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FARMERS & TRADERS NATIONAL BANK SHORTAGE WILL EXCEED \$120,000

FEAR VALUABLE PAPER IS LOST

HALF HAS NEVER BEEN TOLD IN BANK CASE. Conservative Estimate of Shortage in Farmers & Traders National Bank is \$120,000—Very Likely More Than That—Believed Good Paper Burned in Haste to Cover Up Shortage—Uncover Now and Clever Trick—May Mean Life Imprisonment.

There is every indication that the worst has never been told concerning the failure of the Farmers & Traders National bank of this city. The defalcations and unlawful acts of Cashier J. W. Scriber are manifold and it may require weeks, if ever, to ascertain, all of his financial contortions. Those who were led to believe that the statement first sent to the controller of the currency, wherein it was stated that the assets were \$168,221, and the liabilities \$213,535, would prove under that amount instead of over, are doomed to disappointment. It is reported that the shortage is now in the neighborhood of \$125,000, and it may exceed this a few thousand, or it may reach an amount a few thousand less. It is rumored that the Saturday night prior to the closing of

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LAST MAD EFFORT TO LAND NEW YORK STATE

BRYAN SPENDS MOST OF WEEK WHERE KEYNOTE IS LOCATED. Bryan Will Tour New York State This Week—Elaborate Preparations Are Made for His Royal Entertainment.

New York, Oct. 25.—A last strenuous attempt to carry the Empire state for democracy will be made this week by W. J. Bryan. The candidate will be given a reception at 5:30 this afternoon by the National Democratic club, at its club house in Fifth avenue, and an hour later a dinner will be given the candidate at the club house, to which about 100 prominent democrats will be present. The committee plans to have the 100 diners act as an escort to Mr. Bryan in a torchlight drive down Fifth avenue and to Madison Square Garden, where he will deliver a speech tonight.

Tomorrow he will speak in Brooklyn, and the next night at Albany. On Thursday he will speak in Syracuse, and on Friday in Buffalo. He will then hurry to Chicago and speak there on Saturday. The present plan of the committee is to have Mr. Bryan wind up the campaign with a speech at Omaha the night before election.

Pictures.

Nice pictures—not expensive—at Ferguson's.

NEGRO MURDERER NOW ON TRIAL

DAY SPENT IN SELECTING THE JURORS FOR CASE. First Murder Case in Union County Since 1904 Called in Circuit Court This Morning—Day Spent in Picking 12 Men in Whose Hands Will Hang Life of Murderer—Interest Intense—Many Witnesses From Smaller Towns Here.

The first murder trial in this county since December, 1904, was commenced in the circuit court today, when a jury to try James Moore, who shot and killed a negro shepherd near Telocaset last summer, was being selected. It seems that the jury will not be complete until tomorrow morning, though seven had been selected at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. This is one of the most sensational

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Harrison Unveiling.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 25.—All the details have been completed for the exercises which will mark the unveiling tomorrow of the magnificent statue of the late President Benjamin Harrison. The principal address of the occasion will be made by Vice-President Fairbanks.

WILSON TO SEND LEGAL CONCENSUS

HAS STUDIED SCRIBER DEFALCATIONS IN THE BANK. Head National Bank Examiner Will Mail His Report to the Legal Department at Washington Tomorrow Night—Has Been Here Several Days Primarily to Probe Status of the Rotten Bank—His Report Held Secret—New Man Coming.

"No Admittance Today" is the sign that is tacked to the front door of the Farmers & Traders National bank. The cause of this sign is presumably on account of the fact that the new receiver who is to take the place of Claude Gatch, will be here tomorrow, according to messages received today, and Gatch is getting ready to turn matters over to him.

Head Examiner Here.

Head National Bank Examiner Wilson of Seattle, is about to wind up and mail to the legal department of the government, a report on Scriber's misdoings. He has been here several days preparing the report and it is understood there will be nothing more for him to do after tomorrow, on that report. It is secret. The primary reason for his presence is the requirement of legal details which he is digging out for the department of Justice.

CLUB WOMAN OF NOTE IS COMING TO LA GRANDE

REV. JEAN O. FERRIS TO COME TO CONVENTION.

Pleasing Announcement to Women is Made by Portland Journal—She Has Rare Ability as Reader and Speaker.

Officers of the Oregon federation consider themselves particularly fortunate in having secured the presence of Rev. Jeannette O. Ferris for the La Grande convention, writes Sarah A. Evans, president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs in the Sunday Journal. Among other things she says:

Mrs. Ferris is a lecturer of marked ability, a reader of wide and favorable reputation and with it all an enthusiastic club woman. She is particularly interested in civic and legislative work and for some years has been chairman of the legislative committee of the Michigan state federation. In writing of her, Mrs. Smith, president of Michigan, says: "It affords me great pleasure to commend the platform work of Rev. Jeannette O. Ferris. Her voice is musical and well modulated; her thought clear and logical, her conclusions definite and convincing. The thorough, energetic way in which she is managing the work of the important committee of which she is chairman (legislative) is proof that whatever she undertakes she will do well. For an afternoon address or entertainment or for an evening lecture for which her repertoire is full and varied, she cannot be too highly recommended."

During the convention Mrs. Ferris will give, perhaps, two readings and a talk on "The Responsibility of Opportunity."

Preparing for Wedding.

Elkins, W. Va., Oct. 25.—The much discussed betrothal of the duke of Abruzzi and Katherine Elkins, was taken for accepted fact today through what was apparently a confirmation of the engagement by Mrs. Elkins, when she said she did not know herself, when the wedding was to occur. She said her servants were leaving the Elkins' country residence to put the Washington home in order for the wedding.

Carolina Fair.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 25.—The South Carolina state fair opened its gates this morning for its annual exhibition, which will extend to Friday night. Every variety of art and industry in South Carolina is represented among the exhibits, and the amusements include a fine program of racing, football and other sports.

JAMES GAVIN IS SERIOUSLY HURT

CHANCES FOR RECOVERY ARE FEW, SAY DOCTORS.

Injured Engineer is Still Alive, and Unless Infection Sets in Has Fair Chance for Recovery—Infection, However, Very Likely—Was Caught on Engine by Stock Car—Splinter Bored Hole into Body That Broke Internal Bones.

James Gavin, one of the young main line engineers employed out of this point, lies today at the hospital battling with death as a result of frightful injuries sustained Saturday night while pulling the second section of No. 5 out of the yards.

Though he is still alive, his chances for recovery are few, due to the liability of infection, rather than to the fatality of the injuries themselves, even though they are excruciatingly painful. A splinter, presumably of wood, bored a hole into his body below the abdomen, carrying with it bits of clothing and breaking a piece from the pelvic bone. Miraculously, Mr. Gavin alive today.

Two Escapes.

The wreck, though liable to claim its victim, is remarkable for two things in that Gavin escaped instant death from two sources. Had he been sitting in the engineer's seat when the crash came, his death would have been instantaneous. Had the splinter not been diverted upward after piercing the body, it would have severed the large artery which lies buried in the flesh of the thigh.

How Accident Happened.

Saturday night Gavin was assigned to the head engine of a double-headed section of No. 5. After the train had gained considerable momentum, Gavin raised to a standing posture, devoting his attention to the lubricator. While passing the stockyards his engine struck a partially cleared track that had not been cleared of the main line. The cowcatcher ram struck the car which needed but a few inches of clearing, but instead of derailing it, merely tipped the car the full extent of the springs. A moment later it rebounded and caught the cab of the engine on the right side with a terrific jolt.

Throws on the Air.

His last act was to be thrown on the air. The impact, when the cowcatcher struck, caused him to do this. The next instant he was suffering horrible

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Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday Specials

These prices good only for these three days. Remember you can do better at the FAIR.

\$5.00 Baby Bear-Skin Coats, Sale Price, \$3.98 Each.	\$1.25 Large Cotton Battings, Sale Price, 89c Size 72x84.	\$1.75 to \$2.00 Black Sateen Skirts, Sale Price, \$1.19	\$9.00 to \$9.50 men's Overcoats Sale Price, \$5.95
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These Bargains For Three Days Only

\$1.25 to \$1.50 Odds and ends of our Kid Gloves, Sale Price, 93c A Pair.	\$2.75 Sateen Covered Comforts Sale Price, \$2.29 Each.	\$1.50 Guaranteed Black Taffeta, Sale Price, \$1.17 A Yard.	35c Large Turkish Towels, Sale Price, 23c Each.
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The Large Store With the Small Prices

The Store That Undersells The Rest	The Fair Store SATISFACTION OR YOUR MONEY BACK	100 Knit Shawls Sale Price 69c ea.
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GOMPHER'S REPLY TO ROOSEVELT

THINKS PRESIDENT IS A DEMAGOGUE OF FIRST TYPE

Washington, D. C., Oct. 25.—Gompers today issued a formal reply to President Roosevelt's letter to Senator Knox, regarding the attitude of labor in the campaign. He says: "President Roosevelt made Taft a candidate, and seeing that the labor vote is aroused and the toiler cannot be cajoled he became desperate. In his anger, by the worst exhibition of demagogism, he tried to instill into the employes a fear that prosperity would be endangered if a square deal was accorded the workers. It throws the influence of his office into the scales against the interests of other citizens."

UNCOVER CHINESE PLOT.

Planned to Kill Officials When Atlantic Armada Reached Amoy.

Amoy, China, Oct. 25.—Chinese officials are taking summary measures to stamp out a plot for the general massacre of high Chinese officials by revolutionists. It was planned as a tragic accompaniment of the arrival of the American fleet. The reception grounds were recently swept clean by the recent typhoon, but have now been put in shape for the festivities. The bamboo structures which are now being constructed, will take the place of the ruined buildings. There will be no change in the program. The fleet is due Friday.

Sunday Baseball Scores.

Portland, 5-5; Oakland, 4-1. San Francisco, 4-2; Los Angeles, 2-

THERE ARE NO TRIFLING COLDS

Any cough is serious enough to have prompt and right attention, because there are so many serious things that start from coughs. The germs of pneumonia and consumption can attack weakened lungs only and the lowered vitality that follows colds and coughs makes conditions favorable. What we wish to urge is this: Find a reliable, harmless cough cure, and keep a supply on hand constantly. When any member of the family develops a cough, start the remedy promptly. The remedy we think should be

Newlin's White Pine Expectorant

It is impossible for a cough to become serious where this remedy is used as soon as the cough comes. It cures as quickly as a thorough remedy can, and cures permanently because naturally.

It Must Give Entire Satisfaction or your money Back

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