

## GOHL CASE TO JURY TODAY

DEFENSE SPRINGS A SURPRISE WHEN IT FAILS TO CALL A STRING OF WITNESSES.

## STATE MAY ASK FOR REOPENING

William Gohl the Alleged Wholesale Murderer Will Leave Case in the Hands of the Jury With Calling but Three Witnesses—Reported One of Victims Found Tied to Anchor in Gray's Harbor Bay.

Montesano, Wash., May 10.—The fate of William Gohl, former agent of the Seafarers' Union, who is on trial for the murder of Charles Hadberg, and suspected of other murders, will probably be decided by a jury today. Prosecutor Campbell is scheduled to make the opening statement to the jury today and he followed by the attorneys for the defense.

The sudden closing of the defense's case yesterday an hour and 20 minutes after the first witness was introduced, caused a sensation. It was expected that at least 30 witnesses would be called, but only three took the stand.

Campbell intimated that the state would ask for a re-opening of the case for the introduction of more evidence, if the report that the body of John Hoffman, whom it was alleged that Gohl had murdered had been located tied to an anchor in Grays Harbor proved to be true.

## GOLDEN RULE IS ROBBED

SMALL AMOUNT OF CHANGE ALL THAT IS MISSING.

Robbers May Have Taken Away Considerable Clothing as Well

Small pieces of change and an unknown amount of goods were taken from the Golden Rule store last night by burglars. Entrance was effected through a rear window, the pane of glass being cut and removed in order to get at the latch on the window.

How much was taken in the way of goods it is impossible to estimate—none may have been removed. Had not the few cents in change in the till been missing and the trace of the burglar left at the window, the management of the store would not have known that the store had been ransacked.

Chief of Police Waldon has his scouts at work on various theories but no manner of clues were left in the wake of the robbers. Several suits of clothing might have been taken without the loss being noticeable from the big pile. Guns, jewelry and other goods that tramps generally do not were not molested.

## SAY REQUIEM IN LA GRANDE

MEMORIAL SERVICES PLANNED FOR LATE KING.

Canadians, Britons and Lodgemen Especially Invited.

Memorial services for the late King Edward will be held in St. Peter's church in this city on Friday evening at 7:30. It has been set for this

date instead of the day of the funeral because the Rector, Upton H. Gibbs, expects to be absent nearly all of next week. All residents of British and Canadian connection are requested to attend. A special invitation is also extended to the Knight Templars and the Masonic fraternity generally, to show respect to the memory of one who was the most eminent member of the craft in Europe and had always taken a deep interest in its welfare.

## 10 MORE LIGHT STREAMERS

CONTRACT ABOUT TO BE SIGNED WITH COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Fir, East Adams, South Depot Are Streets to be Equipped.

Not only will the incandescent streamers suspended over the main streets of La Grande be continued notwithstanding that the contract has expired, but the number of the streamers will be increased unless present plans fall at the last moment. It is planned to close a contract between the E. O. L. & P. Co. and the commercial club this evening. The city has decided to continue the payment of \$25 toward the maintenance of the extra lights.

Ten more streamers are promised for the same cost that was charged for the present equipment. However, all are to be turned out at midnight.

The districts to be provided with additional streamers are one block on Fir street, one block on the east end of the present service on Adams avenue and one block on Depot between Washington and Fourth. This will scatter the illuminations and give greater service.

## Go to Jury Soon.

Kansas City, May 10.—The belief is that Dr. Hyde will be the last witness for the defense. The prediction today is that the case will be in the hands of the jury by the end of the week. The direct examination on Hyde continued today and it is expected that he will be cross-examined this afternoon. Hyde specifically denied all the charges made against him. He charged in return that some of his test tubes and the bacilli cultures has been stolen from his office during his absence.

## HITCH ANGRERS EMPEROR

GUARDS SENT TO ESCORT TEDDY ARE BEHIND TIME.

Colonel Forced to Take Taxicab to His Hotel Unguarded.

Berlin, May 10.—Colonel Roosevelt reached the railway station a half hour ahead of the Kaiser's Imperial Guard sent as an honorary guard. Roosevelt took a taxicab and was at the American Embassy when the guards reached the depot.

The Kaiser is angry at Baron Von Schoen, minister of foreign affairs, for allowing the miscarriage of the plans, on account of the Kaiser's mourning for the death of his uncle King Edward.

Roosevelt and the Kaiser will meet only informally a few times. They lunched together at Potsdam Palace today. The Kaiser was very cordial.

## To Visit President Taft.

New York, May 10.—The Californian exposition delegation left today for Washington where they will appear before President Taft and congress and ask for federal force for the San Francisco celebration on account of the opening of the Panama canal in 1915.

## FAMOUS RAILROAD MEASURE PASSES LOWER HOUSE

Washington, May 10.—The house this afternoon adopted the railroad legislation bill by a vote of 200 to 126. Mann, of Illinois, affected an amendment re-establishing the clause permitting the railroads to merge under certain conditions, which was defeated 168 to 160. Adamson moved to recommit the bill with the instruction to eliminate the commerce clause, which was defeated by 178 to 150.

Taft Seems Satisfied

Washington, May 10.—The administration bill was today reported by the house committee by a whole vote.

This marks the beginning of the end of the fight on the measure in the house. Leaders declare that it is likely there will be few changes in the form of the bill as reported today, being better than the remains of the original which were not favored by Taft. Taft seemed satisfied and said, "I am not familiar with the condition of the bill in the senate, but I think possibly the bill has not been emasculated in either house and that it contains all the remedial features of the original and that the thing omitted is neither substantial or vital." The sharpest skirmishing will come

## MAKING A NEWSPAPER

To make a newspaper requires many hands and several minds.

Metropolitan papers can only be printed in large centers of population because of the enormous expense required.

In towns the size of La Grande and other Eastern Oregon points the paper that first gives the telegraph news of the world and then confines itself to state and local news is bound to satisfy and please the people.

But to do this requires an outlay of money and labor each week that few people realize.

La Grande and Union and Wallowa counties are entitled to a good evening newspaper carrying telegraphic news, and that is what the Observer is today. We invite comparison with papers of other cities of this size with the full realization that no loyal La Grande man will be ashamed of the Observer.

The people here have by their business and their good will expressed an abiding faith in the ability of the management of the Observer to print a live, wide awake newspaper. The better the patronage the stronger the paper will be, and we have every reason to believe that within a year the La Grande Evening Observer will have attained a circulation far beyond the limits of what some might term its field.

The reason for this feeling is because La Grande and vicinity wants such a paper. The people realize that a good paper is a strong advertisement for the community in which it is printed, that it is an exponent of thrift progress—whereas a weak paper lessens confidence in a community and turns people away.

We again call attention to the telegraphic features of the Observer which are maintained at great expense and without which a newspaper cannot serve the people fully.

That general appreciation has been felt toward this paper is best evidenced by the increasing subscription list, and that too, without solicitation because everyone in the office has been too busy with pressing things to make any kind of a canvass whatever.

We rejoice at the growing list and invite all who are not readers to step forward and order the paper. This is a mutual proposition—no newspaper can exist without the people's support and no people can hardly exist without a newspaper.

Thus far the management is abundantly pleased and has not the least shadow of regret for locating in La Grande—the pay roll town of Eastern Oregon, the town that unlocks some of nature's richest storehouses, the town that is a good place to live in, and the town that is destined to be the commercial center of Eastern Oregon

up in the final stages of the fight over the long and short haul clause. This clause provides that a railroad must not charge more for the short haul than for the long one over the same line and in the same direction. It is the belief that the administration does not favor this amendment and Taft's speech at Passaic last night when he gave his virtual approval to the packed bill is being quoted by the insurgents as a presidential endorsement of their action.

## WANTS A NEW COUNTY

FREEWATER PEOPLE SEND OUT REPRESENTATIVE.

Editor Sanderson in La Grande to Agitate Favorable Sentiment.

B. C. Sanderson, editor of the Freewater Times, spent last evening in La Grande trying to raise some enthusiasm for the proposed new county to be called "Orchard." Mr. Sanderson purposes cutting a rich juicy sirloin steak out of Umatilla county's right side close to the spare rib and making a new organization. Naturally Umatilla county objects to the operation for Freewater and surrounding country comes handy along about tax paying time.

So the fight is on. Freewater wants to secede and Umatilla says "no." Backed in this attempt to make a new county by the bankers and the prominent business men of Freewater, Mr. Sanderson feels firm in his position and is now rounding up different localities with a view of getting support for the measure if he succeeds in getting on the ballot this fall. He claims some Umatilla county citizens are forced to travel sixty miles to reach the county seat; that trials are very expensive when witnesses have to be summoned so far away; that the court hose in Pendleton now is loaded with deputies and various other expenses that will be diminished under his plan. In the new county of Orchard Mr. Sanderson asserts there will not be a great deal of business and the officers can attend to all official duties without assistance of deputies.

## PLAN TRIP FOR EDITORS

COMMERCIAL CLUB HITS UPON A GOOD SCHEME.

Oregon Editors Will be Asked to Tour Grande Ronde Valley

When the commercial club directors meet tonight, the first gun will be fired in a campaign to bring the Newspaper Association of Oregon to La Grande and Union county when the association meets in Baker City June 18th and 19th. The club plans to have the delegates sidetracked when they reach La Grande, and the commercial men of the city will escort the pen pushers to various points of interest in the valley. There will be considerable work connected with the movement and negotiations will be opened with the railroad company to permit the delegates stopping here for a few hours at least. No better mode of home advertising could be hit upon for though there seldom is a very large representation of Oregon's newspaper men at any annual convention, still it is always a hustling, boosting, energetic aggregation. If satisfactory arrangements can be made with the railroad company, the plans will be shaped immediately for entertainment of the editors when they come.

## NEW GOVERNOR FOR CANADA

PREDICTED THAT BROTHER OF LATE KING WILL BE NAMED GOVERNOR GENERAL

## QUEEN'S MOTHER IN ILL HEALTH

Just as Soon as the Funeral is Over Queen Mother will be Taken to a Place of Rest—Court and Relatives Fear that Strain of Grief Will be too Much for Her Duke of Connaught in Line for Job.

London, May 10.—Fearing that the Dowager Queen Alexandra will succumb to a recent breakdown after the funeral of the late King Edward, the physicians are urging her to take a long vacation.

The Daily Express predicts today that the Duke of Connaught, a brother of Edward, will succeed Earl Gray as governor of Canada, and says that the appointment will be made soon. Edward is reported as having secured the government's agreement to the change previous to his death.

## Forest Fire Rages

Houton, Mich., May 10.—A portion of the town of Allston was destroyed today by a forest fire sweeping over the county and endangering life. The property of the Du Pont powder works is threatened. Residents are fighting the flames at the risk of being burned to death.

## SOUTH RICH IN COAL

EXTREME SOUTH FERTILE WITH FUEL, SAYS EXPLORER

Danger of World's Coal Famine Overshadowed by Discovery

Chicago, May 10.—Lieut. Shackleton, the furthest south explorer says there is a vast area of coal deposits on the edge of the Antarctic circle, which if mined will prevent a coal famine in the world indefinitely. He says the fields cover four million square miles.

Shackleton will not endeavor to reach the Pole until Captain Scott, another English explorer, returns. Shackleton believes that Scott will reach his destination.

## Back in Old Stand.

Dispatcher Corbett and his understudies moved back into the repaired quarters in the depot building. The place has entirely changed interiorly and presents a more commodious and eye-pleasing appearance.

## FIGHT DRAWS BAD MEN

OAKLAND CHURCHMEN BRING UP A NEW ARGUMENT

Both Blacks and Whites of Bad Character Would Come to Oakland.

Oakland, Calif., May 10.—Resolutions alleging the bad black and white characters will be attracted to Oakland by the Jeffries-Johnson fight were adopted by the men of the First Presbyterian church here today and sent to Governor Gillette, the attorney general and the district attorney and to the sheriff of Alameda county.