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FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

Although the attention of a great part of the male population of Medford is taken up just now in connection with the presidential election to take place November 3, and the vote on the water propositions which will be held October 5 there is another, and a very important matter, which will take place Friday night of this week.

We refer to the ball which is to be given by the ladies of the Greater Medford club at the Angle Opera house. It may be that some of those who receive invitations may not care to attend, but all of them can pay the price of a ticket, knowing that when they do so they are helping a worthy cause.

The Medford men have never yet been found wanting when called upon for support of something in the interest of the city, and there is no doubt but they will come forward now in their usual liberal way.

If the weather man keeps up his brilliant record we'll let bygones be bygones.

If it be "a campaign of ideas," the other fellow is sure to rise and say they're his'n.

Like a balloon, candidates who make "flying trips" don't always know how to light.

Depew rises, ghostlike, in the campaign, but his party isn't in need of any more thin air.

"The campaign threat" is the latest. It must be a good one if it allows all the orators say.

Money talks in the Rockefeller autobiography, but so far it hasn't caused any one to sit up and say, "What's that?"

Certain candidates charged with stealing campaign thunder. Some of them seem to have been monkeying with lightning.

Only three weeks more, and candidates are counting their chickens, with game roosters in reserve for crowing purposes.

"Foraker will soon be a memory," says the Texas Star.

He doesn't want to be. His attitude is—"Forget it!"

Japan has planned such a strenuous reception for the fleet that when the boys are through with it they'll be too weak for war.

The appetite of an earthquake is nothing to that of the man who, it is alleged, got away with 1,000,000 acres of land in California.

The Houston Post does not think that we are governed too much in this country, "when it is considered that cabbage-eating has not been made a felony and men are not hanged for kissing their wives and children."

BOY USED AS DUMMY.

New York Bank Was Systemically Robbed.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—A towheaded youth of 19, until recently a \$12 a week clerk in a broker's office, was the star witness yesterday at the trial in the criminal branch of the United States court of Charles W. Morse, financial man and promoter, who, with Alfred H. Curtis, ex-president of the National Bank of North America, is charged with having violated the national banking laws.

In the testimony of Edward P. Moxey, a government bank examiner, it had been revealed that a person named Leslie E. Whiting had been one of the heaviest borrowers from the National Bank of North America, at one time owing the institution as much as \$310,000. Hardly a week went by in the year 1907, the testimony showed, that Whiting did not borrow \$100,000 or more, giving ice stock principally as security. It always appeared in the records as presented, however, that the enormous sums of money borrowed by Whiting were credited to the accounts of C. W. Morse.

At the conclusion of Mr. Moxey's testimony, Leslie Whiting was called to the stand and those in the courtroom, who had expected to see a dignified, shrewd-looking business man step forward, were astonished to see a smooth-checked boy of under 20 years walk nervously to the witness stand. A smile swept over the room and Judge Hough rapped sharply for order.

After Whiting had been made to describe how he had come to sign the notes which made him indebted to the bank for such large sums, he was asked: "Could you have paid this note I hold for \$83,000?"

The Merchant Knows

that it is so convenient, such a safeguard and saving of time to pay his accounts by check that he would not be without this satisfactory means of settlement.

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"What, me?" answered the startled boy. "No; no; I couldn't."
"Could you have paid a \$1000 note?" pressed the attorney for the prosecution.
"No, sir," responded the boy, a trifle more assured.

CASHIER ARRESTED.

Peculations Discovered in Affairs of La Grande Bank.

LA GRANDE, Or., Oct. 17.—Jefferson W. Scriber, cashier of the Farmers' & Traders' National bank of La Grande, and who comes from one of the best-known and oldest families in the state, was arrested yesterday by United States officials on a charge of embezzlement. The bank is said to have been found in a completely wrecked condition.

The specific charge against Scriber is that he embezzled and misappropriated \$12,525.25. It is understood that the cashier practically admits a shortage of this amount. Scriber is to be taken to Pendleton, where he will be taken before a United States commissioner for the purpose of having the amount of bail arranged. It is not probable that he will be released under a bond of \$15,000.

Scriber's arrest is the result of a report on Saturday that a forged note on N. K. West had been discovered. Later there was a run in an automobile to Elgin by West and Scriber making another trip to Elgin for the purpose of taking up the \$2000 piece of paper. Monday the bank closed its doors.

Claude Gatch, national bank examiner, and who for years knew Scriber, the two having been boys together in Salem, was sent for and the examination of the books and accounts of the institution began at once. Since his arrival Mr. Gatch has refused to make known the extent of the bank's difficulties.

NEW PORTLAND MURDER.

Jeweler Shot Down in His Own Dooryard.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 20.—H. Butterworth, a jeweler and a prominent business man of St. John, a suburb to the north of this city, was shot through the heart and instantly killed by a highwayman shortly after 9 o'clock tonight. The murder was committed in Butterworth's front yard. The object was to steal a diamond ring, valued at about \$250, which Butterworth wore.

Butterworth had just entered his front gate after closing his store, a few blocks distant. Mrs. Butterworth and her two little girls heard the gate shut and arose to meet the husband and father at the door. An instant later they heard Butterworth fall, though no shot was heard by them.

Mrs. Butterworth opened the door and ran to the side of her prostrate husband to see what the matter was, and discovered that he had been shot. She summoned neighbors and these called a physician. The services of the latter, however, were useless, as the victim was killed instantly.

The St. John police believe that Butterworth was followed home by some one aware that he wore valuable jewelry and that as he passed into the shaded gate the assassin discharged a heavy-caliber revolver close to his body.

With remarkable swiftness the ring was removed from the fallen man's finger and before Mrs. Butterworth had opened the door the robber had disappeared.

REWARD FOR MURDERERS.

Tennessee Governor Offers Big Sum for Apprehension.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Oct. 20.—A dispatch from Reelfoot tonight, where a mob of masked men early this morning took Colonel R. Z. Taylor, aged 60, and Captain Quentin Rankin, both of Trenton, and widely known lawyers, out of their hotels at that place and murdered the latter, fails to report the finding of Colonel Taylor's body nor any trace of his whereabouts. A man named Powell, who hauls fish from The Log to Hickman, is said to have been forced to accompany the mob, which numbered about 80 members.

Powell had been staying at a hotel when the riders called and ordered every one out and compelled them to line up. Captain Taylor, Colonel

Rankin and a surveyor, whose name is unknown, are said to have been taken away, the others being permitted to return to their beds. Powell states, it is said, that after killing Rankin a vote was taken regarding the disposition to be made of Taylor.

After the dispute Taylor made a dash and jumped into a bayou, starting to swim across it. A number of shots were fired at him and in the confusion Powell slipped away and brought back his story of escape. Searchers found the trees at the edge of the bayou clipped with bullets and there were deep footprints in the mud along the shore. On the other side of the bayou there was a single footprint. Governor Patterson arrived at Humboldt during the consultation with the citizens of Trenton who came to meet him. Governor Patterson announced he had offered \$10,000 reward and would visit the scene in person.

Judge Joseph E. Jones adjourned the Circuit court this afternoon and called a special session at Union City, which is in his circuit. He announced that he will have a grand jury impaneled at once and will have court ordered immediately. Governor Patterson will have the military called out to protect sessions if necessary.

One hundred militiamen mobilized at Nashville tonight and left for Reelfoot lake. The orders calling them do not state whether they are to do guard duty at the courthouse, pending the grand jury investigation, or whether they are to go into field service.

NEW SECT ORGANIZED.

Former Printer of Salt Lake Starts a New Cult.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Oct. 20.—Several witnesses in favor of the petition of Mrs. Mabelle M. Dutton, that a conservator be appointed by the probate court to prevent her aunt, Mrs. Ellen M. Shaw, of Lowell, from giving her property to the sect known as the Mazdaznans, were heard by Judge McIntyre.

The principal witnesses heard were W. S. Dutton, the husband of the petitioner, and Mrs. Adolph Dittman, who lived for several years in the home of Dr. Hanish, leader of the sect, at Lowell. Mr. Dutton declared that Mrs. Shaw was closely allied with the Mazdaznans and followed the teachings of Dr. Hanish. Mrs. Dittman described Dr. Hanish's opinion on hygiene, such as wearing little clothing and taking dew baths.

While Mrs. Dittman was testifying T. W. Kittredge, attorney for Mrs. Dutton, accused Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Ruth Hilton, alleged high priestess of the Lowell Mazdaznan Temple, with attempting to hypnotize the witness so as to prevent her continuing her testimony.

The court ordered a recess, and at its conclusion Mrs. Dittman explained that Mrs. Hilton had been gazing fixedly with her left eye in line with the left eye of the witness, following one of the alleged laws of the Mazdaznans to get one mind under the control of the other. The witness declared she had been able to withstand the test up to that time, but was very uncomfortable. Mrs. Hilton was ordered to take a seat farther back in the courtroom.

Mrs. Dittman gave evidence to show that she first knew Dr. Hanish when he was a typesetter on the Deseret News in Salt Lake City, ten years ago. He claimed to be a native of the far east and a new Christ, she said. With Hanish she went to Chicago, where two temples of the sun-worshippers were opened.

She characterized the teachings at that time as "profane and obscene." She said that oil, charcoal and bric-a-brac purchased from 10-cent stores was bought and taken to 26 Van Buren street, Chicago, where the oil was put up as "oil from Assyria," and the other articles packed in small packages and sold at high prices as articles from the east.

Was Fined Fifty Dollars.

Joe Kerrick, living near Woodville, was arrested and brought to Medford yesterday by Constable Slinger for selling liquor on Savage creek in less quantities than one gallon. He was arraigned, pleaded guilty and was fined 50, which he paid.

FLEET ROYALLY WELCOMED.

Enthusiastic Reception by the People of Japan.

TOKIO, Japan, Oct. 19.—The reception accorded the American fleet by the government and the people of Japan is conceded by American naval officers to be the heartiest and most perfectly carried out of the many receptions received by the fleet since it sailed from Hampton Roads.

Admiral Speery said to the Associated Press today that he was utterly unable to say how it had been accomplished, but that the welcome given to the fleet and officers here had been so carefully planned and carried out to the most minute detail that a lasting impression had been stamped on every American who had witnessed it. The men of the American and Japanese fleet are fraternizing everywhere throughout Tokio and Yokohama. Every wish of the American sailors is anticipated and every blue jacket finds an English-speaking guide among the Japanese sailors.

The American uniform is an open sesame everywhere to the cordiality of the Japanese. It is impossible to doubt the sincerity of the Japanese. The American officers and sailors are already beginning to understand the fact that the evident desire on the part of the Japanese for the friendship of the Americans is not founded upon opportunism.

Since the arrival of the fleet not a single unpleasant incident has occurred, though the sailors of both fleets are swarming through the streets of both Yokohama and Tokio. Early on Tuesday Admiral Speery and the captains of the fleet will be guests of the emperor at the palace. Admiral Speery will convey to the emperor a message from President Roosevelt.

The words of this message have not been given out, but there is reason to believe that it breathes a spirit of sympathy and expresses the keen appreciation of the traditional friendship between the two countries. It is uncertain what answer the Emperor will make, but it is believed he may break his rule and make some statement in terms similar to those used by the president.

HAINS POOR MAN.

The Consequence Is That His Wife Gets Nothing.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—Justice Carr of the Supreme court today denied the motion for alimony and for counsel fees asked for in the cross-complaint filed by Mrs. Claudia Hains in opposition to the suit for divorce filed by Captain Peter C. Hains, the slayer of William E. Annis.

The court took into consideration the fact that Captain Hains' salary as an army officer had been stopped, that his personal means are small and that he is in jail under a heavy expense in connection with his trial. Mrs. Hains' motion for the custody of her children was denied, because they are not in the jurisdiction of the court. The children are with their grandfather, outside the state.

OBJECTS TO LOSING NOSE.

Colored Porter Swears Out Warrant for Friend Who Bit Him.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 20.—According to a warrant sworn out before Justice of the Peace Bell yesterday morning, Edmund Dulster, a colored porter, is charged with having disfigured the countenance of Ben Verbelie, also colored, by biting off the end of the latter's nose. The affair occurred at Fourteenth and Northrup streets early Sunday morning and was the result of a dispute between the two gallants over the attentions each had been paying to a dusky damsel of their neighborhood.

Dulster is said to have formed a violent prejudice for the conformation of Verbelie's nasal appendage, and when they engaged in a fistful argument he succeeded in fastening his teeth in the objectionable member, and after biting the end off fled precipitately. Verbelie appeared before the court yesterday and swore to the complaint, and Constable Wagner made the arrest shortly after. Dulster furnished \$500 cash bail and was allowed his liberty pending the hearing of his case a fortnight later.

CAPITAL \$5,000,000
SAVINGS \$100,000,000

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES FOR RENT.

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We have a big supply of last years crop, extra dry shelled Pop Corn which we are selling at, the pound..... 8 1/2c

"Yakima Best" Flour is going like hot cakes, etc. It seems to bear out its big reputation as the "best in the West" in noble style. The sack..... \$1.45

We also have a few new patent sheet iron Corn Poppers. The kind that cannot be burnt or broken. They will last for years. Selling for, each..... 35c

As a reminder we will again say that we are selling Kingsbury's splendid Jams for absolute cost; and they are going fast, so speak early. Every jar fully guaranteed. We will cheerfully replace any one if it should not prove to be good. Selling, when cut from 25c, for..... 17c

"Crespo" is going, going, and will soon be gone. Why? Because we have made special "special" of it. It is much the same as Egg-O-See or Force. A ready-to-serve breakfast food. Cut from 10c the pound package..... 4c

Natures pure food drinks: "Angelus" Grape Juice is made from the choicest California Zinfandel grapes and is guaranteed to be free in every respect from adulteration. For the sick room, hospital or home use it is unexcelled as a beverage. Put up in small bottles to sell for each..... 10c

Sampson brand boiled Cider is clear and pure. It is the purest Sweet Cider boiled down till it is an extract of 1-5 the original bulk. I.e. a 5 in 1 mixture. In quart bottles this Rogue River Product..... 35c

MILLER & EW BANK CASH GROCERS

SIX DIE BY STORM.

Blinding Snow in Colorado Is Cause of Disaster.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 20.—Six accidental deaths are traceable to the blinding snowstorms which prevailed in Colorado Saturday night and Sunday. Besides, seven persons sustained serious injuries in railroad collisions or by coming in contact with live wires. The dead:

JOSEPH HENRY, killed by wire in Denver.

J. J. M'CLOSKEY, killed by wire at Louisville, Colo.

MRS. LIZZIE WINSLOW, killed by wire in her home at Fort Collins.

AUGUST CARSON, frozen to death in snow at Longmont.

LEONARD E. BANKER, scalded to death in a wreck caused by a collision on the Rock Island railroad near Carlton.

HENRY JOHN, killed by collision between handcar and motor-car on Union Pacific railroad in Denver yards.

In sections of the mountains a heavy snow has fallen. Considerable damage was done to electric wires and telephone and telegraph lines are seriously affected. Railroad and interurban electric lines have been interrupted and at places completely blocked.

SHOTGUN ROUTE.

Wealthy Resident of Santa Cruz Sends Himself Hence.

SANTA CRUZ, Oct. 20.—John C. Wood, a wealthy resident of this city, shot himself early this morning with a double-barreled shotgun. He had returned last night from St. Helens sanitarium, where he had successfully undergone an operation for appendicitis.

He was an owner in the Santa Cruz Lumber company and owned a large amount of real property here.

RIGHT TO NEW YORK.

Judge Taft Has Been Received by Enthusiastic Crowds Everywhere.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Taft today carried his campaign to the very doors of New York and gave a very clear indication of the characters of the speeches he would make in the Empire state next week. Taft spent three hours in Newark, N. J., one hour in Wilmington and the evening in Baltimore. He encountered tremendous crowds and which were very enthusiastic. His extended efforts of the day were at Elizabeth and at Baltimore. At Newark he gave attention to all the issues except labor. In Elizabeth his speech was solely on the labor question and tonight he combined his Newark and Elizabeth speeches. The rest with which Delaware received the candidate resulted in his curtailing his Wilmington speech in a few lines. The important part of the conference this morning between the candidate and Chairman Hitchcock will be to eliminate Connecticut from the itinerary and cut the number of speeches in New York state to two each day.

The Indiana itinerary of the candidate is announced tonight. Thursday, Friday and Saturday he will speak in that state. He will reach Chicago Saturday. Tomorrow night he will speak in Cumberland and

West Virginia en route to Cincinnati, where he will stop for a day's rest Wednesday.

TRIED TO KILL PRIEST.

The Chicago Police Are Trying to Locate Would-Be Murderer.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 19.—Search for the man who yesterday fired at Father Feilding, an assistant rector of the Corpus Christi church, was renewed with energy today. Every available detective in Hyde Park district was detailed to run the would-be murderer down. Whether he shot because of a sudden impulse or feared arrest, or whether he is a member of some anti-clerical band is not known.

The fact that he fired on a clergyman only after the latter broached his suspicions of a loiterer by questioning him is said by the detectives to lend color to the theory that the man was a pickpocket who practiced his pilfering from churchgoers.

SAYS HIS WIFE BEAT HIM.

Seattle Man Gets Divorce From His Brawny Better Half.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 19.—Because, as he alleged, his wife, six inches taller than he, beat him and threatened his life, Willis E. Kincaid was granted a divorce in the Superior court here.

"I don't think it is safe for a man of your size to live with a woman as large and as belligerent as your wife seems to be," said Judge Frater. "The decree is granted."

Kincaid testified that when he married her he believed his wife to be a widow without children. Last March a stalwart son of Mrs. Kincaid, just home from the Philippines, strode into the house and ordered his stepfather out. Once Mrs. Kincaid walked into his office, Kincaid said, assaulted him and told him his life would not be safe unless he left her. Kincaid said he did not go home that night.

AN ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

President Roosevelt Will Act as That for The Outlook Next Year.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—President Roosevelt has signed a contract with Outlook to act as associate editor after his retirement from the presidency next year. This is made the subject of an existing contract to write stories of his African travels for the Scribner's Sons. His work in connection with The Outlook is to cover political and economic questions.

NEW THIS WEEK.