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PUTNAM IS ASSAULTED BY A THUG

Editor of the Tribune... Assaulted by a thug... Jackson on Seventh St.

While walking down West Seventh street in front of Hussey's cash store near the Moore hotel, George Putnam, editor of The Medford Tribune, was Tuesday morning assaulted by Earl Jackson, son of ex-Sheriff Jackson, and a former deputy under his father.

Putnam's Story.

Putnam's account of the assault is as follows: "I left the office of the Condor Water & Power company about 10 o'clock on my way down town, when, opposite Hussey's cash store, I was accosted by a young man, who asked me if my name was Putnam. I told him that it was. He asked if I was the editor of The Tribune. I replied yes. He said I had printed some stories about him, and I asked him what his name was, for I had never seen him before. With that he struck me in the face and the blow dazed me. Evidently a rain of blows follows, for I only remember staggering into Hussey's store and asking for a basin to wash the blood from my face.

"The assault took me by surprise. I had never seen young Jackson and would not know him if I saw him again. I printed the news regarding his inhuman treatment of a prisoner while he was a deputy sheriff last spring and had been on apparently friendly terms with his father since election.

"Sheriff Jackson had me thrown in jail at Roseburg on a trumped up charge last winter in the evident hope of forcing me to leave the country. The son's vicious assault is along the same lines as his father's actions in throwing me in jail.

"People ought to know by this time, for this makes several times that I have been assaulted, that other than gratifying the innate brutal lust of the thug, there is nothing gained by physical violence. The assault will not affect the policy of The Tribune one way or the other. When officials are delinquent in their duties to the public, The Tribune will print the news. It is not afraid to tell the truth."

Jackson a Sailor.

Young Jackson was formerly a sailor in the United States navy and is said there to have made quite a reputation for himself as a prize fighter. The story of his stinging a prisoner up by the wrists in the Jackson county jail is as follows: "On March 19, 1907, four prisoners made a jailbreak and escaped to the hills. One of these was a man named Ganung, who was brought back. Young Jackson punished him by strapping him up by the wrists in the cell. A pair of handcuffs were fastened upon Ganung, the chains being put through the iron lattice work of the cell above the prisoner's head. Gus Newbury advised young Jackson not to string the prisoner up, but was ordered out. After being strung up for about an hour, the cruelty of the punishment began to tell upon the prisoner, who yelled for mercy. Outsiders then took a hand in the matter and had the man released. Those who denied the story previous to election admitted that it was true in every particular afterwards.

POSSE OF CITIZENS ARE OUT AFTER BURGLAR

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 22.—The bold burglar that ever operated in this part of the country is being sought today by a posse of citizens, and the city marshal, who made it possible for the criminal to make a display of his nerve.

In broad daylight late yesterday afternoon the officer caught the burglar in the act of rifling a store in Sumner. The latter drew a revolver and told the marshal in one spot until he had finished his job. When the burglar ran out of the door the officer scooted through another and organized a posse.

Mayor Reddy and P. Osenbringe, who with their wives have been attending the state fair at Salem, are home again.

WILL CALL AN ELECTION FOR OCT. 15

Recorder Collins Says He Will Follow the Law As Regards Recall Petition--May Be Enjoined

Recorder Benjamin M. Collins will on next Friday issue a call for a special election in the First ward for the recall of John D. Olwell, councilman from that ward, as asked for in a petition filed with him for that purpose. The election will be held on Thursday, October 15, if no restraining order is gotten out in the meantime and the action declared illegal.

Those who have signified their intention of having their names removed from the petition will be allowed to hand the recorder a statement to that effect, which will be attached to the original petition. It is highly probable that the recorder will be enjoined from calling for the election, owing to that part of the recall law which determines 25 per cent of the voters in the district invoking the act. The number is determined by the votes cast upon the election of a supreme justice, and as the First ward has never constituted a district voting upon this matter, it is impossible to apply the law in this case. Mr. Olwell has but three months more to serve after October 15, the day which will be named as election day. His term expires January 15, 1909.

Unless restrained, the recorder will issue the call for an election on Friday, the election to be held October 15.

LATE LOCAL NEWS.

J. I. Patton of Big Butte was in Medford on business Tuesday. W. T. Moore who has been in Lake Creek district for some time past, is in Central Point again. He visited in Medford Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Deneff were down from Jacksonville Sunday afternoon. E. D. Rose came in from Wellen district Saturday for a short stay in Medford. G. T. Lawrence and his family are now comfortably located at the place on the Medford-Jacksonville road formerly owned by B. P. Whetstone. They will improve it considerably in the near future.

MORE EVIDENCE THAT STEWART IS EXILED

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 22.—President Roosevelt's plans for the exile of Colonel Stewart are again set forth, this time in a letter received by Senator Rayner of Maryland, and now published with the president's permission. The communication was sent in reply to an inquiry. "I made a careful investigation of the case of Colonel Stewart," the letter begins, "and I have before me the report of Judge Advocate General Duvall, and have looked at the original reports of Generals Grant, Murray and others."

"It appears that Colonel Stewart has been 41 years in the army and he refuses to retire unless he is made a brigadier general. I shall certainly not make him a brigadier general because he is grossly unfit, not merely to be a brigadier, but to hold his present rank. His usefulness has been diminishing. He is a nuisance in the service, being both incompetent and temperamentally unfit to exercise command over enlisted men or to confer officers. As General Duvall reports it is known throughout the artillery service that Colonel Stewart is an 'impossible' commanding officer."

SHIP RETURNS TO REPORT LOSS OF MEN

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 22.—Bringing the news of the loss of two men during the stormy passage to Chignik last spring, the American ship St. Paul has returned from the sunny port. The unfortunates who lost their lives during heavy weather in the Pacific were Gustaf Peterson, a Norwegian, and August Sandberg, a Swede. Sandberg was lost at sea on April 16 while on the lookout.

Ketchell Would Retire From Ring. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 22.—Stanley Ketchell is today hailed as the latest candidate for the "retired list" of prize fighters and by his own wish. Fans are wondering whether he will try to beat Joe Gans' record of the longest time in retirement of any fighter in the ring.

SHOOTS WOMAN THEN TURNS GUN ON HIMSELF

GARBAGETOBAT; WATER ON DECK

City Scavenger Can Find No Dumping Ground--Filt Accumulating

No sooner does the water famine step from the limelight than the dumping ground steps in. Yesterday The Tribune announced that the water famine was for a time abated, and today the matter claiming the attention of councilmen and various city officials is the obtaining of a suitable dumping ground for the garbage of the city.

G. W. Jones, the city scavenger, is having troubles of his own. He has no place to dump refuse and he has countless calls to have garbage removed. He is between two fires and disgusted. Well, that is his privilege. Some time ago one John Bain offered to take care of all the garbage of the city delivered at his place for \$100 a year. This was easy money until some neighbors batted in and obtained an injunction, which stayed his little game. His method of coping the elusive bucks did not appeal to their aesthetic sense. They rebelled, and with an injunction cut off his revenue. Since that time fate has buffeted the garbage man from one post to another. He seems an outcast, upon the city map. It's a case of "come in, but leave your dog outside."

MANY STUDENTS WANT PLACE IN POLYTECHNIC

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 22.—After 100 ambitious students had stood in line all night more than 600 boys and girls today besieged the polytechnic high school with applications for entrance. But 225 vacancies in the lower classes existed and more than 300 applicants were doomed to disappointment. Yesterday afternoon "soonsers" began to assemble in front of the high school. Seeing that there was going to be a line of applicants waiting at the doors all night, Principal Francis stretched a line to prevent disputes as to place, and upper class students acted as patrons. The unsuccessful applicants have the alternative of waiting until the next year to enter the polytechnic school or entering Los Angeles high school, where they will not have the advantage of technical courses.

BEDE BLAMES IT ALL ONTO POOR UNCLE JOE

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 22.—Congressman J. Adam Bede declares he blames Speaker Cannon alone for his defeat last Tuesday and asserts he will try to make the Illinois representative reimburse him for the filling fee he paid to run for renomination. "I paid the fee and Cannon ran," said Bede today. "That was not fair on his part. I shall tell him so. Anyway, Cannon had no right to run for congress outside of his own state."

STUDENTS MOURN DEATH OF THEIR BENEFACTOR

LAWRENCE, Kan., Sept. 22.—There is universal mourning among the students and the faculty today as the result of the death of Francis Huntington Snow, one of the founders of the university, who passed away at a sanitarium at Deifield, Wis., yesterday. The university was closed out of respect to the memory of the dead professor, who was beloved by professors and students alike.

TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT FUEL FAMINE IN NEVADA

RENO, Nev., Sept. 22.—Fuel merchants throughout the state are preparing today to lay in a supply of coal and wood to prevent the possibility of a fuel famine, such as was experienced last year. The Southern Pacific company has sent out a warning that a repetition of last year's famine may be expected unless early precautions are taken, as a shortage of cars will be felt as soon as the fall shipping begins in earnest.

J. R. Kelly spent Sunday in Ashland. Abner Grimes of Jacksonville has returned from Josephine county, where he spent several weeks.

REFUSAL TO LEAVE WITH HIM CAUSES DESPERATE DEED

Machinist Murdered Member of Prominent Los Angeles Family, Then Blows Top of His Own Head

VALLEJO, Cal., Sept. 22.—Mrs. Harry Magnus, daughter of a well known Los Angeles family, was shot and killed in her home here today by Charles Striburg, a machinist, who had been employed at the Mare Island navy yard for several months. Striburg then turned the pistol on himself and blew the top of his head off. It is thought that the man tried to induce Mrs. Magnus to run away with him and that upon her refusal he killed her and committed suicide. There were no witnesses to the shooting, which occurred shortly after Harry Magnus, the husband of the murdered woman, had gone to work at the navy yard. Striburg was seen to enter the Magnus cottage by neighbors and shortly afterward three shots were heard.

The Police Arrive.

When the police arrived Mrs. Magnus was lying in a pool of blood with a shot through her head and another in her arm. Striburg was lying on the floor with his face buried in a pillow and the top of his head blown off. In his hand was a pistol, still smoking. The body of Mrs. Magnus was dressed as though she was preparing to go out when the fatal shot was fired. The room was in confusion. Member of Prominent Family. The Magnuses have lived here for the past seven years. Harry Magnus comes from a prominent family of Cordelia. Mrs. Magnus is the daughter of Mrs. Leanders of Los Angeles. She was married to Magnus at the home of her parents in Los Angeles seven years ago. Neighbors have noticed the friendship between the dead woman and the murderer for some time. Striburg was seen to break into the house yesterday by the back door and stay there for several hours. He was employed as a mechanic at the navy yard until yesterday, when he took out his discharge, announcing that he was going to leave the country. He appeared to be excited and told his friends that they would never see him again. It was immediately after he left the navy yard that he visited the Magnus home. Harry Magnus, the husband of the murdered woman, was informed of the double tragedy and is prostrated with grief. He refuses to make any statement regarding the charges of the neighbors.

TREMENDOUS CROWD GREETED BELL AT ASHLAND

The second largest crowd ever gathering in Ashland to hear a political speaker greeted Hon. Theodore A. Bell of California in the Chautauqua building last evening. The only crowd surpassing the one of last evening was that addressed by William J. Bryan. Mr. Bell spent the greater part of his address upon the personality of Mr. Bryan. He spoke of the abuse heaped upon the Commoner when he first ran for the presidency in 1896, and then quoted a speech of Senator Beveridge, in which the Indiana man said that Mr. Bryan's character was without a flaw. Bell predicted a landslide for Bryan this year. He is on his way east to speak in the interests of Bryan. A number of local people went up to hear Bell speak, among them being J. C. Brown, W. W. Eifert, E. E. Kelly, Job Smith, George Putnam, Frank Tou Velle, Clarence Snyder, W. H. Canon, J. W. Summerville and P. M. Kershaw.

AMERICANS BEAT JAPS AT NATIONAL GAME

TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 22.—The first baseball game this afternoon between the Waseda nine, the foremost Japanese team and the Washingtons of the United States, resulted in a victory for the Americans by the score of 4 to 2. An immense throng witnessed the game and great enthusiasm was manifested by the spectators. Misses Monta and Ervina Maegley left for Portland Friday evening after a visit with their aunt, Miss Estelle Levy. George W. Trefren, the Ashland attorney, was in town on professional business one day last week. Ward was received that Ray Sexton had started home from Minneapolis, Kan., where he has been spending the past month with his mother and father.

FIGHT RESULTS IN THE DEATH OF ONE COMBATANT

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 22.—C. M. Barber, an automobile agent, was arrested today on the charge of murder following the death of R. C. Loomis, who was injured in a fight with Barber. The dispute which led to the fatal encounter was caused by a difference of opinion in an automobile deal. EXPERT MARKSMEN BROUGHT BACK SEVENTY-ONE DUCKS Messrs. Payette and Rieckoff, the expert marksmen, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Smith of Smith & Moolony on the river duck hunting. As a result everyone is cooking fowl this morning, the trio having bagged 71 ducks and 11 geese.

WEIRD MACHINE ON EXHIBITION

Voices Materialize in Air From Steel Plate Without Apparent Motive

Without any apparent motive, speech materializes off a steel wire whenever H. P. O'Reilly presses a button in a little machine he is exhibiting in the Eagle Pharmacy, at the present time. It sounds impossible, but it is an actual fact. It sounds weird, it is weird, but it is true, nevertheless. The machine which does it is the telegraph. In looks it is not unlike a dictating phonograph. It stands on an ordinary table and has a long wire wound on two spools. When this machine is started the wire will run from one spool to the other and absorb the record as it goes. All that is needed is to start it over and it will talk five miles at a stretch. The machines that are now being put out run 20 minutes at a stretch, but the size of the spool can be changed to run 102 minutes. The variations of the machine are wide. It can be connected to an ordinary telephone in a doctor's office and take any messages that are left for him in his absence. It can keep a record of train orders sent over the telephone or automatically make a memorandum of orders given to a store by a customer. The machine is worth taking a look at. Mr. O'Reilly is here demonstrating it and is pleased to show it to all comers. As for the machine, it needs no encouragement; it speaks for itself.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Chris J. Kenney left for Medical Lake, Wash., one day last week, where he expects to remain for some time for the benefit of his health. Miss Cordelia Reuter has returned to Ashland to resume her studies at the Ashland commercial college. Attorney George H. Durham was up from Grants Pass last week attending circuit court. Mrs. John P. Miller and son and Mrs. Harry Lay and children spent the day in Medford Thursday, the guests of Mrs. Fred Lay. George Gilbert Baneroft and D. Lillian Lewis will appear in an entertainment at the L. O. O. F. hall on September 23, under the auspices of the lodge. Miss Annie Broad has joined her sister, Mrs. Kate Dungey, at Williams Creek, where she will spend the winter. Mrs. Dungey is teaching school in that district. Mrs. Frank A. Bennett spent Saturday with relatives living here. Mr. and Mrs. H. von der Hellen of Wellen were the guests of J. Numan and family last week. Miss Bertha Prim spent a few days in Medford last week. Mrs. J. C. Sexton is helping in the Bank of Jacksonville during the absence of Mr. Davis in Portland. Arthur Baxter has returned from an outing at Cinnabar and will return to his home at San Francisco soon. Mr. Baxter comes up from San Francisco every summer to get the benefit of the water and baths to be had at that place. Miss Margaret McLallen passed through Medford on her way to Roseburg one day last week. Miss McLallen has been spending the past six months with her aunt, Mrs. J. C. Cotchett, in Oakland, Cal. Miss Flora Thompson has begun her duties as teacher in the Central Point school. Misses Monta and Ervina Maegley left for Portland Friday evening after a visit with their aunt, Miss Estelle Levy. George W. Trefren, the Ashland attorney, was in town on professional business one day last week. Ward was received that Ray Sexton had started home from Minneapolis, Kan., where he has been spending the past month with his mother and father.

CAMBERS TELLS ABOUT BUCK LAKE

Water Has Temperature of 40 Degrees--Over 2,000 Miners Inches in One Spring Alone

J. J. Chambers of Ashland, who recently made the city an offer of 500 inches of water for \$80,000, was in the city Monday en route to Jacksonville on business, and incidentally looking up the status of his proposition. Mr. Chambers proposes to sell the city water from Buck lake. This water has its source in springs, and, according to Mr. Chambers, has a temperature of 10 degrees at the hottest time of the year. The elevation of the springs is over 5000 feet, which is some 3600 feet above this city. From Medford the distance to the springs is four miles south and 28 miles east, following section lines. At no place is the topography such as to make a high pressure necessary. Wants City to Investigate. "All I want," said Mr. Chambers, "is to have the city investigate the proposition. The water which I offer is not lake water, but rather spring water. The largest spring has a flow of over 2000 miners' inches and I challenge anyone to find purer or better water. I make the proposition because I am interested in all parts of the valley, and I believe no better source for a gravity water supply could be found." Has Irrigation Project. Mr. Chambers has an irrigation project in view, and it is highly probable that he will supply the southern part of the valley with water for irrigation purposes, regard as of any action which Medford may take. It will be an easy matter, he claims, for him to put the water into the valley, and he is also an ardent advocate of irrigation in the valley. "I have resided in Rogue River valley for the past ten years," he said, "and I know that water is needed and that it will make the valley wonderfully productive. The fact that irrigation is not imperative has been responsible for the lack of attention paid to this matter in the past."

MANY OREGON TURKEYS TO THE PHILIPPINES

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 22.—Uncle Sam's khaki-clad junglertalkers in the Philippines will eat 10,000 Oregon turkeys next Thanksgiving day. The government contract to supply the army on the islands with the piece de resistance of the Thanksgiving feast has been awarded to the Union Meat company of Portland, and Max Weiss, the Roseburg merchant, has been commissioned to scour the country about Oakland and Roseburg to get together the large order of feather duster birds, for immediate shipment to this city, where they will be killed and placed in cold storage for shipment to the islands. The turkeys are being secured early in the season because it takes so long for a ship to reach the islands and Uncle Sam doesn't want his fighting forces to miss their Thanksgiving dinner through any chance delay. Mr. Weiss will ship the turkeys from Roseburg the 23rd of this month. The contract price to be paid for the engagement is to be 18 cents a pound. INDEPENDENCE LEAGUE DID NOT COMPLY WITH LAW RENO, Nev., Sept. 22.—It is thought today that the Independence party will not be able to participate in the November election in Nevada through failure to comply with all the requirements regarding the attesting of 10 per cent of the voters to their wish to have that party place its nominee on the state ticket. While the required number of signatures were secured, it developed last night that those who filed the petition failed to attest to the fact that the signers were qualified electors and as a result the petition is void. It is now too late to remedy the defect.

NORTH DAKOTA SOON READY FOR LAUNCHING

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22.—According to reports received at the navy department today, work on the North Dakota, the new battleship under construction at Fore River, Mass., is nearing completion and will be ready for launching within the next two months. The North Dakota is designed to be one of the speediest battleships afloat and will be surpassed by few war vessels of the world.

PICKPOCKETS FOLLOW BUFFALO BILL'S SHOW

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Sept. 22.—In spite of the vigilance of city detectives three persons are today mourning the loss of an aggregate of \$1000 taken from them by pickpockets who are following a wild west show around the country. The local police were feeling rather happy over the fact that they had noticed none of this class of robbers when the victims reported their losses. ENGINEERS OF C. P. R. THREATEN TO STRIKE WINNIPEG, Man., Sept. 22.—That they will join the striking machinists of the Canadian Pacific railroad if the company does not settle the strike within a week is the gist of an ultimatum just issued by the engineers of the system. They intend to lay the facts before the railway commissioner at Ottawa. It was reported today that the railroad is preparing a statement in which it will offer to reinstate the strikers under certain conditions.

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FIVE COUNTRIES IN WASHINGTON WITHOUT AN AUTOMOBILE

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 22.—Not a citizen of Douglas, Ferry, Okanogan, Swamania or Wabkiakum county owns an automobile, or at least admits it, according to the schedule of the state board of equalization on that class of property. The state assessors this year found 1384 motor cars as against 1727 in 1907.

COAL DEAL IS NEARING COMPLETION

Sunrise Mining Company Will Soon Have Control of the Mine--Either That Or a Law Suit

It is highly probable that within the next two or three days that the Sunrise Mining company will succeed in obtaining control of the coal mine southeast of the city, as a deal they have under negotiation with the Pacific Coal company is coming to a successful termination, according to reports. The Pacific Coal company some time ago entered into a contract with John F. Murphy of Chicago to deliver the mine to a company which Murphy was to organize, the contract price being \$125,000. Murphy returned east, organized his company, named it the Sunrise Mining company, and returned to take the mine off the hands of the Pacific Coal company. While Murphy was organizing his company and raising the money to carry on the work of development, the Pacific Coal company was having troubles of their own. The old officers of the company resigned and for a while the company was without a guiding hand in the person of a president. It has been this internal strife that has delayed the deal, else the Sunrise company would be the owners at the present time. It looks as if, however, as if the deal will soon be consummated. The Pacific Coal company is getting into shape to deliver according to their contract. In the meantime the Medford Coal company are sitting back and watching the deal with a great deal of interest. There is \$25,000 coming to them in April, and it is a source of speculation to them as to where their check will come from. If anything should arise to prevent the delivery of the mine as provided in the contract, it will probably mean a lawsuit on the part of Murphy against the Pacific Coal company. So it has simmered down to a point where it will either mean a lawsuit or a fulfilling of a contract.