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NORMAL IS BANKRUPT

SALEM, April 6.—People of Ashland have withdrawn \$1500 deposited in the state treasury for the maintenance of the Ashland normal school until the close of the year. Action was taken because the executive committee of the state board of normal school regents would not receive the money unless it was donated with the express consent that the donors

shall not ask the legislature in 1911 to reimburse them.

This means the instantaneous death of the school, while the Monmouth and Weston schools will finish the year. Teachers will go away unpaid and the students near graduation will not be awarded sheepskins. Reports from Ashland say the students are hopeful that rescue will come from some other source.

A. Y. P. EXHIBITS FROM LA GRANDE

CHAIR OF EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS VISITS THE CITY

La Grande's schools will send exhibits to the A. Y. P., at least such is the indication today. Reuben P. Conklin, superintendent of schools in Multnomah county and chairman of schools in Multnomah county and chairman of the Oregon educational display at Seattle, arrived last evening to confer with County Superintendent Bragg and City Superintendent Stockenberry, on this subject and the outcome was that some sort of exhibition will be sent from here.

Mr. Conklin went west on the morning train.

RAFFELS ARRIVES.

Dave Raffels the ventriloquist, who was due to arrive last evening to fill his engagement, did not come until this morning. He is now here with his feature attraction and will show tonight. The society comedy sketch was a solid streak of laughter last evening. It is funny and will draw many to the scenic.

Lady cremated

DES MOINES MOTHERS FIGHT TAX

DES MOINES, Iowa, April 6.—The City Union of Des Moines is much stirred up over the "stocking" duty. Mrs. Maitland, president of the Logan Mothers' club, has given notice that she will call the attention of the City Union tonight to the subject and with others ladies will discuss it. Mrs. Maitland is particularly interested because she is head of a club, twenty of whose thirty-one members were visited by the stork in one year.

Attorney Hodgkin has filed petition to probate the will of W. D. Shell, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mapes of Elgin are here this evening transacting business and visiting friends.

MONTREAL BUSY.

Great Amount of Ship Head That Way This Season.

MONTREAL, April 6.—There is every prospect that the shipping season, now opening, will be a very busy one. At least six new steamers will run here this season, representing an increase of 52,905 tonnage. The new floating crane will be in use, and two new transporters will be extended to the Jacques Cartier pier for the convenience of vessels loading at that point. The White Star Dominion line will herald their arrival on the St. Lawrence by the introduction of their two steamers, the triple-screw Laurentic and the twin-screw Margartic, each of 15,300 tons. The other lines will maintain their usual strength.

TRAVELER HAS STRANGE MANIA

CANADIAN HAS FORGOTTEN HIS WHEREABOUTS COMPLETELY

BELLINGHAM, April 6.—Kenneth Martin a wealthy hotel proprietor of Rossland, B. C. with his memory a complete blank from the time he left his home on a trip to Spokane and Vancouver, lies in a serious condition at the hotel here. He was taken from a Great Northern train here Sunday. He finally recovered consciousness, but insisted he is still in his hotel home. He converses on all subjects rationally, except his whereabouts. His condition is supposed to be due to an affliction of his kidneys.

ROBBER HELD IN JAIL UNTILL JUNE

ARRAIGNED THIS MORNING BUT HE WAIVED EXAMINATIONS

Kid Carlton who robbed store in Union Sunday Night, Today Placed in County Jail to Await June Term of Court—Tell Tale Blood Stains are Found.

Kid Carlton, the self styled retired pugilist who robbed the Davis hardware store in Union of guns, knives and revolvers Sunday night, has confessed the crime, and claims to have an accomplice. This morning he was taken before Justice Stewart where he waived examination and was conducted by Constable Faulk to the county jail. He will come to trial when the Circuit Court convenes in June.

The officers think that Carlton's story of an accomplice is untrue because blood stains found in the case from which knives were taken are just such as would be made from the cuts on his fingers, and his story is at times self contradictory.

After robbing the store Carlton, so his story runs, cut through the fields this side of Union and on the farm of Ed Miller, hid a shot gun and a rifle. He brought the rest of the stolen goods to La Grande, traded a cheap revolver to one of the Halsten stores for a suit case and a dollar to boot. Taking the suit case to a room rented from F. M. Hartness he drew the knives into it. Yesterday he was taken back to the Miller farm where the cache containing the two guns was pointed out.

Carlton is the man who was sent from here to the county hospital some ten days ago. He remained in the hospital about a week, and was noticed loafing around the Davis store for several days prior to the robbery. The articles stolen were enumerated in the Observer last evening.

SHY OF LAW SUITS.

Water Users of Ladd Creek Think Law Suits Costly.

Realizing the litigation is expensive business, water users living about and below the mouth of Ladd Creek met this afternoon in the Commercial club rooms and discussed through their attorneys measures for compromising the numerous cases that promise to arise in that vicinity over water rights. The stenographer's fees alone in the case of Cavines vs City of La Grande et al. are said to be about \$2500.

ROOSEVELT AT MESSINA.

MESSINA, April 6.—Roosevelt and Mr. Water Griscom arrived here at 2:20 this afternoon. King Emanuel and Queen Helena met the party at the wharf.

SLOT MACHINES MUST VAMOOSE

MILLIONS WILL BE SAVED IN THE PURCHASE OF CIGARS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—The last phase of public gambling here will disappear when the ordinance abolishing slot machines of all kinds becomes effective, July 1. San Franciscans and visitors will thus cease to pay the annual toll of \$12,000,000 to take a chance on getting rich. The machines number 3200 and are valued at \$45,000.

LONG BEACH VOTING.

Local Option Spreads to Resort Places—Election is on.

HEMPSTEAD, L. I., April 6.—As the necessary number of signatures to insure on the local option question, that question will be submitted at the election today. The Long Beach and Garden City hotels are deeply interested, and will roll up a big vote for liquor selling.

TO HOLD NO CLOSED RACES.

NEW YORK, April 6.—The Jamaica Bay Racing association holds its annual election of officers today. It is announced that no closed races will be held, but all yachts of the clubs will be free to enter.

LADY CREMATED BY ONTARIO FIRE

AGED INVALID MEETS GRUESOME DEATH IN BURNING HOUSE

ONTARIO, April 6.—Mrs. R. A. Lockett, an aged and infirm lady of this city was cremated in her home last night by a fire which destroyed her home. She was an invalid and unable to get out of the burning structure.

Mrs. Lockett was the wife of Malheur's county's first representative and was a pioneer of the earliest type.

LONG BRIDGE AT ARLINGTON DESTROYED BY CONFLAGRATION

OVER FIVE HUNDRED PASSENGERS HELD AT THE GULCH WHILE AID ARRIVES

FIREMEN UNABLE TO REACH BURNING STRUCTURE

ARLINGTON, Ogn., April 6.—A link was cut out of the main line the O. R. & N. road this morning by the burning of a bridge spanning a deep gulch below the depot here. The Cheyenne train, due in Portland 7:20 this morning, and the Spokane flyer are both delayed. The flyer was close to the bridge, and the other train just behind it. All told, 500 passengers of both trains were gazing at the wreck.

Some supports are still burning, which is due to the fact that the gravity water system of the volunteer fire department is not sufficient. Sand was hurled at the flames. The fire was caused by a hobo in the box car. While volunteers are fighting flames word was sent to head off two approaching trains. J. B. Eddy, who was on the train, took charge of affairs. He has sent in all directions for new supports.

REFRACTORY LINOTYPE DELAYS PAPER

The Observer is late in delivery tonight and a trifle short of reading matter on account of continued refusals on the part of the new linotype to do its part of the work according to the plans laid down for it by the

builder. Occasional delays are always to be expected for two or three weeks after a new machine is installed. Unless the unforeseen should occur tomorrow, the paper will be issued at regular hours.

FIRE THREATENS LOS ANGELES HOMES

LOS ANGELES, April 6.—What threatens to be one of the most disastrous fires in the history of the city broke out this afternoon on the third floor of the wholesale paper

warehouse of A. Zellerbach and Sons. All houses in the vicinity are threatened. Covered by the flames, two firemen saved their lives by crawling down a ven pipe.

CYCLONE IN ILLINOIS.

MARION, Ill., April 6.—Reports of cyclone sweeping this part of the state today indicate several are dead and not less than 100 homes ruined. News from Pittsburg, six miles dis-

tant, say that the town is partially destroyed.

Father Wyte took his departure this morning for Wallowa where he conducted funeral services today.

TRUSTS WILL BE NATION'S GRIEF

GOVERNMENT'S SUIT ATTRACTS MUCH GENERAL ATTENTION

Standard's Attorneys File Briefs That Say Size of Concern is no Monopoly—Contends That Exclusive Control is Not Contrary to Constitution.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—"If combinations like Standard Oil Co. are permitted to continue unchecked, in time American citizens will be excluded from engaging in any enterprise, all your children will be wage earners, and mere employees of corporations controlled by a few," declared Trust Buster Kellogg today in resuming his argument in the government's disolution suit against the Standard Oil Co. Kellogg analyzed the Sherman act, saying it prohibited formation of such companies as the Standard.

Standard attorneys today filed brief outlining the contentions of the defense.

The brief declares size does not constitute monopoly, even if it involves exclusive control unless such control is the result of a conspiracy or combination in restraint of trade.

OKLAHOMA CITY SHORT.

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 6.—A special election is being called for today for the issuance of \$35,000 in bonds to fill up the treasury, which is depleted because of the heavy court costs. Warrants dated a month back have to await the raising of funds, so the action is imperatively required.

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.



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