

SWINDLER ARRESTED

John King Who Tried to Buy
Up This City Caught
at Salem

WOODBURN BANK BITES

Leaves Here for Woodburn and Con-
tinues Grafting Operations Under
Another Name—Rents
Business Block.

Salem, March 27.—William Bell,
alias John King, was arrested here
on complaint of the Bank of Wood-
burn.

On arriving in Woodburn, he identi-
fied himself at once with prominent
members of secret societies in the
town, and posed as a wealthy capital-
ist from Montreal. He commenced
his operations by leasing the new Ma-
sonic building for a term of years,
giving a check on the Bank of Mon-
real for \$750 to bind the bargain. He
gave out that his son would arrive in
the city shortly to open a furnishing
store, and stated that he and his son
would make their future home in
that place.

He succeeded in getting a check
for fifty dollars cashed by the Bank
of Woodburn is said to have taken
in other business houses in the town.
When he attempted to place on de-
posit in the Bank of Woodburn a
check for \$20,000 drawn on the Bank
of Montreal, the local bank officials
became suspicious and telegraphed to
Montreal, receiving a reply to the ef-
fect that William Bell had no funds
on deposit in that bank.

Tuesday morning Bell left Wood-
burn and came to Salem, arriving here
armed with letters of introduction to
prominent Elks and Masons. He went
to George Bingham, who had drawn
the lease for the Masonic building at
Woodburn with a letter of introduc-
tion, and soon after was arrested by
Chief Gibson on information from the
Woodburn bank.

He will be held on a charge of ob-
taining money under false pretenses,
but it will be necessary to send to
Montreal for witnesses.

Bell is the man who, posing as a
well dressed Englishman, tried to
work Oregon City for his sustenance
and succeeded in passing a worthless
check on Louis Nobel for \$20. He
gave out that he was a wealthy capi-
talist from Los Angeles, and opened
negotiations for the purchase of the
Albright property on Main street, ten-
dering a worthless check for \$700 to
W. F. Schooley, through whom the
deal was to be consummated. Last
Friday he went to the home of Thom-
as Lindsay, above Canemah, and stay-
ed at his farm all day, representing
that he was looking for a farm to
buy. He got nothing from Lindsay
but an umbrella.

Saturday Nobel swore out a warrant
for his arrest, and Chief of Police
Burns telephoned his description to
surrounding towns. If the charge
against him at Woodburn is not push-
ed he will be brought here, for the
Bankers' Protective association has

signified its intention of pushing the
case against him, as he is thought to
be a dangerous swindler, who has
been working in many towns on the
coast.

TAKES CARBOLIC ACID.

Special to Daily Star.
Forest Grove, March 27.—Mrs. Wm.
Beard, living near Green Mountain
took carbolic acid yesterday afternoon
with suicidal intent. This morning
she was still alive, but her recovery is
doubtful.

APPOINTS CHAPERONE.

Salem, Oregon, March 27.—Govern-
or Chamberlain today announced the
appointment of Dr. Wm. Horsfall as
physician of the Girl's Drill Team that
will represent Oregon at the James-
town Exposition. Lydia E. Horsfall, his
wife was appointed chief musician and
chaperone.

CHIEF DOES NOT USE LEFT HANDED WRENCH

Chief Ruonich of the fire depart-
ment maintains that he is in the right
of the question of the fire hydrants
that were out of commission. He
says that all statements to the con-
trary notwithstanding, he can intro-
duce proof that certain hydrants were
entirely useless. The chief is rather
indignant that he should be accused
of using a left-handed monkey wrench
to pursue his investigations into the
conditions of Oregon City's fire-fight-
ing resources.

He is not inclined to make the mat-
ter a personal one, and makes no
charges and accuses no one for the
conditions in which some of the hy-
drants were found.

FINDS SKELTON.

Special to Daily Star.
Walla, Walla, Wash., March 27.—
The skeleton of a young man was
dug up here near the fair grounds to-
day. It is thought to be the remains of
a young man who died about 25 years
ago. This may be a murder mystery
or the work of the vigilantes.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES.

The services at St. John's church
during the three days before Easter
will be as follows:

On Holy Thursday, solemn high
mass at 9 o'clock a. m., in commemo-
ration of our Lord's last supper. In
the evening at 7:30 the lamentations
of Jeremiah the prophet will be sung
by John Finneane, Michael Mickels,
the pastor and the choir, also prayers
and sermon in honor of the Blessed
Sacrament.

On Good Friday, the Veneration of
the Cross and the mass of the presen-
tified will be offered up and the Pas-
sion of Christ according to St. John
will be read; this services will be at
9 a. m.

In the evening at 7:30 the stations
of the Cross, sermon on the death of
Christ and Lamentations as on the
evening before.

On Holy Saturday the services will
commence at 7 a. m., consisting of
the blessing of the Easter Fire, East-
er and Baptismal Water, Easter Can-
dle and Mass.

On Easter Sunday and Saturday the
pastor will be assisted by Rev. Ur-
ban Fisher, O. S. B. of Mt. Angel.
Easter Sunday morning the first mass
will be at 6 a. m., the second at 8
a. m., and the third, high mass at
10:30. Particular announcements for
Easter will be made later.

BUILD UP THE CITY

Scheme for Public Wharf Start-
ed Again This Time
in Earnest

DREDGE RIVER CHANNEL

Informal Board of Trade Meeting Lis-
tens to Plans of Government En-
gineer for Development of
City and County.

A few of the members of the board
of trade who could be gotten at were
hurriedly summoned for a special
meeting of the board Tuesday after-
noon by Frank Busch, in the office of
the secretary.

At this informal meeting a project
that will be of the utmost importance
to Oregon City and Clackamas county
was discussed and although no de-
finite steps could be taken, the ball
was set rolling for an improvement
that means more to the city than any-
thing that has been undertaken in a
long time.

There were present at the meeting
Captain E. W. Spencer, Captain Hos-
ford and Mr. Marshall of Portland,
and Colonel E. D. Roesler, a United
States engineer, who is connected with
the river and harbor work. The mat-
ter of a public wharf that has been
spoken of for the past twenty years
was discussed fully, and plans were
mentioned whereby the wharf could
be made one of the greatest factors
in the development of the county.

Colonel Roesler proposed a scheme
by which some of the appropriation
of the government for rivers and har-
bors might be utilized in dredging
out a channel in the Willamette from
the deep water near St. John's catholic
church down through Meldrum's bar
and past the rapids at the point where
the Clackamas empties into the Will-
amette.

There was a large appropriation
passed at the last session of con-
gress, and it is understood that at
least \$60,000 of this is available for
use on the Willamette.

The advantages of this step to Ore-
gon City it is stated can hardly be
told. This channel would do away
with the fall of seven feet at the rap-
ids, and besides making a good chan-
nel for navigation all the year would
add seven feet to the power of the
falls. Colonel Roesler estimates that
it would cost only about \$5000 to
dredge a channel eight feet deep
and 200 feet wide extending 4000 feet
through the gravel bottom of the riv-
er to a point below the rapids.

Aside from the increased power
that would be given, the danger to
Green Point and the lower part of
town during high water would be
greatly abrogated, and would increase
the value of the property in that part
of town.

The proposition of a public wharf
that might be free to any boat on the
river has been agitated for many
years. Frank Busch has been espe-
cially active in advocating this, as has
Harvey E. Cross. Some twenty years
ago, when there was talk of a rail-
road up the valley of the Clackamas,
this step was deemed necessary to the
welfare of the city, and ever since
then it has been spoken of at inter-
vals. At this time when the railroad
up the Molalla seems a certainty, it
is again being spoken of, and the ad-
vantages to the county are being put
forth.

The ideal place for this wharf is the
river bank at the foot of Eleventh
street, where Eleventh and Moss
streets merge. If it were located here
the two streets would give two ap-
proaches, and they could be graduated
so that they would be of easy access
at any stage of the river.

Whether the cost of constructing
this would be borne by the city or by
the city and county co-jointly is a
matter of opinion, but that it should
be done is universally believed to be
the best step that could be taken for
the development of the city and coun-
ty.

Money to Loan.

On real estate, \$3,000, \$1,000, \$500,
\$200 and other sums to suit conven-
ience of borrowers. C. H. Dye, 13-ml

SETTLES DISPUTE

D. E. Keasy Takes Matter of
Boundary Line Into His
Own Hands.

WARRANT SWORN OUT

Alleged That Keasey With Fifteen
Men Tears Down Fence Put
up by H. A. Andrews
on Agreement.

Deputy Sheriff Chas. Ely of this
county went to Portland Wednesday
morning to serve a warrant for ar-
rest on D. E. Keasey of Portland, on
complaint of H. A. Andrews.

Keasey is agent for a certain wo-
man in Portland who owns the prop-
erty adjoining that of Andrews near
Risley. There has been some dispute
between Andrews and Keasey over
the boundary line between the two
places, and about two months ago
the two parties together hired Hal
Rands to survey the tracts and locate
the correct boundary. After the sur-
veying, the parties agreed to erect a
wire fence on the correct boundary.
Andrews building the fence and Kea-
sey paying the sum of fifty dollars as
his half interest in the fence.

The fence was recently completed
and Sunday Keasey, with a party of
fifteen men, arrived from Portland,
and without giving any apparent re-
ason for their action they completely
destroyed the fence by cutting it to
pieces.

Andrews objected to this and swore
out a warrant for the arrest of Kea-
sey Monday. Deputy Ely is expected
to arrive in this city this afternoon
with his man, who will appear before
Justice Stipp to have a date set for
his hearing.

WANTS CARE OF CHILD.

Judge Gordon Hayes filed a suit
with the county clerk Wednesday
morning on behalf of George A. Rail,
who wants a divorce from his wife,
Hattie Rail.

The complaint alleges that the cou-
ple were married in Portland, Decem-
ber 10, 1906, and that about two years
ago Mrs. Rail deserted her husband,
leaving him with the care of their
two-year old child. He states that
the woman is not a fit person to have
charge of the child, and asks that
the court free him from his bonds
and give him the custody of little
Delman.

BASKET BALL TEAMS.

The students of the Eastham school
are talking of organizing two basket
ball teams. As there are no accom-
modations for this game at the East-
ham school, the students have made
arrangements with City Superintend-
ent M. C. McKee for the use of the
Barclay school gymnasium. Mr. Mc-
Kee readily agreed to let them use
the gymnasium two nights every week,
but is has not been decided yet as to
just what evenings they will use it.
A practice game will probably be
played Wednesday evening. This will
be more of a tryout to enable the
captains, who are to be chosen at
this meeting a chance to get a line
on the candidates.

FRANK BUSCH INJURED.

Frank Busch had the misfortune to
step on a wire nail and drive it into
his foot Wednesday morning, while
at work in his warehouse. The nail
penetrated the foot to a depth of a
quarter of an inch, but the wound,
while painful, is not thought to be
dangerous. Dr. Sommer attended him
and cleansed the wound immediately.

GIRLS' LITERARY SOCIETY NAMED

The girl's literary society of the
Barclay high school has at last adopt-
ed a name. At a recent meeting held
in the school building, it was decided
that hereafter the society will be
known to the world as the Veritas Lit-
erary society of the Barclay High
school. It will meet every Friday af-
ternoon in the high school rooms and
the work will be of a literary and
musical nature. Debating will also

be a feature of the meetings.
The arrangement of the programs
will be in the hands of a program
committee consisting of three able
and popular students: Misses Alice
Goetting, Isabel Gregory and Gene-
vieve Capen.

GERMAN CHURCH SERVICES.

The Rev. Lucas of Portland, pas-
tor of the German Evangelical church
here, is holding meetings in the
church every evening this week be-
ginning at 7:30. Good Friday will
be observed with a sermon by the
pastor at 11 a. m.

REBEKAHS MEET HERE IN CONVENTION

A district convention of the Rebe-
kah Lodge was entertained by Wil-
lamette Rebekeh lodge No. 2 of Ore-
gon City in W. O. W. hall Wednes-
day. Although these conventions have
been held for some time in the state
of Oregon, this was the first of this
district.

The convention was called by the
vice-president of the Rebekeh as-
sembly, Mrs. William Galloway of Mc-
Minnville. The lodges of the dis-
trict to participate are Milwaukie No.
150; Estacada 147, Oswego 71, Clack-
amas 113, Molalla 159. The object of
the convention is to assist weak lodges
in gaining strength; to promote
fraternal relations among lodges and
to discuss measures for the welfare
and progress of Rebekeh lodges
throughout the district.

A large attendance greeted the in-
itial meeting and the forenoon was
given up to organization. After lun-
cheon a continuation of the busi-
ness session was followed by a pro-
gram of vocal and piano solos, read-
ings and recitations, from the various
lodges represented.

The members of Rebekeh were
banqueted at six o'clock and then
went to I. O. O. F. hall for a special
meeting when three new candidates,
Mr. Francis and the Misses Iva and
Pearl Harrington were initiated in-
to the order, displaying the excellent
drill work of the Willamette staff for
the entertainment of the visitors. A
reception followed the work.

I. O. O. F. hall was simply but
effectively decorated in ivy for the oc-
casion. Both the entertainment com-
mittee, with Mrs. S. S. Walker as
chairman, and the program commit-
tee with Mrs. J. J. Cooke as chair-
man, are to be congratulated upon
the success of the affair with the
short time at their disposal for ar-
rangements.

BASEBALL MATTERS.

The rainy weather of the last week
has seriously interfered with the
practice work of the Barclay base-
ball team. However this does not in
any way dampen the spirits of the
student body, as they are confident of
winning by a large score from the
Parkplace team.

Manager Blanchard recently receiv-
ed a letter from the manager of the
Mount Angel college baseball team
desiring a game with the local school.
It is not known at present whether
a game can be arranged, the sched-
ules of both teams being nearly fill-
ed.

ADMINISTRATOR.

Frank Nicholas has been appointed
administrator of the estate of Alfred
Nicholas who died in July, 1902, near
Highland. The estate consists of
property worth about \$2000.

TRACING THE GRAFT

Grand Jury Getting Down to
Disposal of Money Paid
for Franchise

CLOSING ON SUSPECTS

Home Telephone Company's Graft
Bought Franchise Being Probed
and Offenders Brought
to Light.

San Francisco, March 27.—The pro-
secution is getting close to the passing
of the bribery money from the
Home telephone company. Step by
step the sack has been traced from
the capitalists who constructed it till
it reached the bank in Los Angeles
which transferred it to the Empire
Construction company. This is the
company that did the work for the
telegraph company and paid the money
to Ruel and Schmitz to avoid suspi-
cion being fastened upon the real in-
stigatons of the graft.

The afternoon session of the grand
jury is being spent in tracing the
course of the \$300,000 that was spent
in obtaining the franchise of the tel-
ephone company. It is expected that
several indictments will be returned
today.

VOTED FOR HIGHER TAXES AND FORGOT

The force of the sheriff's office is
being deluged with communications
from the residents of the Marquam
neighborhood, who write in all sorts
of ways concerning the rate of taxa-
tion in their district. The general
tenor of all the letters, however, is
to the effect that the taxes are too
high.

Sheriff Beattie is replying to these
with the gentle reminder that Mar-
quam voted a school levy of fifteen
mills, which has evidently escaped the
minds of the indignant Marquamites.
He says that if people vote for higher
taxes it is not his fault if they get
what they want.

MAKES APPOINTMENTS.

Salem, Or. March 27.—The State
board of agriculture in session today
appointed W. H. Downing to succeed
himself as president. W. S. Matlock
of Pendleton, was appointed secretary
to succeed Jasper Wilkins, deceased.
The board adjourned to the fair-
grounds to look over the new stock
buildings for which an appropriation
of \$20,000 was made by the last legis-
lature.

THAW TRIAL ADJOURNED.

New York, March 27.— The Thaw
trial adjourned until Monday at which
time a lunacy commission that was
appointed will make a report.

WANTED

Farms to be listed with us.

WHY?

BECAUSE
We advertise extensively.
That gives us a market.

BECAUSE
We have many inquiries.
That gives us customers.

BECAUSE
We go after business.
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phatic acid (which is the product of bones
digested in sulphuric acid) or of alum
(which is one-third sulphuric acid), un-
healthy substances adopted for other bak-
ing powders because of their cheapness.