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ONE KILLED TWO INJURED IN BATTLE

MANKIN SHOT TO DEATH AND WALWORTH, FATHER AND SON SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN FIGHT.

James Mankin, a farmer on the Sterling road, three miles from Jacksonville, was killed in a duel with shotguns and rifles Saturday evening. C. H. Walworth, a woodchopper, his assailant, was seriously wounded, but will recover, and his son, N. W. Walworth, was slightly wounded. The fight followed the serving of a notice upon the Walworths by Mankin to vacate the premises they occupied, belonging to the latter. Deputy Sheriff Grant placed the wounded men under arrest and brought them to Jacksonville. Dr. E. B. Pickle dressed their wounds.

Never Lost Consciousness.
"A rifle bullet tore away the cheek bone and a portion of the skull of the elder Walworth," said Dr. Pickle, "and in passing out cut off a part of the ear. It left an ugly wound, but Walworth never lost consciousness, even during the operation which followed. In addition he received about 30 shotgun pellets. Unless blood-poisoning sets in, he will recover. His son was badly peppered with shot, but is most seriously injured."

James Mankin, the dead man, and the senior Walworth fought with clubs and pitchforks for nearly an hour, when suddenly Walworth turned and ran into the house and secured a rifle and began shooting at Mankin.

Shooting Is Returned.
Henry Mankin, brother to the dead man, hearing the report of the rifle, rushed to his brother's assistance with a shotgun and rifle. Young Walworth attempted to shoot Henry Mankin when he himself received a charge of shot in the face and dropped his gun and fled. The elder Walworth then shot and killed James Mankin. Henry Mankin threw his shotgun aside, secured the rifle and shot Walworth.

Walworth had been traveling with a magic lantern show and lately secured employment as a woodchopper at the Mankin farm. When told by Mankin to vacate, Walworth refused to do so. The house is on the Mankin land and the latter secured legal advice, and armed with authority went to Walworth's home with the above results.

Walworth Intoxicated.
The Walworths were brought to Jacksonville. Both are now confined at the county jail. The Mankins have always borne good reputations, while Walworth, it is alleged, is of a very troublesome nature. He came to Jacksonville Saturday and proceeded to get drunk.

Coroner's Jury Sits.
The coroner's jury was impaneled Monday morning and it spent the day hearing the evidence in the case. The Walworths are represented by Attorney Gus Newberry. Sunday, Mr. Newberry, Sheriff Jackson, Deputy Sheriff Grant and Deputy District Attorney Deisch drove out to the Bleacher place to view the scene of the shooting, which occurred Saturday afternoon.

PRESENT YEAR BEATS ALL PORTLAND RECORDS

PORTLAND, Dec. 30.—The year 1907 breaks all records in Portland, and what is true here is an index in a proportionate degree of every place between the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific Ocean, for this great section is the most prosperous part of America, and will continue to be. The increase in manufactured products has been 30 percent; the sales of merchandise are considerably greater than in 1906. No year has brought so great an immigration. Postal receipts, exports and imports, the products from the farm and dairy, and those from the orchard, and every other resource by which prosperity can be pushed, prove an unprecedented growth, and if we will only shake off this temporary impulse to hedge, 1908 can be made a still greater year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Governor Sparks has asked President Roosevelt that he prepare a proclamation calling the legislature of Nevada in extra session. Troops will remain in field there until the understanding that an extra session will be called.

SAYS BAKER CITY IS MODEL TOWN.

Hon. Walter Moore Talks of His Home Town—Says Prohibition Has Been Tried and Proved a Failure—People Will Have None of It There.

Hon. Walter Moore, member of the state legislature from Baker county, is in Medford looking after his property interests in this county. He owns a ranch near Phoenix.

"Baker City is one of the best-governed cities in the state," said Mr. Moore, "and will continue so if people will mind their own business and permit us to mind ours."

"There is some prohibition agitation, but nothing to speak of. We have tried prohibition, proved it a failure and want none of it. We are an orderly community, out of debt and propose to govern ourselves."

"Prohibition," continued Mr. Moore, "does no community any good. It results in an era of clandestine law-breaking, of blind pigs and drug stores. When saloons try to dominate a community and disregard the laws it is time to suppress them, but not when they are law-abiding and orderly and where there is practically no crime, as in Baker City, and also in Medford. I am not a drinking man, either, and don't patronize saloons."

In Mr. Moore's opinion, it will be a mistake to vote Jackson County dry, and one that will be much regretted.

ALL-OREGON FRUIT SHOW IN PORTLAND IN JANUARY

Portland, January 14-16, 1908, will be the scene of the greatest horticultural meeting yet held in the state. Not only will an interesting and instructive programme be presented, including talks by the most successful growers and shippers in the States of Oregon, California, Washington and Idaho, but there will be the finest display of winter fruits ever witnessed in the Northwest. A splendid set of cups and awards will be given for the best fruit shown and the judging will be done by a government officer of national repute. The complete premium list will be announced shortly.

The regular reduced rates will be accorded by the transportation companies provided 50 are present, and the occasion will be one of wide interest to the fruitgrowers of this entire Northwest, and particularly of Oregon.

At this time we want to call the attention of every producer of choice winter fruit to the subject of exhibiting and the importance of filing his request for space at an early date.

The exhibit already exceeds, in promises, that made last year, so that it is important that exhibitors file their request for space at an early date with J. H. Reid, Milwaukee.

It is not every year that we have an opportunity of having our products passed upon by a national expert. The occasion ought to be one of great value to our growers. Bring or send your unknown, or new varieties as well, so that they may be named.

WHEELS AGAIN TURN IN OHIO VALLEY MILLS

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 30.—The industrial depression which has affected something like 15,000 men in Wheeling and the adjacent Ohio valley, due entirely to the stringency in the money market, has apparently been lifted, but orders have been received today to put the greater number of idle men to work on January 2.

In Wheeling at least 4000 men who have been idle most of the time for two months will get started on that day and 7000 to 8000 additional men are ordered to work either Monday morning or Tuesday morning in Wheeling and vicinity in industrial departments, applying to all classes of work.

PELTIBONE TRIAL IS DELAYED BY ILLNESS

BOISE, Dec. 30.—The illness of Peltibone caused a delay in his trial today and an adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning. Peltibone was violently ill last night and taken to the hospital. His condition was extremely critical for a time, but today he is much improved. It is thought his malady is incurable and it is regarded as a question whether the trial will ever be concluded.

STATION AGENT KILLED TO CONCEAL ROBBERY

CLARINGTON, O., Dec. 30.—Edward Hutchinson, agent of the R. & O. here, was murdered last night and the station burned over his body. It is said that robbers got a large sum of money. Railroad officials declined to discuss the robbery.

IS CLUBBED AND ROBBED BY BRUTAL HIGHWAYMAN IN HIS OWN DOOR YARD

J. W. Lawton Attacked by Foot-Pad Who Knocks Him Unconscious and Ransacks His Pockets, Securing Twenty Five Dollars and a Watch--Half a Dozen Blows Struck Prostrate Victim.

Ruthlessly assaulted, knocked down and robbed in his own doorway by a highwayman early Sunday evening was the fate that befell J. West Lawton, one of Medford's best known citizens, who has not yet recovered from the wounds received at the hands of his assailant. About \$25 in cash and a gold watch were secured by the robber.

About 7 o'clock Mr. Lawton left Haskin's drug store for his home, on the northwest corner of A and Fourth streets. To save time he cut across lots. While entering his back yard from the alley he received a heavy blow on the top of his head. The blow staggered him, but did not fell him. Turning, he struck his assailant square on the jaw, knocking him against the fence. An instant later Mr. Lawton was struck over the head with a club. The blow smashed Mr. Lawton's hat and rendered him partially unconscious.

Is Struck Repeatedly.
Again and again the highwayman struck his victim with his club, and Mr. Lawton fell heavily against the woodshed. He was told brusquely: "Keep quiet or I will knife you." He did not entirely lose consciousness, but was badly dazed by the rain of blows. In all, he was hit six times, three on the hands, three on the head and face.

GUN CLUB ORGANIZED BY GOLD HILL SPORTS

Some of the sport lovers of Gold Hill have organized a gun club and the members are now devoting most of their spare time to mastering the art of breaking clay pigeons. The first try-out of the traps was made on last Monday afternoon. As it was the first experience of the members at this kind of shooting there were no world's records shattered. The club starts out with about 20 members.—Gold Hill News.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

E. T. Staples of Ashland made us a brief visit Saturday.

James F. Wilson is quite ill with a severe cold, which has confined him to his bed.

City Recorder Collins of Medford was in town a few hours Saturday.

Mrs. James F. Buckley, who has been quite sick at her mother's home, is somewhat improved, we are glad to hear.

Miss Anna Keegan, who has been teaching near Sam's Valley, is spending her vacation at home.

FOR SALE—Town lots, good location, \$50 each; terms. Page & Lawton, 267

As Mr. Lawton lay stunned, the foot-pad went through his pockets, turning all of them inside out and securing \$25 in cash and a watch. The robber then fled. Several girls on their way to church were frightened by the man as he ran out of the alley, and in turn fled to the church.

When Mr. Lawton had partially recovered he crawled to his house. His daughters gave the alarm and a search was made of the alley where the assault took place. Tracks of the robber were found in the mud. The club, a short piece of rough lumber, was picked up, the end bespattered with blood.

Tramp Is Arrested.

Later a tramp was arrested and placed in the calaboose. A search revealed nothing in the tramp's possession that belonged to Mr. Lawton, but his shoes fitted the tracks made in the alley, and red-colored clay found on them corresponded with the same material in the alley where the robbery took place. He was taken to the county jail at Jacksonville to await preliminary examination.

Mr. Lawton's head and face are badly bruised and swollen, the skin being broken in several places.

A number of hoboes and braik-beam tourists have passed through Medford recently and it is supposed that the robbery is the work of one of them.

CLOCKS REGULATED BY TELEGRAPH EACH DAY

Medford will soon have the Western Union "synchronized self-winding clocks." Twelve of these clocks have been ordered by Medford business houses and will be installed very shortly.

The large sub-master clock which will regulate and set the other clocks was installed at the depot today and while this clock is not supposed to vary a minute during the year, it is set daily by time signals sent by telegraph every day at noon from the United States observatory at Washington, D. C.

Until the clocks are installed about town, the exact time can be had from the depot "sub-master clock," or the one in the Medford National bank, which was installed some time ago.

PASSENGER TRAIN IS ROLLED INTO RIVER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Shortly after noon today the westbound passenger No. 3 left the track at Florissant and rolled into the Truckee river. Several were killed, but the number is not known. A call was sent to Sacramento for doctors. A tramp was killed in the wreck and a baggage man injured. The wrecking train was sent from Sacramento to the scene.

EXHUME REMAINS OF THOMAS DRUCE.

Skeleton Found in Coffin Which Disproves Story of Lead Roll, Exploding Romantic Yarn of Double Life Sworn to by Witnesses.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The body of Thomas Charles Druce in High Gate cemetery was exhumed today, just 43 years to a day after his burial. The coffin was found to contain remains of a human body, thus exploding the romantic tale told by Robert C. Caldwell and others, who swore at the recent hearing in the Druce perjury case that the coffin contained a roll of lead.

This not only definitely disproves of the lead myth and the alleged double life of Druce, but effectively proves that the body buried in 1864 was actually that of T. C. Druce. The Druce vault has thus given up its secret after ten years of legal proceedings, which have cost a considerable fortune. A large part of this money was obtained from servant girls, who were induced to buy shares in the company formed to prosecute the claims of George Hollamby Druce, against the estate of the Duke of Portland. The charge of perjury against Herbert Druce is thus effectively disposed of.

EPIDEMIC OF GRIPPE IS SWEEPING EAST

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Deadly grippe, which has already fastened itself upon nearly every city east of the Mississippi river, is sweeping westward with appalling rapidity. Not since the terrible epidemics of 1889-90 have there been such ravages by the fearful malady as at the present time, according to special dispatches gathered tonight from many sources. Mild, open weather, highly unseasonable, is held responsible by health authorities.

Pittsburg is the chief complainant. So many people there are ill that the street car service is crippled and office buildings are practically empty. Besides Pittsburg, New York, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Boston, Cleveland, Milwaukee and other Eastern and Western cities were reported to be wrestling with the disease, a number of deaths in each city occurring daily.

AMUSEMENTS.

The finale of the first act of "The ToyMaker," which will be the offering at the Medford Opera House, Tuesday, December 31, is one of the most wonderful of stage effects. Hundreds of automatons are seen to move and obey every instruction from Johannes Guggenheimer, the toymaker of Unenberg, Scotch doll; Laura Vail as the baby doll; Ethel Manning as the ballet dancer; Carol Manning as the China boy; Ivy Pollard as the Japanese doll, and Ruby Norton as the clown doll, with George Kunkel as Johannes Guggenheimer, have a specialty entitled, "The Doll Dance," that is one of the salient features of "The ToyMaker." The mere mention that "The ToyMaker" was to be played would be sufficient to pack any San Francisco theater to the doors.

George Kunkel, a remarkably clever comedian, the man who succeeded Ferris Hartman as principal funmaker of the Tivoli Opera House, and who has been the principal comedian for the San Francisco Opera Company the past two years, with William Harris, character comedian, and Frank Bertrand, the eccentric comedian, have charge of the funmaking for the San Francisco Opera company. Kunkel, Bertrand, Harris and Daphne Pollard keep the audience in good humor from the rise to the fall of the final curtain.

The next attraction will be "Why Girls Leave Home," underlined for Friday, January 2.

This is P. J. Carpenter's best attraction and has received splendid press notices from the Portland press the past week.

Stage rehearsals have begun for the forthcoming production of "The Masses," with which Messrs. Hazellrigg and Andrews will again entertain Medford theatergoers on the night of January 15. Although we have had some splendid attractions on the local stage this season, there are many people in Medford who insist that "The Mikado" was the "best show ever in town," and as Mr. Hazellrigg promises that "The Masses" will be even better, we are evidently in for a treat.

The Nash Grill will be open after the performance of "The ToyMaker" Tuesday night. A special menu will be served. Those who enjoy an after-theater supper may be assured of the best the market affords at reasonable prices.

ELOPING PREACHER LOCATED

Rev. J. K. Cooke Who Eloped With Floretta Whaley, the Heiress, Found in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—The Call today publishes an interview with Rev. Jere Knole Cooke, formerly pastor of St. George's church, at Hempstead, L. I., who is claimed to have deserted his wife eight months ago, eloping with the 17-year-old heiress, Floretta Whaley. The pair were located, it is said, in a flat at 1199 Green street, this city. A child was born to them during the interval. The rector was working as a painter and decorator, and nothing offering in that line, doing the hardest kind of manual labor to support himself, his companion and their child.

Inquiry at the flat occupied by Rev. J. Knole Cooke and Floretta Whaley, revealed the fact that the couple had fled with their child. Cooke and his companion lived in this city under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Balsom. They left the flat last night in a pelting rain. The police, in the absence of a request to detain them, are making no effort to locate the pair.

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 30.—District Attorney Coles said today that he had received no official notice that J. K. Cooke and Floretta Whaley had been found in San Francisco. As soon as notified, he will ask the authorities of San Francisco to arrest Cooke on a warrant issued shortly after his disappearance. Mrs. Whaley, the grandmother of Floretta, said she would welcome the girl home, and send money for her return, if necessary.

MAKE A HUNDRED BY FINDING SILICA SAND

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 30.—(To the Editor.)—You have printed articles at different times relative to the discovery of large bodies of silica sand, and the Oregon Development League desires to present \$100 to any reader of your paper or any citizen of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana or California, who will find this sand to fill the requirements demanded by the Columbian Steel Works of this city, who have made this offer through the League.

"We will take one hundred tons each month of silica sand, 98 per cent pure silica and free from iron oxides, delivered at Portland at not to exceed \$6 per ton, and we will pay \$100 in cash to the discoverer."

Silica sand is now being shipped to Portland and other iron and steel manufacturing centers of the Pacific Coast from Minnesota. It has been frequently reported that large quantities of pure silica have been discovered, and the community that "makes good" in this instance has a greater source of revenue than gold or copper mines, lumber mills or factories of any kind, for when a dependable quality of silica sand is found in quantities sufficient to supply the demand, all the iron works from the Gulf of California to Alaska and from the Rocky Mountains west, will be customers. It may just as well be given to the public now as later that the steel trust and another combination of multi-millionaires engaged in the production of iron and steel are investigating different points on the Pacific Coast with the idea of building another Pittsburg.

Don't worry about the present freight rate. The discovery of a large quantity of silica sand would make a low rate necessary—remember that the sand now comes from Minnesota. This is your opportunity. Send a sample to your nearest assayer to be sure you have the goods.

TOM RICHARDSON,
Secretary Development League.

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Office of City Treasurer, Medford, Oregon, December 24th, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the city treasury for the redemption of all light and water fund warrants protested prior to August 7th, 1907.

Interest will cease on the same after the above date.

L. L. JACOBS,
City Treasurer.

PURE WATER AT LAST

HA! HA! THERE WILL BE NO MORE MUDDY WATER AT PEIL'S ELITE LAUNDRY. Tired of waiting for the city council to give us pure water to wash your clothes in, we have at great expense installed two new wells that can't be pumped dry. All the water is passed through a filter.

IF YOU WANT YOUR CLOTHES WASHED CLEAN OR WANT A DRINK OF GOOD, PURE WATER, PHONE MAIN 227. YOURS TO PLEASE.

Peil's Elite Laundry