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RICKREALL P. O. ROBBED \$150 CASH IS TAKEN

Didn't Want the Stamps; Susposed Same Gang That Have Been Operating

The postoffice safe at Rickreall was blown at an early hour Saturday morning, and \$150 in cash was taken therefrom. The method employed was practically the same as at Airfie a few weeks ago, when the strong box there was demolished. The postoffice at Rickreall is in the general merchandise store of Lucas & Price. The outer door of the safe was not securely fastened, but the inner door, heavy and strong, was locked. Nitroglycerine was inserted into the flanges, completely demolishing the safe, and blowing the outside door some fifteen feet. Woolen socks, found in the store, were used to securely "pack" the first door.

In addition to money there were about \$200 worth of postage stamps in the safe. These were not molested. When the explosion occurred several persons residing in the vicinity heard the noise, but no one seems to have investigated the cause. Sheriff Grant went to the scene of the crime early Saturday morning, but could secure no information that would give a clue to the perpetrators. The matter has been reported to the postal inspector at Seattle.

From the manner in which the job was performed it is believed that the same gang that has been operating in this section for months past is responsible for the robbery.—Dallas Observer.

PIONEER PASSES

Mrs. E. A. Mellen, sister of Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, and a former resident of Independence, died last week at Orenco. Mrs. Mellen was a daughter of the late Hon. Stephen Staats, and was one of the first white children born in Oregon—January 21, 1849 at Portland. She was married to W. A. K. Mellen, of Salem and they have one daughter, Mrs. M. McDonald of Orenco. Besides Mrs. Hubbard, she is survived by another sister and two brothers.

CHANGE OF TIME ANNOUNCED

Independence & Monmouth Trains Are Running On New Schedule

Train leaves Independence for Monmouth, arriving at Monmouth ten minutes later, as follows: 7:00 a. m.; 7:35 a. m.; 11:10 a. m.; 1:10 p. m.; 2:20 p. m.; 4:30 p. m.; 7:30 p. m.

Train leaves Monmouth for Independence, arriving at Independence ten minutes later, as follows: 7:15 a. m.; 10:00 a. m.; 11:35 a. m.; 1:25 p. m.; 4:15 p. m.; 4:50 p. m.; 7:45 p. m.

Train leaves Independence for Airfie at 7:35 a. m. arrive at Airfie 8:35 a. m.

Train leaves Airfie 9:20, arrives at Monmouth 9:55; arrives at Independence 10:10 a. m.

Train leaves Independence for Airfie at 2:35 p. m. arrives at Airfie 3:10 p. m.

Train leaves Airfie 3:35 p. m. arrives Monmouth 4:10 p. m., arrives Independence 4:25 p. m.

HUTTON TO SPEAK

R. P. Hutton, assistant superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon will give an address in the Baptist church on Friday evening, Oct. 16th. Mr. Hutton is one of the most convincing speakers on the temperance platform. His argument will be addressed in particular to business men and will show that it is to their interest financially that the state of Oregon should go dry. He will bring a message from the Pittsburgh Board of Trade and other large corporations showing that it is good business to get rid of the liquor business. You are invited to hear him.

W. T. Tapscott.

FRATERNAL MEET

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs had a joyful time Tuesday night when they assembled informally at their hall. George W. Wright of Albany, grand patriarch of the I. O. O. F. in Oregon, delivered a splendid address on Odd Fellowship and fraternalship. After the intellectual treat, refreshments were served.

APPLE DAY

Next Tuesday, Oct. 20, is Apple Day and will be observed throughout the state. The Portland Commercial Club and Oregon Development League are boosting a "Buy a Box of Apples" campaign in conjunction.

CHAMBERLAIN COMING

Senator Chamberlain has returned from Washington and will make a tour of the state. He will pay Independence a visit a few days before election.

THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER.



—Harding in Brooklyn Eagle

RE-ELECT ASA B. ROBINSON ENTITLED TO 2nd TERM

He Has Conducted Office In an Honest, Impartial and Business Like Manner

The Monitor believes that Asa B. Robinson should be re-elected. Not one single reason has been advanced why he should not be and there is at least one great big reason why he should be and that is that any county official, regardless of what political party he affiliates with, if he has conducted the office in an honest, impartial and business-like manner, should be re-elected for a second term. Asa B. Robinson has conducted the office in an honest, impartial and business-like manner. He should be re-elected.

Mr. Robinson is opposed by a man who has served several terms in the office with credit who should be content, thankful to the people of Polk county for many favors in the past and not lead many to think that he has an idea that Polk county owes him a life job. We presume that there have been other good clerks in the past besides Mr. Smith and Mr. Robinson and after both these men are dead and gone, there will be others just as good. It is a very poor argument to take a good man out to put another good man in because the latter was good the longest. After Mr. Robinson has served another term, the republicans may pick out a creditable man in their party, some one who is worthy and qualified and who has not been a chronic office holder in the past, and nominate him for that office and he would at least have an equal chance against his opponent or opponents whoever they might be. But it is not justice or a fair deal to elect any candidate to any county office simply because he is a democrat or republican and in so doing turn out of office a first term who has made a creditable record.

The Monitor believes that a majority of the voters of Polk county are fair and square, want to act that way toward all their fellow citizens, and will reward Asa B. Robinson with a second term. That is what he deserves and is entitled to.

25 YEARS AGO

At last Independence has a ferry, something that has long been needed at that place. W. N. Jones of that place now has a force of men building a ferry boat and a pole 100 feet high is now being raised to support the cable.—Salem Statesman.

STUNG

Thursday morning Mrs. Chas. Norris noticed that her cow, which was picketed near the house, was running and kicking and on going to investigate ran into a yellow jacket's nest. They attacked her, covering her head and face, causing her to fall to the ground. She got up but fell again. A neighbor ran to her assistance and succeeded in getting her away from them. She was badly stung about the face and neck.—Falls City News.

RIVER OPEN

Traffic has been resumed on the Willamette and the steamer Oregon is now making three trips a week.

TO HELP YOUNG MEN & BOYS

Enthusiastic Meeting Held in Church And Permanent Organization Perfected

Last Tuesday evening a most enthusiastic meeting was held in the parlors of the Methodist church in the interests of the boys and young men of the city of Independence. Rev. W. C. Stewart gave an address stating the needs of the boy and what could be done to bring to pass a live organization whereby all these needs could be well cared for. The organization of the Boy Scouts of America was thought the solution of the problem. Many business and professional men were present. Most of the churches through their officers or pastors were in attendance and voiced the sentiment most enthusiastically.

At the conclusion of the address a Local Scout council was organized for the purpose of assisting in every way possible the boy movement in our city. The following were the officers elected and the committees appointed according to the constitution gotten out by the National Scout Council, of which Woodrow Wilson is the Honorary President, J. G. McIntosh, president, W. F. Campbell and W. Bones, vice presidents, Frank Fear, secretary, W. T. Tapscott, Jr., Treasurer. The executive committee is composed of the officers. Finance committee, Messrs. Knapp, Ingermanson and Gillispie. Court of Honor, Messrs. Hewitt, McIntire and Missall. Rev. W. C. Stewart was selected for the Scout Commissioner and Scout Master.

Eleven boys signified their intention of becoming members, and the examinations will begin immediately. Tuesday night was selected as the meeting night. The organization among the boys will be announced later. We hope that all the parents will get behind this organization and BOOST. Every boy between the age of 12 and 18 is eligible for membership.

By One Who Was There.

A CONGRESSIONAL BLANK

W. C. Hawley is a congressional blank, filed away in the dusty archives of the national capitol, and is used for reference whenever the "old guard" needs a reactionary vote. He has been card-indexed and tagged. He is classified as harmless, but necessary. He has been taught to eat out of the horny hand of former Speaker Joe Cannon and is one of the few remaining cogs in the bent and broken wheel which was built under the Cannon-Payne regime. If he ever performed any real service to his constituents they never heard of it. If he ever made a brilliant speech it has been expunged from the Congressional Record. If he ever did anything else of value aside from drawing his pay, the Washington correspondents have failed to record it. Hawley is a ladylike, well-meaning incompetent. He never measured up to his job when he was elected and is no further advanced at the present time than he was when he first received his commission of office. The republicans of the first congressional district were "stung" when they gave him his nomination. The entire voting population of the district was "stung" again when he was elected.

The great majority of Oregon newspapers concede that the statements made above are correct. It is not news. It is merely a statement of facts which are already quite familiar to the thinking people of the state.—Ashland Tidings.

BACK TO THE OLD LOVE

Falls City, which voted itself into an independent road district several months ago, evidently did not like it for last week the town voted itself back into the old district.

PASTOR GIVEN GLAD HAND WELCOMED BY MANY

Meeting Held At Church; Fine Musical Program Under J. G. McIntosh's Lead

Rev. W. C. Stewart, who last week became pastor of the Independence Methodist church, was given the glad hand and he and Mrs. Stewart were warmly welcomed to this city, at a largely attended meeting held in the church Monday evening. After a musical program, prepared under the direction of the choir leader, J. G. McIntosh, in which a number of the best musicians in the city assisted, Rev. W. T. Tapscott of the Baptist church delivered an address of welcome which made Rev. Stewart and wife glad they were here. Mrs. Guy Knapp in behalf of the choir extended greetings and plenty of music. B. F. Swope spoke in behalf of the professional and business men. Rev. Ben C. Crow passed the good word for the Christian church and J. G. McIntosh promised co-operation and assistance from the church membership. Then Rev. Stewart responded and stated in a few well chosen remarks what he would do and hoped to do. His words were inspiring. After the speeches, all went to the parlors below, where punch and cake was served and an hour was spent in social contact.

TO FIX BRIDGE

The bridge at Independence, across the slough will be redecked by the county court. The commissioners and roadmaster visited the structure this week, preparatory to inaugurating the work.—Dallas Observer.

MARRIED

Lynn V. Seeley and Miss Irene B. Grover were married yesterday by Rev. W. T. Tapscott at the Baptist parsonage. Immediately after the ceremony they departed for Portland where they will remain for several days.

Mr. Seeley is engaged in farming near Independence. Mrs. Seeley is a musician of merit and often has favored the churches with violin selections.

IMPROVING

Lots of new sidewalks are being built and plenty of paint being applied around town, which was needed. May the good work go on.

REGISTRATION CLOSED

Registration closed last night. There was a grand rush in the last two days. The "wet" and "dry" issue in both state and city caused workers on both sides to get the voters out and they evidently did their work well.

ARTS OF PEACE

A time will come when the science of destruction shall bend before the arts of peace, when genius, which multiplies our powers, which creates new products, which diffuses comfort and happiness among the great mass of the people, shall occupy the general estimation of mankind that rank which reason and common sense now assign it.—Atago.

CLAIMS THE GRAVEL

The state of Oregon threatens to get busy and claim the gravel that is being dug out of the Willamette river and other navigable streams of the state. It is claimed that permission has not been given to anybody to dig it out and sell it.

HOPGROWERS TO ORGANIZE

For the Protection of Their Industry And Maintenance of Profitable Prices

(Special to the Monitor)—The Hop Growers' Association of America having George Hewlett, a hop grower, as its president, with headquarters at Hopland, Mendocino county, California, has been formed for the mutual protection of hop growers and for the purpose of placing the hop-growing industry on a business-like basis. Membership is open exclusively to hop growers.

The Pacific Coast Hop Growers' Association will embrace Washington, Oregon and California, and the Atlantic Coast Hop Growers' Association will embrace New York State. The plan of organization consists of the selection of officers and a Board of Directors in each hop growing section. Delegates will be selected by each of such hop growers' organizations in each section to assemble in convention to be held during the month of November at Portland, Oregon. At that meeting ways and means will be devised so that no hop grower need sell his hops below the cost of production. Information will daily be furnished to each unit of this organization showing the exact status of the hop market. Raids on the market by short sellers and dealers in futures generally thereby demoralizing business will be prevented.

ELECT OFFICERS

The student body of the Independence High School has elected the following officers: President, Orin Dadman; vice president, Mary Howard; secretary, Lois Hewitt; treasurer, Abe Becker; social manager, Phyllis Bush; athletic manager, Don Pomeroy.

KIBBE BUSY

Glen E. Kibbe is a busy man these days. The three paving jobs he has are all located in different parts of the city which requires him to walk 6666 miles every day, going from one to the other.

NOT YET DECIDED

"Still Figgering" is what Homer Lodge, No. 45, K. of P. is doing regarding the building of a new hall. Most of the members favor the proposition.

SELLS OUT

T. H. Dix, who has conducted a photograph gallery in Independence for some time, has sold out.

Mrs. A. K. Chase entertained Monday afternoon in honor of her guests, Messdames Manshure and Setton of Knappton, Wash., and Mrs. Trullinger, of Astoria.

SPECIAL VOTE IN THIS CITY

"DRY" OR "WET" MIX

Petition Signed By Eighty One Declared Legal And Election Is Ordered

Well, the city of Independence will have a "dry" and "wet" fight all her own, regardless of the outcome in the state, and the ballots will be counted on the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 3. Should the state go "dry" the law would not go into effect until Jan. 1, 1915, thirteen months after so voted, and during this time Independence could be "wet" and will be unless the "drys" succeed in getting a majority vote in the coming local fight.

The petition containing the names of 81 Independence voters has been declared legal in every respect and notice of the election has been posted.

The Monitor will not attempt to prophesy the result. Both sides seem sure they will win.

POOR POLITICS

A long article casting reflections upon the record of Asa B. Robinson as county clerk appeared in the Dallas Observer this week. The principal complaint is that Mr. Robinson failed to keep his books "posted" up to date. By magnifying and using the powers of imagination fully it is hoped to make it a "scarecrow" of sufficient ugliness to swerve timid voters from their honest purpose of giving Mr. Robinson a second term.

Like all campaign "bunk" of the like it is of little consequence and will bring no results.

The action of the "republican county central committee" in scattering the article broadcast throughout the county in circular form was poor politics. As a result of this bad judgment, other republican county candidates will suffer as it will antagonize many democrats who intended to support them because of personal regard and will make many republicans lukewarm because of the unjust attack upon their personal friend, Asa B. Robinson.

A petition will be circulated in Independence this week which will be signed by voters of all parties, condemning and deploring the circulation of the circulars.

The Monitor always leads.

THE MYSTERIOUS STRANGER IN THE RANKS.



—Smith in Chicago Tribune.