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## PASSENGER RUN UP SNAKE RIVER

NEW EPOCH IN NORTHWEST HISTORY MARKED THEN

Quietly The Northwestern Has Been Making Preparation For This Event—Announcement Came as Surprise—Will Have Robinette as Terminal For The Present—Will Eventually Have River Grade From Huntington to Lewiston.

HUNTINGTON, April 14.—(Special) Tomorrow morning the first passenger train to traverse the Northwestern road up the Snake river will leave here and will run to Robinette, at the mouth of Powder River. This inaugurates passenger traffic up the Snake and until the road is extended on toward Lewiston, that town will be the terminal.

Tickets went on sale today for intermediate and terminal points.

The service will mark a new epoch in the development of this section of Idaho and furnish splendid facilities for sheepmen and miners on the Oregon side, touching the Snake.

Few have been really cognizant of the fact that railroad construction has been so rapid on the river grade. Consequently when the announcement was made in Baker City today that service would be started tomorrow there has been a feeling of elation and surprise rampant every where.

PENDLETON, Oregon, April 14.—In a confession today the alleged swindler giving his name as Davis, admitted he is Dexter Roberts, the former resident of Umatilla county.

He attempted to swindle the Heppner bank out of \$500.

A new and improved program goes into effect at the scenic tonight. Be on hand to enjoy it.

ADVANCE MAN HERE.

Parker Show Company "Fixing" Details for Performances.

Advance Agent Cohn with the Parker carnival shows, which are to present their spectacular attractions in La Grande early in May, is here today discussing matters of importance with the organization under which the show comes. He affirms his show is making tremendous hits everywhere. The proceeds will go to the park and to a fourth of July celebration fund.

ROOSEVELT A DAMAGE.

ROME, April 14.—J. Pierpont Morgan is quoted today as declaring to a friend: "Roosevelt's name will pass into history as one who caused an incalculable commercial and financial damage to America."

## WRECKED BANK TO PAY IN FULL

PRAIRIE CITY INSTITUTION NO LOSS TO ITS DEPOSITORS

PRAIRIE CITY, April 14.—(Special) By the consumation of a sale completed at Baker City yesterday evening when the Dixie Meadow mining property was sold to Spokane capitalists, the defunct Prairie City bank will be able to pay its depositors dollar for dollar.

The mine in question was heavily debted to the defunct institution and as the sale was largely for cash, the debt was paid off permitting the bank to pay out.

There is no intimation that the bank will reopen.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE SEASON IS OPEN

SAME FOUR AT HEAD OF LIST IS INDICATED

Can Chicago Win Again, is Paramount Question Brought Vividly to Foreground Today as Result of Opening of National League—New York Strong—Cincinnati is Strongest of The Lesser Lights in Big Organization.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Can the Chicago Cubs "come on" again?

This is the paramount question in the National League, whose thirtieth season opens this afternoon. It is paramount for the reason that if the Cubs do win it will be their fourth successive pennant and the equalling of a record that has stood since 1875, when the old Boston club, under Harry Wright, won its fourth straight championship.

Five times since then a team has managed to crowd three pennants in a row. Should Frank Chance break the seeming limit and breast the tape ahead of the others this year, he will be given credit for achieving the greatest feat ever accomplished in baseball, for the national game now compared with the time when Boston made its record, is a different proposition and one that demands far more cunning and executive ability.

Chicago had such a terrific struggle to nose out the New York Giants last year, being saved through the now historical blunder of substitute first baseman Fred Merkle, who failed to win a game against the Cubs by forgetting to touch second base after a hit had been scored what should have been the winning run, that thousands of fans are brave enough to hope that

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## GIRL MOTHER IS FACING DEATH

UNUSUAL SPECTACLE SEEN IN NEW YORK COURT

Murder of Dr. Auspitz Aired in Court Today—Girl-Mother With Six-months Old Child in Her Arms Pleads Guilty to Manslaughter—Dead Doctor Betrayed Sixteen Year—Old Girl—Will be Sentenced Next Friday—in Jail Again.

NEW YORK, April 14.—The spectacle of a woman, scarcely more than a girl, with a six months' old baby in her arms, on trial for her life, was presented in Justice Blanchard's court today when Sarah Koten answered for the killing of Dr. Samuel Auspitz. Attorneys for the defense announced they would attempt to deny their client killed the doctor. The base of defense is on the plea of emotional insanity founded on the as certain the girl was driven mad by Auspitz betrayal of her.

After consultation with the district attorney, attorney for the defense of girl withdrew the charge of not guilty and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the first degree. She was remanded to the custody of the sheriff to await her sentence which will be passed Friday.

## MANY THOUSAND ACRES HELD OUT

GOVERNMENT GIVES AID TO PRIVATE RECLAMATION PROJECT

Next to the most important move on the part of the government to aid reclamation in Eastern Oregon, become known in La Grande today when Register F. C. Bramwell received instructions from the Secretary of the interior to withdraw from entry all townships of land in the vicinity of Baker City, and that land will be put under reclamation by private people.

This action will be a tremendous elixir of wealth for the entire section coming under jurisdiction of this order. The district included in this vast tract of land, includes all of the following townships:

Townships 6 and 7 range 40; townships 7 and 8 range 41; townships 7, 8 and 9 range 42; townships 8 and 9 range 43; townships 8 and 9 range 44. Willamette, is the principal meridian. Bean For Baker City.

What the local irrigation scheme will do for La Grande and Union county, this will do for Baker City and Baker county. The costs however, will be vastly different. While Union county is to pay approximately \$20 per acre, this project will range about \$60.

While there is no standard size to the township, the 11 townships will aggregate 253, 400 acres, really an enormous section.

WILL AVENGE MURDER.

Tacoma Boy Swears to Avenge Death of His Father Recently.

TACOMA, April 14.—James A. Frace Jr., son of James Frace the contractor, who was killed, and his body dragged to a swamp near his home Saturday, today declared his intention to avenge his parents murder. He says he knows the murderers. Friends fear he will be killed if he insists on making trouble.

Mrs. C. E. Hood of Wallowa arrived on the afternoon train from Joseph.

PATTEN TO RETIRE. Forces Wheat to New Mark Today And Then Leaves Market.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Patten who cornered the visible supply of May wheat, and forced prices, has announced his intention today of retiring from the present market immediately. May wheat closed at \$1.28 5-8; July at \$1.17 3-4 and September at \$1.05 5-8. These are new records.

AGED FATHER KILLED.

Mrs. F. H. Taiman left last evening for Farmer City, Ill. in response to a message apprising her of the death of her father, B. L. Sparrow aged 67, as a result of a runaway accident. His leg was broken and at first it was not thought serious, but complications set in.

## NORTH POWDER FARMERS UNITED

ENTHUSIASTIC FARMERS IN NORTH POWDER FORM UNION

Mr. Cox, the energetic organizer of the Farmers' Union movement, has been working in and around North Powder for some days, and last night organized a local at that place with 15 of the best known and most progressive farmers in that end of the county as charter members. The officers of the North Powder local are Andrew Lund, Pres., J. F. Gilkinson, Vice Pres., and Joe Bowman, Sec. Treas. The other members are G. M. Gilkinson, Charis Brant, George Aughey, A. P. Dahlstrom, J. L. Hand, C. Olsen, W. E. Spangle, C. M. Moody, Jack Simonis, J. W. O'Bryant and J. F. Gilkinson. The meeting was well attended and the charter members say the membership will be doubled at the next meeting.

PREACHER SMOKED TOO FREELY.

BELLINGHAM, April 14.—Because he became interested in socialism, and accused by members of the flock with smoking a foul-smelling pipe, Rev. Walter C. Jones, pastor of the Knox Presbyterian church has been forced to resign and a new preacher will be named.

## ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE STORMED BY INDIGNANT SUFFRAGETTE

SPRINGFIELD, Illinois, April 14.—The Illinois legislature was taken by storm by suffragettes today. Hundreds swarmed the aisles, and regular business was abandoned. They button-holed the legislators, and poured a

## JAILBREAK AT HIGH NOON TIME

LONE OCCUPANT OF JAIL MAKES HIS ESCAPE

While People were Passing Within Block of County Jail, Lone Prisoner Escapes—Sheriff Searching on Horseback—Bar Sawed With Sharp Tool—Was in Cell This Morning When Breakfast Was Served—Is The Ex-Puglist.

Kid Carlson, the ex-puglist, and apostle of the doctrine of self help, and whose faithful adherence to his doctrine caused him to be locked up some time ago for appropriating to his own use sundry light hardware in the shape of guns and knives originally belonging to Fred Davis, of Union, became tired of solitude some time this forenoon and left his home for parts unknown. His home was the west corridor of the county jail. Mr. Carlson evidently concluded that waiting for the grand jury to meet was bad for his health, and that he would be much better off camping in the hills over toward Rock Creek. Unless Sheriff Childers finds the wanderer this afternoon he will have at least one night in the woods.

Deputy Lindgren served breakfast to Carlson this morning at the usual time, and no officer was in the jail from that time until noon, when both the sheriff and deputy Newlin went into the corridor with the purpose of locking the prisoner in the cell while they were away at dinner. To say that they were surprised when they found their man gone is putting it mildly. Sheriff Childers wasted no time in speculation however, but at mounted his horse and went after his man.

Carlson made his getaway by sawing one of the bars of the north window in the corridor of the jail and bending the bar out of place. The cutting was evidently done with a thin dull instrument, and must have taken considerable time, although the metal of the bar is very soft, and they are entirely unfit for the purpose to which they are set.

The time of the escape is not known, although the supposition is that it happened shortly before noon. H. C. Vinacke, of the Observer force, was passing on Fourth street about 11:30, and says that he saw someone letting the window down from the inside, but thought nothing of it.

## BODY OF SUICIDE FOUND LAST NIGHT

BAKER CITY, April 14.—(Special) —A shepherd named Link suicided on a sheep ranch in Dalley creek region of Eagle valley last Saturday night, but his remains were not found until last evening. He is a comparatively young man and it is not known whether or not he has a family. Telephone communication from the scene of the find are meagre.

It is stated however that the deed was done with a 30-30 rifle which was found in his grasp. The undertaker has gone to the place, 30 miles from here, and has not returned this afternoon.

## MARATHON RACE CLAIMS ITS VICTIM

PITTSBURG, April 14.—The Marathon craze has claimed its first victim. William H. Howick, aged 17, is dead as the result of a marathon race

in which he participated three weeks ago. He attended to public school here, and his health was excellent before the contest. The strain of a 26-mile grind was too much for him.

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