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LONG JOURNEY ENDS IN DEATH

HONEST BANKRUPT FOUND IN PENDLETON CARPENTER

OREGON NEWS IN BRIEF

MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 5.—Coming all the way from Pennsylvania to see his brother J. C. Cooks, residing in this city, Christopher Cooks elderly, dropped dead in front of his brother's residence today. Heart trouble was the cause.

Suicide at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Oreg., April 5.—Authorities are trying to learn the identity, man found dead in a woodpile near the depot here tonight. He drank carbolic acid. He was well dressed.

An Honest Bankrupt.

PORTLAND, April 5.—Impelled by a desire to deal absolutely fair with his creditors, Charles P. Ford, a Pendleton carpenter, included all clothes he possesses as assets named in a involuntary plea for bankruptcy here. His liabilities are \$389.97; and assets including clothes worth \$20, are estimated \$75.

Land Grabbers Gather.

PORTLAND, April 5.—Formal appearance in answer to subpoenas were made in the federal court today by 46 purchasers of tranted lands from Harriman in second suit by government to secure forfeiture of all lands in Oregon granted to Harriman Railroads by Congress in 1866.

COVE DEFEATS UNION.

Fruit Packers Trim Blanket Makers In Slow Game at Cove.

COVE, April 5, (Special).—The game here yesterday between Union and Cove was a very tame affair after the first few innings. After that the Union team went up into the air and the Fruit Packers had it all their own way. There was nothing doing in the first, and during the second one lone score was marked up for each team. In the fourth, Cove came to the front with three, and likewise again in the sixth. Union plucked up a little courage in their half of the ninth, and brought a straggler home, but it was no use. Final score, Cove 7, Union 2. Batteries—Cove, Smith and Gibson; Union, Sheets, McMillan and Davis.

SHIP TOTTERING ON HUGE ROCK

PASSENGERS AND CREW STILL ON HOPELESSLY WRECKED VESSEL

LOS ANGELES, April 5.—(By wireless)—Resting in a precarious position on rocks in Magdalena bay, its crew still aboard and carrying passengers from the Pacific Mail steamship Indiana, the armored cruiser California, has been stranded since yesterday.

There is but little danger unless an east wind should come up. She carries a cargo of \$500,000.

There is no hope of saving the wreck and it has been declared almost a complete loss.

NAPLES BOWS TO COL. ROOSEVELT

STORM AT SEA PREVENT PROMPT LANDING AT NAPLES

NATIVES CLUSTER ABOUT

NAPLES, April 5.—The Hamburg, with Col. Roosevelt aboard, arrived at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Roosevelt landed at the arsenal, and Mr. Roosevelt whisked away in Duke Ascotti's automobile for luncheon. Ambassador Griscom went down the bay in his launch to meet the Hamburg.

The streets and public buildings are draped with American and Italian flags. The various legations and consulates are wearing riot color. For the past two days, visitors from interior have been arriving to see the ex-president. A storm at sea prevented prompt landing of the ship this morning.

COMEDY BILL AT PASTIME.

Two very amusing comedy reels of pictures at the Pastime tonight will make you laugh for a month—and then Billy Sanborn the imitable Chink and Dago comedian put on some stunts that can't be equalled West of New York.

Bordeaux and La Jeunesse appear for the first time in La Grande tonight, and these clever dancers do five different styles of dancing—something very seldom seen in a dancing team.

Fred Swaney is reported to be improving quite rapidly at Hot Lake.

UNION HARDWARE COMPANY ROBBED

VALUABLES TOTALING \$150, TAKEN FROM STORE LAST NIGHT

THOUGHT CLUE IS FOUND

UNION, April 5.—(Special)—Robbers last night entered and robbed the F. W. Davis hardware store. Entrance was effected through the rear doors after a glass had been broken and the lock picked from within. Among the articles known to have been stolen are: One shot gun valued at \$30; two revolvers one worth \$15.50 and the other \$5.50. Pocket knives valued at more than \$100 also disappeared and the cash drawer was cleaned of its contents—something like \$3.50.

The robbery occurred between the hours of midnight and 4 this morning, but as far as the public knows, no trace of the men has been found. It is thought the authorities have a strong clue.

A FREAK ADDRESS.

Letter Destined to Innaha Wallowa County, Taxes Mail Clerk.

An example of what railroad mail clerks have to contend with is contained in the following address properly deciphered on the mainline this morning: Mrs. ———— Iammia Walla Wa co., Oregon. Just how the fellow who handles the mails figured it out that the address is destined to Innaha, Wallowa county Oregon, is somewhat of a puzzle. But he did it.

STATE BOARD OF CURRICULA MEETS

WILL DETERMINE COURSE THAT DUPLICATE AT BIG SCHOOLS

SALEM, April 5.—The State Board of high school curricula met at the capitol this afternoon for the first time. There is little to do except to organize and outline the future work. The members are: Principal J. R. Wilson, of Portland Academy; Representative Beals, of Tillamook; O. P. Coshov, of Roseburg; State Senators C. J. Smith, of Pendleton and J. E. Hedges, of Oregon City. The board will determine what courses of study will be duplicated Oregon Agricultural College, University of Oregon.

MAKES WOOD TALK.

Talking and walking mechanical men, with a team of society comedy sketch artists, is the slate at the scenic. The shop opens its doors tonight on a new bill including all new scenic features. "Coney Island" is the title of a feature film. To hear the ventrillist is surely a great treat. Attend the scenic tonight before listening to the band concert.

Roundhouse News.

Workmen were busy making minor repairs on the turntable today. Engine 210, one of the new passenger engines being prepared for the service on this division, will be put into commission tomorrow.

Number 158 is receiving new tubes and a general overhauling.

IN BED 60 DAYS.

Injuries sustained by O'Brien painful But Not Critical.

Personal letters from Jack O'Brien at Hannibal, Missouri, say that while he is still on the sheets as the results of quite serious injury received while working out with a baseball club recently he is not in a critical condition by any means and will be out again in something like 60 days. His shoulder was badly hurt and his ankle is still "the size of Jack's head" says the letter.

Traveling Engineer Johnnie Shea, now located at Portland, but until recently a resident of this city, arrived last evening on an official visit to this point.

SNOW WELCOMED BY THE FARMERS

LIGHT SNOW SATURATES AND RETARDS FRUIT BUDDING

Big round simolians are represented in the light fall of snow that mantled nearly all of Union county yesterday evening and today. The melting snow will saturate areas where heavy rainstorms do not soak in, but drain off without doing the land any particular good. Farmers are united in elation over the light snow.

Fruitmen are no less pleased for the occasional cold and wintry weather in retarding fruit budding in such a way that it will avoid subsequent killing by frosts. Though a trifle unpleasant to city folks the snow is a blessing to the farming and fruit districts that is hard to express in figures.

MONEY GATHERERS AT LAND OFFICE

EBERHARD HAS RECEIVED HIS BOND FROM WASHINGTON

Money is accumulating at the U. S. land office here pending the installation of Colon R. Eberhard as receiver, an event that is hardly anticipated for three weeks yet. Those who buy land or make final proof deposit money with the register who acts as keeper of the moneys until the receiver's office will be resumed. Considerable money was deposited in this way today when several made final proof on homesteads. Mr. Eberhard has received his bond blanks and has forwarded them to Washington.

Those who made proof today are: Charles Beeles, Wallula; Arthur Miller, Promise; August Arp, Pendleton and John Butler, Pendleton.

DOCTOR ORDERED DOSE.

The quartet arrested Saturday for disorderly conduct was arraigned this morning at the Roseburg court who assessed them \$10 each. The two men from Baker county have not paid their fines and will work it out on the streets. The officers, after investigating, believe liquor was brought here Friday night by the Baker City men. All maintain this is a fact. However one of the four says he applied to a local physician for a prescription for a pint of brandy which he secured.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hall and Miss Jessie Matheson of Illinois are registered at the Foley house.

TRUST BUSTERS ATTACK STANDARD

IF GOVERNMENT WINS NEW JERSY COMPANY MUST DISSOLVE

ALL EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY

ROCKEFELLER'S ATTORNEY GETS \$1000 EACH DAY

One of the most remarkable cases in Jurisprudence Opened at St. Louis Today—Will Mean Tremendous Loss to Standard Oil if Government Wins Suit.

ST. LOUIS, April 5.—Before the four Judges of the United States Circuit Court for the Eighth Judicial Circuit the final chapter in the government's three-year war to disrupt the Standard Oil company was begun today. For ten days or two weeks attorneys for the government and for the Standard Oil company and its 100 co-defendants will make final argument on the evidence already collected at hearings held in many of the important cities of the United States and before which some of the most prominent financiers of America were called. John D. Rockefeller was not present at the hearing today.

Under the procedure of the Circuit Court only that evidence can be presented which has already been gathered and printed. Instead of living men telling the story of the growth of the octopus, a dray load of call-bound volumes will furnish the facts. After the attorneys have explained the importance and significance of the replies of Mr. Rodgers as to rate so and go granted to such an oil company, their honors, the judges will decorously withdraw from the court room and by a process about as exhilarating as reading the encyclopedia decide whether or not the Standard has for two-score years violated the laws of the country.

The umpires who will decide the case are Judges Walter H. Sanborn, Willis Van Devanter, William C. Hook and Elmer B. Adams.

The government forces today were marshalled by Frank B. Kellogg, official trust buster. He is one of the few men who has been connected with the case all through its circuitous course. Charles B. Morrison of Chicago, was his chief assistant.

Moritz Rosenthal and John S. Miller, who shattered the Landis twenty-nine million bubble fine, appeared for the Standard. There were a half dozen others seated behind the breast-work of law books stacked on the counsel table. Rosenthal draws a salary of \$1,000 per day while arguing the case.

If the Government wins a permanent injunction will be issued prohibiting the Standard from carrying on its business with the companies through which it is said to carry out its conspiracy against the United States. A series of injunctions are asked which effectually end the business of the Standard and its subsidiary companies.

Agent Lowry Back.

F. K. Lowry, agent for the American Light and Wax company, returned to La Grande this morning after a week's absence in Boise and other south Idaho points on business for his company.

Three Elgin Divorces.

Papers in threedivorce suits came over from Elgin this morning.

No Freight Thieves.

Mr. E. B. Wood, special agent of the O. R. & N., is in La Grande, but says that none of our citizens are suspected of stealing freight.

You Are Invited

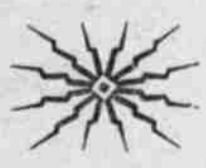
to visit this store at any time to inspect our new spring lines, whether you intend buying at the time or not.

Our Stock Is Complete

in every detail, and should you want anything from a yard of calico to the newest tailor-made spring suit, WE HAVE IT.



EASTER



will soon be here. Now is the time to get your new suit and hat.

Just received a delayed shipment of hand-tailored suits and skirts. COME IN AND SEE THEM.

THE FAIR