

HOLD-UP, EARLY IN EVENING, IS ONE OF DARING

ROBBER ENTERS CAR AND MAKES
HIS GET-AWAY IN ONLY
FEW SECONDS

TWO PASSENGERS ARE IN CAR AT THE TIME OF THE ROBBERY

Number Involved Not Definitely
Known—Jack Payne Claims
He Saw Men Running
From Canemah

Until after midnight this morning, no definite trace of the robber or robbers who held up the Portland Railway, Light & Power car crew at Canemah had been found. Sheriff Wilson reported that work will be renewed with vigor this morning.

A masked bandit held up Conductors P. W. Kreyer and T. H. Copple and Motorman McMuran 7:15 o'clock Tuesday night at Canemah and escaped with \$45 taken from the pockets of the carmen. Sheriff Wilson and Chief of Police Shaw, who is working with the county officials, were unable up to a late hour to find a trace of the man or any partner he may have had with him.

The robbery is considered unusually daring. The lone masked bandit made several references to his partner outside but the officials are inclined to doubt the theory that he had a partner outside of the car and believe that his references to another man was a bluff.

The train crew was eating supper in the rear car of the train when a man walked in. His face was covered by a lavender handkerchief and in his hand was a gun, the members of the crew say, of large caliber. "Throw up your hands," commanded the masked man and the three carmen obeyed. It required but a few seconds to go through the pockets of the two conductors and leave with the money mostly in silver.

There were two passengers in the car entered by the robber. Miss Orena May and Miss Naimo Bowers of Canemah, and several were in the leading car, including Deputy County Clerk Emma Quinn and Mrs. C. C. Spencer. Mrs. Spencer walked past the rear car at the time the robber was at work.

Sheriff Wilson and Chief Shaw were on the case within ten minutes but were unable to find a trace of the man. Word was sent to Portland and detectives of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company were rushed to the city. They co-operated with Sheriff Wilson, the night police and Constable Frost. All the hotels and rooming houses in the city were visited by Constable Frost and Officer Cooke and Sheriff Wilson sent word not only to towns in all parts of the county but further down the valley and to Portland as well.

It is possible the robber who entered the car had a partner outside, as Jack Payne saw two men running north from Canemah station a few minutes after the robbery. One clump up a small embankment to the Southern Pacific track and the other entered Oregon City.

"Personally I am sure that these were the men," said Payne. "They appeared excited and were in a hurry. As they ran past me they were talking but not loud enough for me to hear." Payne describes the two men he saw as well dressed, while the fellow who entered the car wore a pair of overalls and no coat. The theory has been advanced that after the robbery, the overhauls were thrown into the river.

The Canemah station, located on the bank of the Willamette river about a mile above Oregon City, is the end of the Oregon City carline and is considered an ideal place for a robbery. It is some distance to the nearest house, while several roads leading from the place afford ample means of escape.

What Ails Organized Labor

In the Grays Harbor Washingtonian Franklin H. Bassett of the Hoquiam Carpenter's Union asks "What ails the state federation of labor?"

This protest is republished in the Walla Walla Monitor, official organ of the Trades and Labor council.

He says the state federation does not command public respect as it should, and intimates that there has been too much playing to the galleries.

He deprecates fantastic talk about a four-hour day until an eight-hour day has been made a reality.

He thinks hurling bravado at the governor and fancying legislatures are at the beck and call of any man wearing an union label, puts organized labor on the down grade.

He says public opinion favorable to labor unions is fast waning in Washington, and that is 75 per cent of the assets of organized labor.

He attributes this deplorable condition of labor unions to sentimental leadership trying to hatch a nest of promiscuous infertile eggs from the socialistic supply house.

He says the end of this attempt will be some empty shells and sulphuric smells and that is what ails the state federation of labor.

PLOT TO PILLAGE NEW YORK FOILED SAY THE POLICE

SLAUGHTER OF THE RICH WAS
PART OF EXTENSIVE
SCHEME, THEY SAY

REIGN OF ANARCHY LIKE THE FRENCH REVOLUTION INTENDED

Attempted Destruction of Cathedral is
First Move—Great Squad of
Police Take Bomb
Thrower in Action

NEW YORK, March 2.—Attempts to assassinate John D. Rockefeller, John D. Rockefeller Jr., Andrew Carnegie and other wealthy men and the inauguration of terrorizing rioting in New York city were frustrated today, according to the police department, with the arrests of two men who were charged with an attempt to blow up St. Patrick's Cathedral with a bomb.

The police declare that they have known of the plans for months. They say the wealthy men were to be killed with bombs and a reign of terror started that was designed to equal events of the French revolution.

Destruction with explosives of the biggest banks in New York was to be begun simultaneously with the appearance of gangs of men armed with rifles and revolvers in various parts of the city to kill and pillage, according to the police announcement.

The wrecking of the cathedral was to be the signal for the opening of the elaborate campaign of murder and looting. The next move, according to the police, was to place bombs in the homes of Andrew Carnegie, the Rockefellers and Cornelius Vanderbilt. So far had the plot progressed toward this end that manufacture of the bombs, the police say, had already been started.

With these and other capital as disposed of, the anarchists planned, according to the police, to invade the financial district and lay their bombs in the city's biggest banks. General looting was to follow.

For months a central office detective had worked in the inner circle of the anarchists, according to the police story. This detective, Frank Baldo, assisted in the manufacture of the bombs with which the attempt was made today to blow up the cathedral. The detective accompanied the bomb-thrower to the edifice and sat with him while he lighted the bomb and hurled at the altar.

Immediately the cathedral, in which 500 persons sat at worship, became alive with detectives, whose presence had been unsuspected by the bomb-thrower, Baldo, sitting beside him, placed him under arrest; detectives sitting in the pew behind, dashed into the aisle and stamped on the spitting fuse. The congregation hardly realized what had happened when it was all over, and there was no panic.

CHANGE OF VENUE IN LEVINGS CASE SIGNED

The suit of Detective L. L. Levings against Clackamas county for \$2,000 alleged to be due for investigation last summer into the Hill murder case will be tried in Washington county. An order for change of venue, signed by Circuit Judge Campbell, was filed in the clerk's office Tuesday.

The motion alleges that it would be impossible for Levings to secure a fair trial in this county as every jurymen would, being a resident of Clackamas county, be a defendant. Attorneys for the plaintiff claim that the action was taken not in an effort to delay action on the case.

Work of the Legislative Session Is Reviewed Record Is Called One Of Truest Economy

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 24.—The legislature appropriated and left standing in millage and taxes and continuing appropriations \$6,477,031 for the next two years as against \$7,735,921 in 1913, a net reduction of \$1,258,890. With laws repealed and consolidations effected the total state reductions will total two millions.

No new taxes were imposed, fees and licenses were reduced. No new boards or commissions were created, taxes were lowered, limited and made easier payable, no freak or radical labor laws were enacted, no referendums ordered to be taken, conditions for industries were made easier and new industries were promoted, is the record made.

This legislature enacted no laws penalizing corporations, attacking investments, or placing obstacles in the way of capital coming to Oregon.

Following remedial, beneficial and constructive laws in the interest of retrenchment and economy and to produce revenues were passed:

1. Law to repeal continuing appropriations cuts off many fixed charges.
2. Limiting tax levies of all taxing bodies in the state.
3. Reduce railroad commission appropriations from \$105,000 to \$50,000 and cut off 17 salaries.
4. Joint memorial to collect \$146,8472 taxes and return of O. & C. land grant to state.
5. Semi-annual tax law making taxes payable April 5 and November 5 without penalties.
6. Abolishing useless state census will save state and counties \$50,000.
7. Permitting insane patients to be paroled reduces fixed charges of state asylums.
8. Biennial appropriation \$10,000 for bobonic plague repealed.
9. Counties given share of game law fines.
10. Abolishing license fees for fishing in Pacific ocean or bays.
11. Requiring boards and departments to pay for printing out of their own funds.
12. Law to collect revenue from trading stamp devices.
13. Reduces cost of elections by abolishing one judge on each of 2000 election boards.
14. Permanent registration law with card index, saving counties and cities large sums.
15. Exempting state institutions from eight hour law.
16. \$200,000 of highway fund to furnish state road over Hiskvons.
17. Abolishing state immigration board and accountancy system.
18. Establishing flax industry for employment of idle convict labor.
19. Consolidation of state engineer and state highway engineer.
20. Requiring banks to pay two per cent on deposits of county funds.
21. Bill for farmer's state banks on co-operative plan.

GIRLS TAKE HONORS IN 2 SPELLING BEES

WILSONVILLE AND STAFFORD
SCHOOLS SCENE OF FIRST
MATCHES

The success of the spelling bee schedules conducted under the direction of Superintendent Calavan and Supervisors Vedder and McCormack is evident from the large crowds that have turned out at the first two bees held, at Wilsonville and at Stafford.

Miss Eleanor Say, of Corral Creek school and Miss Lucy Young of Pleasant Hill district were the winners in the Wilsonville bee in the first and second divisions respectively Monday. Wilsonville, Union, Hood View, Parrot Mountain, Pleasant Hill and Corral Creek were represented with teams.

One hundred and seventy-nine pages in the spelling book were covered at Stafford before Miss Bertha Moser could be announced the winner of the upper division Tuesday. The fourth and fifth grades, which composed the first division, covered 160 pages in the spelling book, and Miss Sarah Nussbaum was the winner. Both are of the Stafford school. Stafford, Mountain Road, Kruse, Advance, Hazella and Willamette participated.

AUTO VICTIM FORMER CANEMAH RESIDENT

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 25.—Mrs. M. F. Rule and Mrs. Miles Bell, of Portland, Ore., were killed today when the machine in which they were en route to the Kilauea volcano pitched from a mountain road and crashed into the canyon below. The native chauffeur was also killed in the fall.

Mrs. Rule was a passenger on the special excursion of the new Hill liner, Great Northern.

The trip to the volcano was not a part of the itinerary of the liner's passengers. When the Great Northern came to Hilo they hired a native chauffeur for the excursion.

Mrs. Miles Bell, one of the victims of the automobile accident at Hilo, T. H., was for many years a resident of Canemah and is well known in this part of the county. She was the wife of Captain Miles Bell, an early steamboat man on the upper Willamette, who died five years ago. Captain and Mrs. Bell moved to Portland about 30 years ago.

JOE HROVAT, 11, IS WOULD-BE TRAVELER

Joe Hrovat, aged 11 years, never did like Oregon City. The venturesome life in the broad bright world appealed much more than a dry existence at home, particularly when a steady attendance at school is a part of home life.

These were the sentiments of the youth when he was landed in the city jail Monday afternoon following his second attempt to see the world in the last four months.

Young Hrovat ran away from home last Saturday and was picked up in Portland late that night by the Portland police. Chief Shaw went to Portland Monday and returned with the child.

Mrs. Samuel Hrovat, the mother of the would-be globe-trotter, says she has no influence with her son. He will probably be turned over to the juvenile officials and sent to the state reform school.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 26.—State Highway Engineer Bowly has issued a call for bids for the construction of the section of the Columbia highway which includes Mitchell Point, seven miles west of Hood River, to be opened March 1.

HEAD OF RAILROAD URGES PROSPERITY FOR THE EMPLOYER

CLAMOR IS DECLARED THE
CAUSE OF HARD TIMES IN
UNITED STATES

MR. SPOULE SAYS "BOOSTING" ALONE HAS NO VALUE AT ALL

Period of Unemployment and Distress
He Adds, Will Continue Until
Epigrams Are Displaced
By Work.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The country is in the midst of a period of unemployment and distress, the like of which the nation never saw before, William Sproule, president of the Pacific system of the Southern Pacific company, declared here tonight in an address at the annual dinner of the traffic club.

He attributed this condition to what he said was a long continued clamor against all sorts of public business, and predicted its end only when returning prosperity for employers should spell prosperity for the employed.

Beginning by outlining difficulties faced by the transportation business, which he said, had "lost its momentum," he broadened to the state of business generally, and took vigorous exception to any suggestion that business conditions would be better if business men believed they would be better.

"The booster lifts nothing higher than the level of his own teeth," declared the railway executive. "The trumpet of prosperity beguiles only its own ears. Prosperity is real, or it does not exist. We do not have to look for it; it comes to us. It grows within our sight like a plant coming in flower. It comes to us when the employer resumes employment, and it will not come to us until the people generally, whether their capacity be large or small, whether they work with their muscles or their minds (and all work requires mind) discovers that their condition improves only as their employer is prosperous.

"It is the habit of the time to speak of unemployment as if it related only to those who work for a specific hourly or daily, weekly or monthly wage. It is thought of chiefly as relating to those engaged in minor places or in humbler duties of life.

"The facts run quite to the contrary. It is the employer who is first out of employment. As a natural sequence, he is followed by the employees."

MYSTERIOUS ATTACK IS MADE UPON GIRL

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 2.—Struggling in the clutch of a strange assailant near her home this morning, Miss Louise Schoepper rolled part way down the long flight of steps that lead to Tuatlin boulevard at Wood street, sustaining painful injuries. Apparently frightened by her screams, the man did not pursue his attack and fled.

Miss Schoepper, who is employed as auditor at Roberts Brothers' department store, had just left her home at 835 Tenth street about 8:15 o'clock and was descending the steps to the carline when the man stepped out from the brush on the hillside and said: "What's your hurry?" As he spoke, the man seized her by the throat.

Miss Schoepper screamed and struggled free, falling several steps down the steep incline.

100 TEACHERS MEET AT LOCAL INSTITUTE

F. L. GRIFFIN TALKS ON INDUS-
TRIAL WORK AT OAK
GROVE

Over one hundred teachers attended the teachers' local institute at Oak Grove Saturday. Every part of the county was represented.

F. L. Griffin, of the Oregon Agriculture college, explained the merits of industrial work in one of the principal talks of the afternoon. He said that industrial work is necessary to maintain proper balance in the schools. Mrs. M. L. Pulkerson, of Salem, talked on "Bob" or "The Story of a Real Boy." Bob is a real individual and Mrs. Pulkerson's talk dealt with his experience with him and letters that he had written to her.

Dean Butler, formerly principal of the Oak Grove school but now an attorney in Oregon City, talked on "Oriental Schools." J. E. Calvan acted as chairman of the meeting and Supervisors Vedder and McCormack were present.

PACINI JURY UNABLE TO AGREE, DISMISSED

JUDGE DAVIS SAYS ONE JUROR IS
GUILTY OF VIOLATING
OATH

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.—"Some one on this jury has violated his oath. It is an outrage on the taxpayers of Multnomah county that a jury should hold out in a simple case like this."

Circuit Judge Davis thus censured a jury which had been unable to agree after 24 hours in the trial of Dominico Pacini, charged with murder in the second degree for killing Mrs. Olimbia Palermi near Gray's Crossing on November 7. Pacini had admitted the killing and through an interpreter had told the jury how he shot Mrs. Palermi in the back and then slashed her with a razor.

Judge Davis discharged the jury. William Walker, the foreman, said they stood 11 to 1 for conviction. The lone man who stood out against the rest wanted to convict Pacini of manslaughter.

Evidence in Pacini's trial was all in Thursday and at 2:30 p. m. the jury retired. They were instructed to call the judge when they reached a verdict. At 11 o'clock this morning they were still out, and Judge Davis sent Sheriff Hogan to bring the 13 men in to court. He then gave them further instructions on the legal points involved, laying particular stress on the technical difference between manslaughter and murder.

EDNA MAY HAVER IS GIVEN TO HER AUNT

JUDGE ANDERSON RECEIVES LET-
TER FROM SUNNYSIDE,
WASH. WOMAN

While Mrs. Frank Casto and Mrs. Sylvia Roberts were fighting for the possession of Edna May Oliva Hafer, an orphan, Mrs. Van Avery, an aunt of the girl living at Sunnyside, Wash., has been awarded the girl by County Judge Anderson.

The petitions of both Mrs. Casto and Mrs. Roberts were argued before County Judge Anderson early in February. Mrs. Van Avery read an account of the case in a Portland paper and promptly wrote Judge Anderson. Mrs. Van Avery has a twin brother of Edna Hafer under her control at this time. It's not probable that the case will be contested further.

TITUS DRAWS 3 ECONOMIC FACTS FROM HIS STUDY

CONSUMER SUFFERS BECAUSE
FOOD PASSES THROUGH
TOO MANY HANDS

CO-OPERATION WILL NOT HURT INTELLIGENT RETAILER, HE SAYS

Merchant Should Take More Pains to
Protect Interests of Customers
and Should Buy Direct
If Possible

(By Edward K. Titus.)
What becomes of the retailer if schemes for co-operative buying and storage and public markets shall be worked out successfully?

There need be no fear for the retailer, provided he is progressive and adapts his business to the prices the consumer is able to pay. For one thing, the average retailer is far too apt to buy his goods of the wholesaler simply because it is "the easiest way."

Perhaps it takes him but five minutes to give his order to the agent of the wholesaler. Perhaps also by a little investigation among the farmers and farm bureaus he could find some one who would agree to let him have small quantities of food products every week at a price a little ahead of that which the farmer gets from the jobber, and which would permit him to sell to the retailer for a moderate price.

Retail business should be done in bigger units. The little grocer, who never gets business enough to buy in any quantity, is not an economical distributor. If he can advertise reasonably, he should be able to double his sales, which would permit him to buy in larger quantities, to reduce his overhead charges per unit of sale, and to sell at a lower price.

Distribution of food products is a big subject. Its various aspects have only been hinted at in the limited space available for this series of editorials. The ideas that stand out most clearly are these:

1. The American people are paying a needlessly high cost for food by letting these supplies pass through too many hands.
2. The farmer could make more money for himself by providing such storage facilities, usually by co-operative arrangements, as would enable him to sell to retailers and single consumers in small lots as needed.
3. The retailer should take more pains to protect the interest of his customers, and investigate all possible chances of buying goods direct from the producers. Then he should advertise freely to enlarge his business and reduce the relative cost of overhead charges.

DELEGATION TO GO TO MT. ANGEL MAR. 6

Oregon City will have a five delegation at Mt. Angel when the Marion county town formally welcomes the Willamette Valley Southern March 6.

Main Trunk Line Osmund, of Oregon City Live Wires, has named L. Adams, M. D. Latourette and A. A. Price, a committee to arrange for an active representation at the other end of the new road. Mt. Angel was well represented here Willamette Valley Southern day and the wires are determined that the Oregon City visitors will be as active.

CLUB EXHIBITIONS CANCELED UNDER OFFICIALS' THREAT

BOXING AND WRESTLING BOUTS
CALLED OFF ON THE DAY
OF EVENTS

MAYOR JONES AND SHERIFF WILSON TAKE FIRM STAND

City and County Authorities Prevent
Fast Card From Being Carried
Out—Promoters Threat
en Disregard Law

The peace and serenity of Oregon City was threatened for a time Friday when promoters interested in the Oregon City Athletic club's bouts threatened to stage the exhibitions in Willamette hall, despite the warning of the city authorities that the exhibitions could not be put on.

The matter was finally settled late in the afternoon when club members consented to call off their plans. The action of the club is taken to mean that the exhibitions are called off altogether. Out of town men who had signed to appear came to Oregon City Friday night ready for their turns.

Early in the week the town was thoroughly billed with placards announcing that two wrestling and two boxing exhibitions would be staged in Willamette hall Friday night. Mayor Jones and Chief of Police Shaw informed the club that the exhibitions could not be given and the club secured control of Canemah park for the night until Sheriff Wilson informed the promoters that he would not allow the boxing and wrestling bouts to be presented there.

It is understood that the next step by the clubmen was to go to the sheriff and ask him if he would object to the fight in Oregon City and it is understood that the answer was that if the city authorities did not stop it, he would take no step to do so.

Fred Hayes, one of the leaders in the club, was the authority for the statement Friday morning that the fights would be put on despite the stand of the city authorities. He said that the club was determined to force the issue with the city.

Both the city and the county authorities have taken a firm stand in the situation. Mayor Jones and Sheriff Wilson have determined that prize-fighting and wrestling bouts of the nature planned by the club will be barred.

Two boxing and two wrestling bouts were scheduled. Emmett Dunn, of this city, and Hugh Kellogg, of Molalla, and Willard Montgomery and Bill Sherry, of Portland, were to put on the boxing exhibitions, and Harry Lammers, of Beaver Creek, and Harry Stonicher and Jack Owens and Aggie Genilli the wrestling stunts.

HOSPITAL PROPERTY HERE CHANGES HANDS

Miss Mary Swales, of the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland; Miss Mary Thomas, of Boston, and Miss Georgia Marram, of the Good Samaritan hospital, have bought the Oregon City hospital and will take charge at once.

Miss S. R. Bailey and Miss E. V. Parks are the retiring owners of the hospital. They will go to Big Timber, Mont., where they are well acquainted.

Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

The Washington senate has passed a law requiring a certificate of public necessity and convenience from the Public Service commission before a competing franchise can be granted.

In Oregon the senate passed a similar law, but it was defeated in the lower house by four votes.

A practical illustration of the importance of such a law is furnished by the conditions in towns of eastern Oregon.

The Idaho-Oregon Co. has been supplying the cities on the Snake river in Oregon and land owners with light and power—3000 horsepower being used for irrigation.

To force the Idaho-Oregon Power Co. to sell out to them, the Boise Power Co. wants franchises in these eastern Oregon towns.

Mayor A. W. Trow, of Ontario, asks the Oregon Public Utility commission to withhold a franchise until the city and power users can make favorable contracts.

By the failure of the Oregon legislature to enact the law the commission has no power to either permit or forbid rival utility companies entering the field.

By section 61, laws of Oregon 1911, cities can prescribe terms on which a public utility can occupy the streets, subject to review as to reasonableness.

The Idaho-Oregon Light & Power company has had the handiwork of a receivership, the property was bid in by the mortgage bond holders and now it is to be subjected to a duplicate service in competition.

This is a practical illustration of the need of a certificate of convenience and necessity law.