. His wife, whom he married in 1832, died five years ago, after they had celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary. His son, Capt. A. G. Warner, took part in the Civil War and fell at Ashland, Va. The local Grand Army post is named after him.

## OVERCOME BY HEAT ON ICE

(Scripps News Association)  
St. Louis, July 21.—George Yoman while carrying a chunk of ice into a residence was oppressed by the heat and sat down on the ice. Presently he rolled over unconscious from heat prostration.

## BAD JAP GOES ON WAR PATH

Pandemonium reigned early this morning in the Japanese quarters. T. Gonta is the chief figure in the affair. He arrived in La Grande not many days ago and has been making life miserable for his countrymen ever since. The beginning of the end came last evening when about eight o'clock he approached the quarters and asked one Y. Kato to give him five dollars. Of course Kato failed to see the heft of the arguments and flatly denied him the gift.

During the evening Kato retired and fell into a peaceful slumber, no doubt dreaming of some dusky damsel in far away Japan only to be awakened by a pounding at his door. Hastily getting up he opened the door and his man of the evening previous loomed up. Gonta asked him if the money was forthcoming and on learning that it was not, drew one of the wickedest revolvers ever seen by the local police and started a bombardment. The first shot went high. The next one grazed Kato's shins. Kato's bedmate was aroused and opened his eyes to look into the muzzle of the gun. The invader sent a bullet or two after the man in bed but did nothing other than to damage the papering.

Chas. Mitzoguski, who is in charge of the Jap boarding house, called Night Officer Waldron and had the bad actor arrested. He was arraigned this afternoon at three o'clock before Justice of the Peace Hough.

To an Onseguas representative who visited the scene of the disturbance, the three dozen Japs all wanted to talk at the same time, and the man who came so near being hit was especially anxious that the world at large should know of the badness of Gonta. With the exception of the manager, they are still walking about with wabbling knees. When Gonta had finished his little target practice there were several 48 calibre holes in the walls and floor. The drift of the many voices all talking at the same time seemed to be that the highbinder has been driven from nearly every large city in the West and is considered a lazy and good for nothing sort of fellow. Shooting and gambling seems to be his past time.

## MAY INCARCERATE THAW IN ASYLUM

(Scripps News Association)  
New York, July 21.—It is stated that the friends of Stanford White will cooperate with Thaw's mother in an effort to suppress the trial, and incarcerate Harry Thaw in an insane asylum, should the prisoner persist in the retention of a personal counsel. It is likely that Harry's mother will apply for guardianship papers declaring that her son is incapable of caring for himself.

Mrs. William Thaw and daughter, Mrs. Geo. Carnegie, and Mrs. Harry Thaw visited the prisoner this morning.

## FIRST SHOWING OF FALL SKIRTS

We just received by express a fine showing of advance styles in fall skirts, we call attention to our ladies' ready to wear department which represents some of the best showings of ready to wear garments in the county

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