

M'DUFFIE TELLS OWN STORY

DID NOT SHOOT UNTIL AFTER MEN PASSED.

Story of the Shooting as Told by Sheriff Clarifies Rumors.

Out of the maze from the scene of the shooting at the Meacham hold-up yesterday morning, the Observer yesterday reached the correct conclusion as to the manner of the shooting. Deputy Sheriff McDuffie who was shot, yesterday afternoon authorized the following statement of the affair in which he played so important a part:

"I was on my way back to Heppner from Canyon City, where I had been a witness in a horse stealing case," said McDuffie in narrating his part in the exciting happening.

"I was sitting in the rear seat of the third day coach and was dozing when the robbers and trainmen came through on their forward trip. It flashed through my mind that it was unusual for porters and trainmen to be all together, but I never suspected anything was wrong. Pretty soon I heard another passenger remark that some of the men wore masks. 'No those were just the colored porters,' said another, and that's what I thought.

"A few minutes afterwards I heard the first passenger say that passengers in the car ahead were being robbed. This aroused me and I saw that it was a holdup. I drew my revolver, but as I only had four cartridges in it, I reached for my grip and secured a handful. I had just taken my seat when they entered and came toward me. They appeared to be in a hurry to get to the Pullmans, and only made two passengers give up their valuables.

"Hurry up, or I will blow your brains out," said the leader, who carried a gun in each hand, and the man addressed threw a dollar into the sack carried by a short fellow in advance. They did not ask me for anything, but hurried past. I had decided not to shoot until they were by me, because I was afraid of hitting some of the passengers. As soon as they passed I jumped up and shot twice at the big fellow's back, which was not six feet away.

"He turned and began firing with both revolvers, but the shots were going over my head. I fired again and hit him in the head. He seemed too dazed to take aim and backed through the door into the vestibule.

"I fired one shot at the other man and heard him say, after asking the big fellow if he were hurt, 'I am, too.' It was about this time I received the bullet and I think the little fellow had grabbed the 45 automatic from his companion and had shot me.

"My cartridges were loaded with black powder and made a big smoke. I am satisfied that they could not see me very well because of the smoke. I only fired four shots in all, and then some passenger cried for me not to shoot any more.

"I did not realize that I was shot until it was all over. I guess I was a lucky man to be alive, for it was only my pencil holder that kept me from being drilled through."

The fact that he wheeled and fired as soon as he was struck indicated to him that the man had made up his mind before to shoot at the first sign of resistance.

McDuffie told his story modestly and disclaimed any credit for his heroism. "It didn't occur to me," he said "that I was taking any chances. I knew it was my business to interfere and I decided to shoot and to shoot to kill. I ought to have got both, though."

Three Hundred Mile Race.

Dodge City, Kans., July 3.—Many thousand visitors are here today to witness the motorcycle classic of the year, the 300-mile race at the local motordrome. The race which is to be run tomorrow is to motorcycling what the 500-mile auto race at Indianapolis is to the automobile world.

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STATE NEWS

May Sign Petition.

Salem, Ore., July 2.—It is not required that a voter be registered before being eligible to sign a recall petition, according to an opinion of Attorney General Crawford, given today to J. R. Stannard, county clerk of Curry county.

The attorney general advised State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff that the city of Grants Pass is subject to the eight hour law in connection with the men it employs in the construction of its municipal railroad, being built from the city to a point several miles out.

He advised H. E. Sprute, district school clerk at Joseph, that the fact that voters were escorted to the polls and that ballots were distributed just outside the voting places, does not invalidate the election. He said the corrupt practices act was likely violated, but it would have no effect on the legality of the election.

Big Loss in Prune Crop.

Salem, Ore., July 2.—That fully three-fourths of the prune crop in the valley has been lost, is the estimate made by growers conversant with conditions. Last year a crop of 30,000,000 pounds of prunes was produced, and this year there would have been produced 40,000,000 pounds, had not the early rains and sold weather damaged the crop. In money the loss is estimated at \$1,000,000. While the price is better than last year, the big crop in California will keep it from becoming very high, it is stated.

Calf Ate Signs and Died.

Albany, Ore., July 2.—To recover the value of a calf, which died from eating one of the firm's cloth advertising signs, Fred Cooper, who resides near this place has presented a bill

for \$35 to M. Sternberg & Co., of this place.

A few days ago the firm's advertising man posted a cloth sign on Cooper's barn. One of his horses pawed the sign down to the ground and the calf ate it. The calf is now dead, and Cooper seeks redress.

Burglary Stirs Community.

Jasper, Ore., July 2.—The entire community is greatly stirred up over the recent burglary of Wright & Morey's store. A considerable sum of money was stolen.

Chautauqua On College Campus.

Dallas, Ore., July 2.—The second annual Chautauqua is attracting very large crowds this week. The tent has been erected on the college campus, as the city park where the chautauqua was held last year, is not suitable this year on account of the recent heavy rains. On the program are Dr. Frank Gunsaulus, Dr. Ng Poon Chew, Dr. Thomas E. Green and Cirillo's Italian band.

Banks Will Celebrate.

Banks, Ore., July 2.—This town is putting on the finishing touches for a big celebration of Independence day on Saturday, July 4. Miss Flonnie Turner will preside as Goddess of Liberty, and Mr. Miller of St. Helens, has promised to deliver the oration. The celebration will take place in a fine grove a half a mile west of town.

No More Wooden Sidewalks.

Eugene, Ore., July 2.—None but cement sidewalks may be built in Eugene after 30 days from date, the council having passed an ordinance June 30 prohibiting the building of

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Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

wooden sidewalks in any part of the city after the ordinance goes into effect, a month from that date. There are many miles of wooden walks which will now have to be torn up and replaced with cement.

Forestry Work Begins.

Oakridge, Ore., July 2.—The government forestry service resumed its work on July 1. Fire guards will be placed at the various stations and trail work will be resumed. Considerable telephone work has already been done here this season.

Loganberries Being Dried.

Eugene, Ore., July 2.—So great is the rush at the Eugene cannery that the fruit evaporator has been placed in operation, and many tons of loganberries are being dried. Most of them heretofore have been canned, but the canning department is kept busy with cherries, and the berries are coming so fast that it was found impossible to handle them before they spoiled.

Valley Line Given Rock Ballast.

Eugene, Ore., July 2.—That the entire main line of the Southern Pacific railway between Oregon City and the town of Springfield Junction will be ballasted with crushed rock, at a cost of several hundred thousand dollars was the statement of D. W. Campbell general manager of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, while in this

city last night. He said that the work will begin in a few weeks.

Best Diarrhoea Remedy.

If you have ever used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy you know that it is a success. Sam F. Guin, Whatley, Ala., writes, "I had measles and got caught out in the rain, and it settled in my stomach and bowels. I had an awful time, and had it not been for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I could not possibly have lived but a few hours longer, but thanks to this remedy, I am now well and strong." For sale by all dealers.

Big Suffrage Rally.

Newport, R. I., July 3.—Suffragists today invaded the heretofore invincible ramparts of Newport, the summer play-place of America's multi-millionaires. At the invitation of Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, woman suffrage leaders from every state in the union gathered today at "Marble House," the palace home of the New York traction magnate's wife, to discuss plans for concentrating all their efforts in supporting a suffrage measure in congress. Suffrage leaders have been widely divided over the respective merits of the Senator Shafroth and Senator Bristow measures now before congress. It was to effect a compromise on these two measures that the meeting was called today.

The L. D. S. ladies are to provide the food at the restaurant lodge. That is enough said.

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