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## NEGRO AWAITS ACCUSERS

### WALLA WALLA BOOTBLACK RUNS INTO TROUBLE PLENTY.

Rumor of Shooting at Walla Walla Greatly Exaggerated Apparently.

Clyde Bailey, colored, who is a boot-black at Walla Walla is in the toils of the law here today following a thrilling escape from his pursuers at Walla Walla yesterday when he was about to be arrested for larceny of an overcoat and a .38 revolver. He suddenly became afflicted with a mania of some sort and was clearly demented much of the time. When he was placed under arrest he made his escape and pulled off some thrilling stunts on the train on which he was headed for Pendleton. While no shots were fired, he made gun plays at the train crew and had several of them buffaloed for a time.

It was rumored about this morning that he had shot the deputy sheriff but such was not the case. His episode occurred when on the Washington division train. Making good his escape there, he dropped from the train and cut across the hills to Cayuse.

The negro was first seen after the fracas, at Cayuse early this morning where Passenger Brakeman, Dan Downey found him on the head engine of No. 6, trying to steal a ride. Downey coaxed him into the train proper with the assertion that it was too cold to ride on the blind. Conductor Connors was advised of his presence. He was allowed to sit in peace and the word telegraphed ahead for the La Grande police to nab him when he reached La Grande. Just before reaching La Grande, O-W detective Woods who was on the train prevented further unrest regarding the man's captivity by placing him in irons. It was an easy matter for Chief of Police Walden to land the man in the city jail and he is now here awaiting the arrival of Sheriff Painter of Walla Walla. Mr. Painter will likely be over tonight and return with the negro tomorrow.

**Evidently Feared Lynching.**  
When he alighted this morning in charge of Woods, the negro showed great alarm, evidently fearing lynching. He wore a death fear on his countenance.

## CARBINE GOES SOUTH AGAIN

WILL ATTEND TO SHIPMENT OF HIS TOMATO CROP.

Extensive Plantations in Mexico Needing His Personal Attention.

E. Z. Carbine, the Fruitdale orchardist, took his departure this morning for Mochichilin, Sinaloa, Mexico, where he has extensive tomato, cantaloupe, pepper, cucumber and egg plant plantations. The tomato crop is ready for shipment and Mr. Carbine will give his personal attention to the shipping of these tomatoes. He reports the crop to be a large one and the markets good.

Mr. Carbine's family will remain at Fruitdale for the winter and he will return later on again to attend to his fruit interests here.

### BASKET BALL TONIGHT.

North Powder Will Meet the Local M. I. A. Aggregation.

The aggregation of basket ball players from North Powder have arrived to meet the strong M. I. A. team this evening at the skating rink. The M. I. A. have defeated the Imbler team which is considered to have its strings on the county championship. The North Powder team made a wonderful showing last year and are expected to give the local boys as hard a match as they can find in this section.

The week will give the people of La Grande another chance to witness a classy exhibition of basket ball. The high school will play the alumni on Friday evening.

### GOVERNMENT IS LOSER IN BIG PROCEEDINGS

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persons whom they might designate, the said Ayers and the said McSwords acting together in pursuance of a conspiracy to acquire title to this and other public lands.

2. That the said John L. Ayers, and the said P. B. McSwords died prior to effectuating the purposes of

the agreement theretofore made between themselves and the said entrymen, and thereafter and after the filing of the application of the said entrymen, and while said application was pending in the local land office at La Grande, Oregon, S. W. Spencer, J. W. Scriber and A. B. Thomson, with full knowledge and in pursuance and furtherance of said agreement between the entryman and said Ayres and said McSwords, caused to be deposited in the United States land office at La Grande, Oregon, the money necessary for the payment of the fees and the price of said land, and said money was by their direction paid for said land in completion of said application.

1. That thereafter and in pursuance and furtherance of said agreement to acquire title to said lands, the said S. W. Spencer, J. W. Scriber and A. B. Thomson, and others (whose names are at this time to the government unknown), and all of whom had personal knowledge of the original agreement between the said John Mills and John L. Ayers and P. B. McSwords and the subsequent agreement and payments by said S. W. Spencer, J. W. Scriber, A. B. Thomson and others caused the said John Mills to execute to the Northwest Timber Company a deed conveying title to said lands to said company, which company was not in existence

at the date said deed was executed but was subsequently duly organized under the laws of the state of Washington.

4. That said Northwest Timber Company and its officers and directors had knowledge of all the foregoing facts and circumstances here charged and accepted said deed and title with knowledge of the fraudulent character of the entry.

**Recapitulation.**  
Points held by the register and receiver which they deem sufficient to cause dismissal of the case, are recapitulated thusly:

Therefore, having now carefully considered the entire record which is before us, and based upon the findings and views herein expressed, we are constrained to find, in conclusion:

(1) That the defendants in this case did not enter into any conspiracy with John L. Ayers and P. B. McSwords, or into any agreement prior to filing their applications, whereby the title which the claimants might acquire to these lands would pass, in whole or in part, to said Ayers or McSwords, or to persons whom they might designate; but that the applications were each in good faith for the sole use and benefit of the applicant.

(2) That S. W. Spencer, J. W. Scriber, and A. B. Thomson had no knowledge of any conspiracy, if any

there was, between the defendants and Ayers and McSwords, and that the money paid by Scriber for the purchase price of the land was legally advanced and was not so advanced in pursuance of furtherance of any agreement or conspiracy between the defendants and the said Ayers and McSwords.

(3) That the Northwest Timber Company had no knowledge of fraud, irregularity, or unlawful agreements, if any there were, prior to the time it purchased the land involved herein, and that it is a bona-fide purchaser, for a valuable consideration, of the equitable title to said lands; and, upon the facts disclosed by this record, patent should now be issued conveying legal title.

(4) That the Government has failed to establish by clear and convincing proof, or by a preponderance of the evidence, any of the material allegations set forth in the notice of charges.

(5) That the final proofs submitted by the entrymen and entrywomen are sufficient, and should be approved for patent.

Thirty days are allowed in which to appeal from this decision to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and in default thereof, unless this decision is disturbed, the same will be come final.

F. C. BAMWELL,  
Register.  
C. R. EBERHARD,  
Receiver.



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