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"WINDY BILL" IN TOILS**Commits Burglary. Walks Into Arms of Medford Police.**

In the person of William Welsh better known as "Windy Bill" or "Crazy Bill" the police of the city believe that they have one of the parties responsible for the looting of stores, warehouses and boxcars in the city for several months past. "Windy Bill" was nabbed by Night Officer Mego as he was leaving a store on Jackson street Wednesday evening with a sack of flour and two sides of bacon. So far he has failed to "squeal" on any of his pals.

Welsh gained entrance by way of a window to the store Wednesday night and was heard prowling around. Had it been the night before he might have been mistaken for Santa Claus but Wednesday night this theory didn't hold. The police were telephoned for and when Welsh climbed out through the window with the loot on him he walked into the spacious and waiting arms of Officer Mego.

The case has excited considerable sympathy. Welsh is only half witted and has a wife and several children. They have long been in dire necessity, and Welsh claims he stole to feed the "kid." An effort will be made to give him as light a penalty as possible owing to the circumstance and the season.—Tribune.

"Windy Bill" is well-known in this city, having resided here for some time with his family.

Death Calls Mrs. Rosenbaum.

A pall was cast over the joyousness of Christmas in many homes of the city Wednesday by the announcement of the death of Alice Gladys Rosenbaum which occurred at 11 a. m. Christmas. Death was caused by an illness of more than 12 years' duration during the course of which she won the love and respect of all who came in contact with her by the manner in which she bore up under her suffering, never losing her cheerful and helpful disposition.

Mrs. Rosenbaum was born at Weaverville, Cal., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Mathews. She was aged 40 years, two months and 25 days. She removed to Southern Oregon many years ago where she married A. S. Rosenbaum. They resided at Wolf creek, Grants Pass and Medford for many years.

In accord with her wish, funeral services at the home were dispensed with. Accompanied by Mr. Rosenbaum

and her brother, Grant Mathews of Foothills creek, the remains were placed on the Shasta Limited Wednesday night and taken to Portland for cremation.

Aside from her husband Mrs. Rosenbaum leaves a mother, a sister and a brother to mourn her death.

Mrs. Rosenbaum was a member of the Jacksonville lodge, order of the Eastern Star.—Tribune.

Oregon Pioneer Dead.

Corvallis, Or., Dec. 23.—Punderson Avery, former state senator for Benton county and an Oregon pioneer of 1847, died of pneumonia at Los Angeles this morning, after a brief illness. Accompanied by Mrs. Avery, he went south two weeks ago, following his custom of spending the winter in California, and was then in his usual good health.

He was born in Illinois, July 22, 1843 and at the age of four, crossed the plains with his mother to Oregon to join his father, who settled on the present site of Corvallis in 1845. He was engaged with his father for a number of years in the mercantile business at Corvallis and Umatilla, but later was a cattle grower on an extensive scale in the Chewaucan valley in south-central Oregon.

In 1886 he returned to Corvallis, where he was one of a firm of four that built and operated the Benton Flouring mills. From this activity he retired several years ago, and has since devoted himself to the care of farm and other property.

He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. F. A. Helm, Corvallis; Mrs. Florence Jones, Paisley; and Mrs. B. F. Irvine, Portland, and by a brother, G. W. Avery of Corvallis.

Besides the widow, the members of his immediate family are Mrs. Fulton, a daughter, Corvallis, and four sons, Virgil and Grover Avery, Corvallis; Chester Avery, Klamath Falls; and Clarence Avery, Weston. The interment will be at Corvallis at a date yet to be arranged.

Death of Mrs. E. Penny.

Friday morning at the residence of W. C. Deneff occurred the death of Mrs. Emma Penny.

Mrs. Penny arrived in Jacksonville from Los Angeles, Cal., the beginning of the week and was taken ill on the journey. Dr. Golden, who was in attendance, pronounced pleurisy to be the cause of her death. Wm. Chase of Sterling is a brother of the deceased, who was 55 years of age.

The remains will be sent to Los Angeles for interment.

TAXPAYERS MAY VOTE**Not Necessary to be Free Holder to Vote at Road Meeting.**

It is not necessary to be a free holder to vote at the road district meetings for special road tax. Any taxpayer, whether owning real estate or not, is entitled to vote.

County Judge-elect Tou Velle makes public the following opinion on the subject from Neff & Mealey, attorneys:

"In reply to your inquiry relative to what is meant by the word taxpayers as is used in Section 6321 Lord's Oregon Laws, we will say that in our opinion, the word taxpayers means that portion of the lawful voters of the road district who own property in the district which is subject to taxation and upon which he should pay taxes.

"In reply to your further inquiry as to whether or not a person having a homestead in said district is a taxpayer, we will cite you to section 3557 Lord's Oregon Laws, which reads as follows:

"The assessor must assess all improvements on lands, the fee of which is still vested in the United States, as personal property until the settler hereon or claimant thereof has made final proof. After final proof has been made, and a certificate issued therefor, the land itself must be assessed, notwithstanding the patent has not been issued."

"Under this section, if the homesteader has any improvements what ever upon his homestead he owns property which is subject to taxation and if otherwise qualified, is entitled to vote at the meetings provided for in section 6321."—Tribune.

First Trip out of County in years.

Mrs. Frank Kasshafer, wife of the bailiff in the circuit court at this city left Sunday for San Francisco where she will visit her two daughters. This is Mrs. Kasshafer's first trip outside of Jackson county since her arrival here in 1868, just 44 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Kasshafer came to Southern Oregon following the completion of the Civil war in which Mr. Kasshafer signally distinguished himself. They had a difficult time reaching Jacksonville at that time, and have resided in this county ever since.

The American Bonding Co. of Baltimore will go on your bond and write burglary insurance.

D. W. BAGSHAW, Agent.

WILL ASK REHEARING**Supreme Court Will be Asked to Reconsider Medford Bridge.**

Attorney E. D. Briggs has been at Jacksonville most of the week on legal business. He stated Monday evening that the matter of the Medford bridge would be brought before the supreme court again for a rehearing.

The contention of Mr. Briggs as legal representative of Messrs. Bowers and Carlton was practically upheld by the supreme court in all points except as to the highway on which the bridge is built being a city street of Medford. Mr. Briggs believes that in the re-hearing he can convince the supreme court that its decision on this point should be reversed.

The airing of the Medford bridge proposition has been of benefit to the county. It has definitely fixed the amount to be paid by the county at \$18,000 and has made the payment of this amount contingent upon the payment of \$16,000 by the city of Medford and the Pacific and Eastern Railway company. It has also decided the status of the road moneys which have heretofore been dumped into the general fund and the ruling in this instance will serve as a guide to future county courts much to the advantage of the public.—Record.

Christmas Tree and Program.

Last Tuesday evening at the M. E. Church, a most enjoyable Christmas program was presented. Much credit is due the teachers for their work in drilling the little ones who certainly performed their parts well.

Two of the most interesting features of the program were the tableaux entitled "The Mother and the Babe," and "Clinging to the Cross."

A Christmas tree occupied one corner by the platform and treats were distributed to the children.

The following program was rendered to a large audience:

Hymn, "Joy to the World," Congregation.

Prayer, Rev. Rummell.

Recitation, "Welcome," Albert Hackert.

Tableau, "The Mother and the Babe."

Exercise, "Joy for His Coming," Nine Girls.

Acrostic, "Christmas," Primary boys.

Recitation, Thelma Walford.

Recitation, Alta Walsh.

Exercise, "The World's Gifts," four boys.

Solo, "The Little Stranger," Jeanie Tuck.

Recitation, "The Christmas Story," Ellen Hartman.

Song, "The Angel's Messages," Two Classes.

Recitation, "The Little Page," Miss Myra Gallup.

Recitation, "If I was Santa Claus," Henry Neidermeyer.

Exercise, "Crown Jewels," Six Girls.

Recitation, George Moore.

Exercise, "Gifts for the King," Three Girls.

Exercise, "Starry Wreaths," Primary Girls.

Exercise, "What will you give to Jesus," Primary Boys.

Hymn, "All Hail the Power," Congregation.

Tableau, "Clinging to the Cross."

Talk by Pastor.

Benediction.

Presbyterian Church Exercises.

A splendid Christmas program was given at the Presbyterian Sunday School in the basement of the church, on Christmas eve.

The room was beautifully decorated and the Christmas spirit seemed to prevail among the large audience which gathered there.

Much credit is due Miss Carrie Beckman for the way in which the musical part of the program was rendered.

The Christmas songs will be repeated by the choir and Sunday School pupils Sunday evening, December 29. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Economy to be Watchword.

That the new county court will itself purchase all county supplies and that officials must pay for any supplies ordered by them and not bought by the court, is the assertion made by County Judge-elect Tou Velle and Commissioner-elect Leever after a conference held in Medford Saturday. Economy

is to be the watchword of the new administration.

"We were elected pledged to economy and efficiency," stated Judge Tou Velle "and we intend to live up to it. All leaks will be stopped. The court has to pay all bills, and as the responsible parties, we intend to exercise the same care and vigilance that we do in our personal business affairs."

"The law will be strictly lived up to. County offices will be opened promptly at 8 o'clock a. m. and kept open until 5 o'clock p. m. Only deputies really needed will be approved, and the surplus ones cut out—and efficiency will be the sole requirement."

"The county court will buy the supplies from the lowest bidder—preference being given county firms wherever possible," stated Commissioner Leever.

"The new board is in accord in these subjects and will work together."

"One of our first moves will be to re-district the county in road districts cutting up some of the districts that are unwieldy and too large. The money to be spent by the supervisors will be under our direction and upon our order. The commissioners intend to personally look after this work themselves, even if it takes all of their time."—Mail-Tribune.

Parents-Teachers Meeting.

The second meeting of the Parent-teacher's Association was held Dec. 20, 1912.

The very interesting program was carried out as arranged.

The primary pupils gave the first part of the program. The little folk's songs and recitations were enjoyed very much.

The duet by Mrs. Hoek and Miss Edith Hoef was very well rendered, and received hearty applause.

Mrs. Thompson read a very interesting article on "Who Does the Promoting." It would have been well if more mothers and fathers had heard this article, as there are many of us that hold the same opinion as "Johnnie's" mother.

Professor Harrington stated in an address the necessity of the cooperation of parents and teachers.

Some very practical examples of obedience were brought out in a series of clippings by Mrs. Rummell and Miss Neevil.

Immediately after adjournment light refreshments were served by the teachers during which all enjoyed a good social time.

Oregon Sidelights.

Banks Herald: Someone is going to start a milk farm over near Florence. It will not be a great many years before there will be farms for raising any and all kinds of animals that will pay to bother with.

Eugene Register: The new Presbyterian chapel erected this side of Haggdricks' bridge at Cedar Flat, is about completed and is one of the neatest little churches in the country. It will seat 200 people.

Oregon City Courier: Oh, you easterners! The nearest this part of Oregon has come to winter has been two white frosts. The roses yet bloom, the rosebuds yet push out and the thermometer hangs between 50 and 60.

Baker Democrat: A contract has been let to furnish five steel bridges to the county for delivery one or prior to July 1, 1913, at a cost of \$6050. The bridge for the North Powder river is the largest of the five and will be built at the joint expense of Baker and Union counties.

Monroe Leader: A furniture factory is one of the industries for which Monroe is an ideal location. An inexhaustible supply of oak, maple and fir, timber especially valuable for this purpose, is found near Monroe. There are ample facilities for shipment, and a home market that is constantly growing.

Rev. T. F. Schlosser, a native of Illinois, and graduate of the Chicago University Divinity school, has taken the pastorate of the Baptist church at Carlton and Rev. T. M. White has taken charge of the Christian church as pastor. He was formerly missionary pastor at Spay and Fossil in Wheeler county.

Corvallis Gazette Times. Two important Shropshire ewe lambs arrived here this week for the George Armstrong Shropshire flock. Last year Mr. Armstrong received four imported ewes bred in England. With these ewes and their lambs, and other sheep from noted breeders, M. Armstrong hopes within a few years to build up a fine flock of Shropshires.—Journal.

WE'RE CLASS THREE**In Governor West's New Scheme to Fix County Salaries.**

After much figuring Gov. West has completed his tentative plan for fixing salaries of all county officials of the state on an equal basis. What the actual salaries shall be is left to the legislature, but his plan places each county in a certain class, according to its area, population and assessed valuation.

He has taken each county and figured the ratio of its assessed valuation as equalized by the state board of tax commissioners to the entire assessed valuation of the state. In like manner he figured each county's percentage of population and area. Then he added the three and divided by three to get the average.

This separates the counties of the state into five classes. Class one includes counties with percentages over five per cent, class two counties over four per cent, class three counties over three per cent, class four counties over two per cent, class five counties under two per cent.

According to this classification in class one is Multnomah county. Class two—Lane, Malheur and Marion. Class three—Clackamas, Crook, Douglas, Harney, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Linn and Umatilla. Class four—Baker, Coos, Grant, Union, Wasco, Washington, and Yamhill. Class five—Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln, Morrow, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Wallowa and Wheeler.—Ashland Record.

\$12,000 For Boy's Death.

A verdict for \$12,000 was returned by the jury in the damage suit brought by James T. Flaugherly for \$25,000 against the Oregon-California Power Company for the death of his son, who was killed last spring near the Opp mine by an electric current while in the employ of the company. The verdict was returned Saturday. The case will be appealed.

Young Flaugherly was employed by the electric company as a line man and was at work on the top of a pole near this city when he came in contact with a live wire which instantly killed him.

A. E. Reames represented the plaintiff and A. C. Hough and W. P. Mealey the defendants.

Lounsberry Witnesses Called.

Wells Lounsberry, the Medford fruit-grower, who turned out to be a professional train robber, goes to trial January fourteenth at Topeka, Kansas for robbing a train near Leavenworth last summer, which discovery caused him to confess the robbery of the mail train between Red Bluff and Redding over a year ago. Among the Medford witnesses subpoenaed for the defense are H. C. Garnett, Geo. Daggert, W. H. Stewart, C. M. Kidd and W. T. York. Defense will be insanity and these witnesses are expected to contribute some parts of the link. Mrs. Lounsberry and the children are expected to be at the trial.—Ashland Record.

Indians Send Gifts to Poor.

Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 24.—Determined to show they are as thrifty as most white people, the Indians on the Umatilla reservation today sent Annie Minthorn, squaw, to town with twenty quarts of canned fruit to be distributed among Pendleton's poor whites. The action of the Indians comes as a surprise as many residents expected to make the inhabitants of the reservation the special objects of their charity.

The squaw had collected the fruit from the members of the Totuilla Indian church congregation, and they dispatched the word that more would be forthcoming if needed.

Timothy, red clover, home grown alfalfa seeds. Taylor-Williams Co.

California Woman Seriously Alarm.

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were sore and inflamed. I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sautelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

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