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## REBELS SAY BRITON HAD FULL HEARING

Declare Benton Was Executed  
for Armed Violence Against  
General Villa.

El Paso, Tex.—The record of the alleged court-martial of William S. Benton, made public at Juarez late, asserts that the Scotchman was present, that he was represented by a rebel officer as attorney, and was permitted to testify, and that the session was public.

He was executed for attempted armed violence against General Villa, declares the record, and was found guilty of giving aid and comfort to the enemy by giving them cattle and forage and by giving them information.

Benton's friends on this side of the Rio Grande received the report with sneers. They pointed to their knowledge of many years that he guarded against possible serious results of his high spirit and temper by never carrying a pistol. The statements that Benton was allowed to testify and that the proceedings were public carried no conviction to the men who assert that their friend was deliberately murdered.

"The accused," says the report, "was arraigned and having been advised to name someone to defend him, Captain Mariano Tamez was designated for this purpose and was warned to defend Benton loyally."

Washington.—It is understood a complete report on the execution at Juarez of William S. Benton, the British subject, is awaited before the view of this government toward the incident is made known.

On the truth or falsity of Villa's statement that Benton tried to kill him will depend the view which the British and United States governments will take.

## HOID UP INTERURBAN TRAIN

Three Masked Men Take \$350 on Seattle-Tacoma Train.

Seattle.—Overawed by the revolver carried by the bandits, 60 passengers and the train crew on the south-bound Seattle-Tacoma interurban local train, leaving Seattle at 9:05 and due in Tacoma at 10:45, were held up and robbed of an aggregate of \$400 by three highwaymen Saturday night at South Slide station, 20 minutes out from Seattle.

The bandits forced Norris King, a boy of Kent, to carry a hat through the smoker, obtaining \$200 from the male occupants. One of the bandits handled the rear car, getting \$100 from the men and women passengers. The remainder of the \$400 was obtained from the trainmen.

## MISS HOBBS PROBES SALOON SITUATION

Cove, Or.—Miss Fern Hobbs "marched right in, turned right around and marched right out again," after passing little more than two hours investigating the saloon situation here, complaints against which caused Governor West to send the young woman here to probe the affair.

The clicking of a moving-picture machine marked time for the fair and lonely invader. But the word "lonely" cannot be taken literally here. The movie man came on the same train with Miss Hobbs and kept her in focus practically during her entire visit.

Just what Miss Hobbs accomplished or what the result of her visit and investigation will be, remains to be seen. She says she, herself, does not know.

That the conditions here are different from those at Copperfield, the saloons of which place she caused to be closed by virtually inaugurating the martial law, which was declared there, was the announcement of Miss Hobbs before she left Cove.

Mayor Wilson and the council members showed Miss Hobbs every courtesy and eagerly watched for an opportunity to aid her in any way possible. The young woman later said she was delighted with her reception and treatment while here.

With little formality Miss Hobbs met the city officials and, with their aid, she went over the city ordinances covering the liquor question.

Mrs. Edith Long of Salem visited at the home of her brother Arthur Caspell a few days last week.



## The only 1913-14 World's Championship Round-up at Pendleton, Oreg. "Let 'er Buck"

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STAYTON THEATRE. FRI. FEB. 27

## THE PENDLETON ROUND-UP PICTURES

The 1913 Pendleton Round-Up pictures will be the attraction at the Stayton Theatre Friday evening Feb. 27. The Pendleton Round-Up is the largest and best wild west show, all the largest and best riders of the world taking part in its many events.

The committee every year strives to make the show bigger and better than the preceding year. How successful they have been may be judged by the ever increasing crowds attending the show. The attendance last year being over thirty-five thousand. New York sending a special car.

The pictures show each and every event as they occur in the arena and not a hodge podge of various events picked at random and called a round-up. It takes seven reels to show the entire Round-Up. They are full of thrills, action and amusement and at times it is hard for the spectator to realize that he is looking at the reproduction and not the real thing.

Any one with red blood in their veins that are lovers of good clean healthy outdoor sport can not afford to miss this wonderful pictures.

Admission 15 and 25c

## STAYTON DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE ORGANIZED

The Stayton Development League was fully organized Monday night with Geo. Keech as President, J. W. Mayo as Vice President and John Thoma as Secretary-Treasurer. The following were elected as directors in addition to the above: Geo. Spaniol, C. H. Brewer, S. L. Stewart, H. E. Bennett, E. D. Alexander.

The constitution and by-laws were adopted at the same meeting and the regular monthly dues set at 50 cents. The meeting night will be the second Monday of each month. The place for the present will be the city hall.

It is not expected that the League will change the map of Oregon to any great extent, but it can help in a thousand ways to get those things that in the aggregate make up a very considerable of our business life and activity.

One of the prime reasons for the forming of this League is to bring the business men in closer touch with each other and mold them together in a body politic, so that when we do want a particular thing to come to pass there will be a concerted effort instead of spasmodic jerks.

If you are a business man, you are invited to join the League. If you are interested in any way in Stayton's welfare you are invited to join us. The next meeting night will be Monday, March 9, come.

NEW STOCK—Creme and Ornamental paper at Brewer's Drug Store.

## BIG HIGH CLASS SHOW COMING

Manager Rizzo of the Stayton Theatre takes great pleasure in announcing to the people of Stayton and vicinity that he has succeeded in securing Fred Raymond's great comedy success "The Missouri Girl" for date of Wednesday only, Mar. 4th here.

This is the same show exactly that plays Alhambra, Salem and all the larger cities.

The company carries two complete sets of special scenery, the smaller of which will fit the local stage very nicely, thus insuring the complete production the same as seen in the regular city theatres.

As the management here is under a heavy expense in securing this excellent attraction, it is to be hoped that local theatre-goers will appreciate his efforts to give them first class attractions, by packing the house on the above date. Prices 25 & 50c

Don't Forget, you should always take a spring medicine, such as Beef Iron & Wine, Rambo Blood Builder, Iron Tonic Bitters, etc., \$1.00 the large bottle at Beauchamp's.

B. Pompella and family and Mrs. La-throp of West Stayton were business visitors here Monday.



Kathryn Cameron

As "Mrs. Grubb" in the "Missouri Girl" at the Stayton Theatre, Wednesday, March 4.

Lime and Sulphur Spray at Brewer's Drug Store.

Why not have your umbrella repaired in Stayton? Umbrellas recovered—samples to select from. F. Silhavy's Wagon and Repair Shop. Water St.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout  
the State During the Past  
Week.

**Lived Six Months With Broken Neck.**  
Pendleton.—After living for more than six months with a broken neck, Frank Dunton, Canyon City stockman, died in this city. Dunton, while watching some children playing in his barn, endeavored to show them some tricks on a trapeze. He fell to the floor, striking on his head, and fracturing the sixth and seventh vertebrae. Since then he has been entirely paralyzed.

**Sunday Closing Is Intent.**  
Salem.—To prohibit the conduct of business and gainful amusements on Sunday is the object of a measure to be initiated at the next election by the Washington County Christian Endeavor Union. The bill was approved as to form by Secretary of State Olcott.

The measure exempts drug stores, physicians' shops, undertakers, livery stables, butchers and bakers.

**Long Lost Diamond in Chicken's Crop.**  
Clatskanie.—About eight months ago Mrs. Robert Bryant lost a diamond setting out of a ring. Long search for the missing gem proved unavailing. A few days ago, on the occasion of her husband's birthday, as she was preparing a fowl for dinner, she found the lost stone in the crop of the fowl.

**Regatta Plans Started.**  
Astoria.—A mass meeting of business men and citizens generally is to be held on the evening of March 3, when a committee will be selected to take charge of the 19th annual regatta. This meeting will also fix the date for the water carnival, but it is generally understood that July 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be selected.

**Party Lines Only Test.**  
Salem.—Attorney General Crawford, in an opinion, holds that a qualified elector was not limited in signing the petition of one candidate for an office, but may sign petitions of all candidates if they are members of the party with which he affiliates.

**WOULD CONSOLIDATE BOARDS**  
Desert Land Board, State Engineer and Water Board May Go.

Salem.—A movement has been started to initiate a measure at the next election to abolish the state desert land board, the state water board and the state engineer's office, and put the business handled by these three departments in charge of one board, thus effecting a considerable saving to the taxpayers.

Governor West states that at the recent meeting of the Oregon Irrigation congress in Portland, delegates from Central Oregon put the proposition up to him and asked for his approval. He said he favored the movement and would give his support to the proposed measure. He said a large saving would be made by such a change.

He declared that the desert land board, as now constituted, is a useless affair, and the state engineer's office is an expensive luxury. The plan is to give the one board to be created in place of the three departments authority to appoint an engineer.

**Fishing Rules Protected.**  
Astoria.—During the past few days quite a number of letters have been sent by packers and fishermen to Colonel McKinstry, of the United States Engineers, protesting against the proposal of the department to prohibit fishing within a prescribed district at the mouth of the river.

**Goat Industry Started.**  
The Dalles.—W. F. Ripley has started a new industry in this vicinity, that of goat-raising. He raises the Toggenberg goat, which is the mainstay of the cheese industry of Switzerland. This goat is of the blue-blooded variety, and with a pedigree, it is more valuable than the thoroughbred cow.

**Few Dogs Show Symptoms.**  
Baker.—Forty-two dogs have been killed in Baker as the result of violation of the muzzling ordinance passed by the city commissioner as a preventive measure against spread of rabies. Only six of these have shown symptoms of the disease.

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