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BANK ROBBER'S PAL TRIES TO ENTER JAIL

That Virgil Perrine had an accomplice in his robbery of the Milwaukie bank, and that this accomplice has already made an effort to get into communication with him, is the belief of Clackamas county officers following Monday's developments in the case of the daring young criminal. Monday afternoon there appeared at the jail a dapper young man, who without giving his name, asked permission to go through the jail and talk to the prisoners. Sheriff Mass was out at the time, and deputies refused to allow the visitor access to the cell rooms, but asked him why he wanted to go through the jail.

The young man replied that it was his custom, when visiting a city, to go through the jails and "see if the boys want a minister, some tobacco or some fruit." Deputies suggested that the stranger wait until the sheriff returned from a short trip out into the country, and the young visitor said he would, but a few minutes later he hurried from the court house and boarded a car for Portland. Deputies then recalled that he had entered the sheriff's office just after the arrival of an interurban car from Portland; and when they later reported the matter to Sheriff E. T. Mass, that official at once came to the conclusion that the stranger had come out from Portland for the express purpose of seeing young Perrine, and that after his request had been refused, he thought it best to leave town at the first opportunity, but his motives were questioned.

Perrine Monday weakened somewhat in the story that he has tried to stick to since his incarceration. When first arrested he protested that he had never been in trouble before. Sunday he admitted that he had been arrested in Portland. This morning, when questioned further by Sheriff Mass, he admitted that he had also been arrested in Tacoma, having been picked up in the Puget Sound city by Detectives Geary and Milne along with one William Clark, alias P. O. Whitey, a notorious "box man." Perrine said he was held in Tacoma under the name of Tom Reid, an alias he frequently used, that he was detained in the city prison there for eight days, was photographed and fingerprinted, and finally released on his promise to leave town at once.

From Tacoma, he said, he came to Portland with Clark, arriving in the Oregon metropolis about Christmas last year. He admitted going up the Columbia with Clark and members of his gang; but persisted that all the time he was with them he did not know they were safe-blowers. He said Clark always furnished the money for the gang, and that when the quartet was arrested later in Portland, it was Clark who hired an attorney to defend them.

While Perrine denies that he had an accomplice in the Milwaukie job, inquiry here has demonstrated that he came to Oregon City a week before the robbery with two other men, who registered at a local lodging house under the names of R. Thomas and R. Pierce. One of these men was stout of build, and may be, local officers think, the notorious "Chi Pat" who was a member of the Clark gang. The three left together. Perrine was also seen with two other men in Milwaukie some days before the robbery, and the morning of the bank holding was loafing about town with another man.

Perrine persistently denies that he was "reached" to the job by any other and more experienced criminal. He said Monday, however, that he had planned his get-away from the bank

but had been blocked in his scheme by the sudden pursuit.

"I was going to beat it over to the tracks," he said, "and hop a train for Portland. Then I was going to hop right off and go the other way. I wanted them to think I was going to Portland, so I could get clear to the south. But they got to me too quick."

Sheriff Mass believes that Perrine will "come through" with a true story of the affair and will implicate an accomplice, in a few days; as each time the boy is questioned he changes details of his story.

Perrine was arraigned before Justice Stevers Monday afternoon, but waived preliminary examination, and was bound over to the grand jury, which will not meet again until late in the summer. In the court room the youth had but little to say.

According to Portland detectives, who have become interested in the case since it has become known that Perrine was arrested last March in the metropolis on suspicion of having been implicated in a safe-blowing job in a Morrison street saloon, the youth is the junior member of the notorious "P. O. Whitey" gang of safe-blowers, three of the members of which are now in jail at The Dalles to answer to a safe-blowing job at Mosier. Perrine admits knowing the members of this outfit, but says he has never associated with them in any of their crimes, and only traveled with them on the road as hobo.

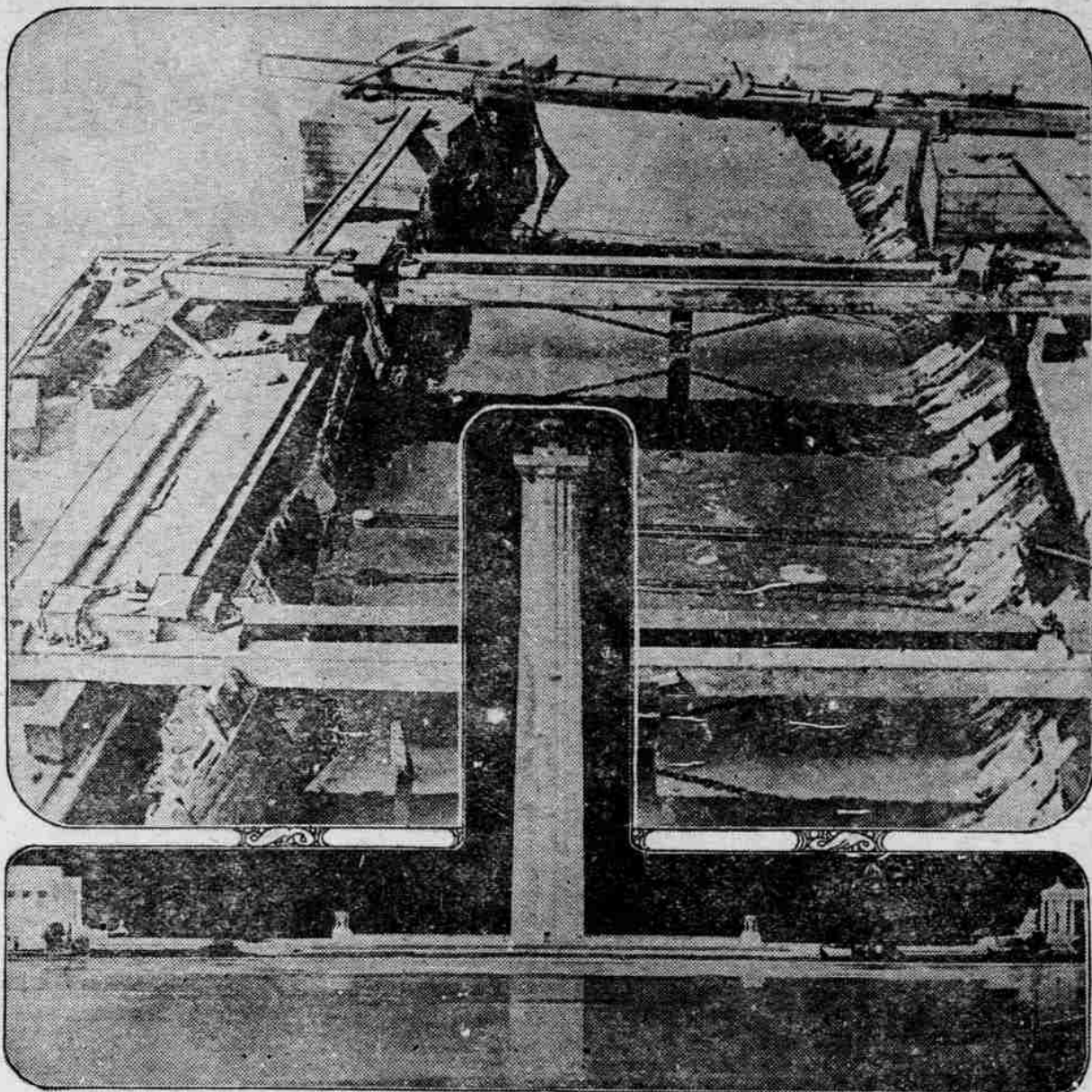
In the meantime the young robber is doing the best that he can to make friends with Sheriff Mass. Sunday night he asked to see that official, and said to him:

"Sheriff, if there is any reward in this, I want you to have it. I came out of the hole when I heard you call, and I surrendered to you because you were about the only one that wasn't poking a gun at me."

The reward he refers to is the usual one offered by the Bankers' Protective association for the apprehension of bank robbers. Sheriff Mass says that if such a reward is paid to him he will divide it with his deputies.

Members of the commission are now busy working out a schedule under this arrangement, and will probably complete the plan at the next meeting.

Cities of the Great Lakes Ready to Celebrate One Hundredth Anniversary of Perry's Victory.



National interest was aroused in the celebration this summer of the one hundredth anniversary of Perry's famous battle of Lake Erie. All the lake cities from Buffalo to Chicago are preparing for the celebration. It will last from July 4 till October, various cities celebrating at different times. A feature will be the unveiling of the Perry memorial monument at Put-In-Bay. Perry's old flagship has been raised from the bottom of the lake, and the water soaked hull will be on exhibition. The upper picture shows how the hull appeared when partly out of water. The other view is of the monument as it will appear when erected.

JULY 15 IS DATE OF PHONE HEARING

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—The complaint of William Beard, E. J. Toozie and W. A. Long of Oregon City against the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company on account of alleged discrimination among patrons of the company in that city has been set for hearing on Tuesday, July 15, before the railroad commission. The hearing will be held at the Oregon City courthouse at 9:30 a. m.

This complaint involves an increase of rates from \$1.25 per month to \$1.50 for subscribers on four-party lines, which has been charged all new subscribers since December 1, 1911, service to old subscribers being continued at the \$1.25 rate. The company asserts this increase is necessary and reasonable, and it appears that the general practice of the company has been, when rates are increased, to make the increase apply to new subscribers only, continuing old subscribers at former rates.

OMAHA, Neb., July 7.—A large attendance marked the opening here today of the annual convention of the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners.

HOURS FOR LABOR PUZZLE TO BOARD

Water commissioners of Oregon City met Monday night and deliberated for several hours over the problem presented to them by the new eight-hour law, and its application to the city filtration plant. At the close of the meeting it was thought that a way out of the difficulty had been found that will not prove overburdensome to the water consumers, and which probably will not require any advance in rates.

The scheme now tentatively entertained is to employ four shifts of men working six hours each, which in seven days of the week, constant labor, being a necessity, will give each man 42 hours work a week. A man engaged on other work, mostly outside, will be employed to relieve these men, each one for a certain time each day, and will thus put in a full day's work a week. While this will necessitate the hiring of one extra man at the filtration plant, and the use of a part of the other man's time at the plant, it will not conflict with any of the provisions of the law, and will give the steady help required at that plant.

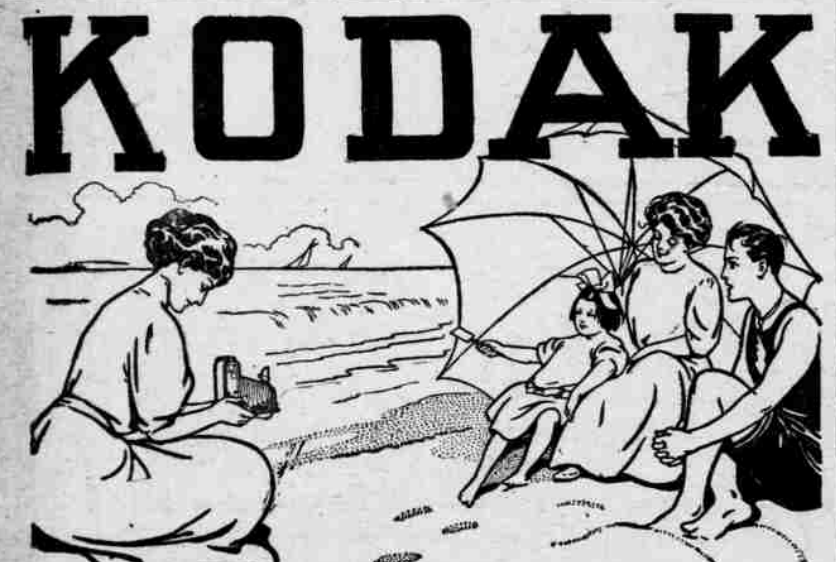
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CHAUTAUQUA GROUNDS PRESENT LIVELY SCENE

With people coming in by every train and car, and with over 200 tents already erected in Gladstone park, the outlook for the opening today of the Willamette Chautauqua is most auspicious. Bright skies give promise of continued clear weather, and the campers are looking forward to a most enjoyable and instructive time. Everything at the park is in readiness for the big assembly, and Secretary H. E. Cross, of the assembly, feels that there will be no disappointments of any kind.

Throughout Monday people were piling into the park and getting settled. Through the northern gate went a steady stream of teams and wagons carrying baggage and supplies; while heavier material and the baggage of out-of-town folk was put off the trains at Chautauqua station on the Southern Pacific, where all trains but the Shasta Limited now make a regular stop. The Portland Railway, Light & Power company has installed its service directly into the grounds, and a half-hourly schedule is maintained.

The opening day will be mainly Oregon City day, and practically everyone here is planning to go over to the formal opening in the afternoon. Throughout the morning the Ladies' Concert Band, of Portland, will provide musical accompaniment to the last touches of the campers in settling down for the fortnight of pleasure. In the afternoon the first game of the Chautauqua baseball series will be played by the Oregon City Commercial club White Sox, crossing bats with



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ENDEAVORERS FILL CALIFORNIA CITY

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 7.—Every train arriving in Los Angeles today brought delegations to the international Christian Endeavor convention, which is to be formally opened in this city Wednesday. It is expected that by tomorrow night twenty thousand visitors from all parts of the United States and Canada will be here to attend the proceedings of the convention.

White-capped members of the local reception committee are stationed at each of the railway stations to welcome the arrivals and escort them to their quarters. To accommodate this multitude the capacity of the hotels will be tested to the utmost, while every available boarding house has been called into requisition. Many well-known clergymen and other persons of prominence among the visitors are to be entertained in private homes during their stay in the city.

The general sessions of the convention are to be held in two mammoth tents which have been raised in Fiesta Park. The tents have a capacity of 20,000. A large number of praise and song meetings, conferences and celebrations have been arranged for in the various protestant churches, which will include addresses on a variety of Christian Endeavor topics.

Motor Boat Trial Races

NEW YORK, July 7.—The trial races for the selection of three American motor boats to compete for the Harmsworth international trophy began today over the Huntington Bay course and will continue over tomorrow and Wednesday. The three boats making the best showing in the elimination contests will be sent to England to take part in the trophy race which will be held off the Isle of Wight early in August.

CARVER SEEKING FRANCHISE NORTH

Application has been made to Commissioner W. H. Daly, of Portland, for a franchise for an interurban line from Oregon City to the metropolis. The rights have been asked by Stephen Carver, a heavy stockholder in the Clackamas Southern railway, and were sought in the name of that road, though Mr. Carver has recently incorporated the Portland & Oregon City railroad to operate a similar line.

In his application Mr. Carver's road seeks entrance to Portland on East Seventeenth street. It is understood that the road is to have a freight depot at East Third and East Madison streets, and is to have its passenger terminals Broadway (Seventh street) and Washington street, on the west side. Speaking for the company Mr. Carver said that, if the franchise were granted construction work would be started within 30 days, and the line completed within 18 months. Exceptionally liberal terms are promised the city.

ELKS REACH DESTINATION

Henry O'Malley, exalted ruler of Oregon City Lodge of Elks, and T. C. Daniels, of Medford, district deputy of the order, registered at the Congress hotel, Chicago, Sunday, according to advices received in this city. Both Elks were en route to Rochester, N. Y., to attend the grand lodge, and reached their destination Monday afternoon.

LINEN WORKS COMING HERE?

R. Crawford, of Belfast, Ireland, said to be one of the world's flax experts, visited Oregon City Monday to look over this territory in the interests of the linen industry. At the exhibition rooms of the Commercial club Mr. Crawford saw some samples of Clackamas county flax, and pronounced it the tallest he had ever seen. Length of stalk is a great item in flax, as it assures long fibres, which make for better weaving in the manufacture of linen.

Mr. Crawford would not comment himself as to the extent of his investigations, and would not say whether or not those in whose behalf he was making a tour of the coast country were planning to erect a linen mill. He did say, however, that he was at present in the employ of a syndicate, of which Sir Thomas Lipton, the tea magnate and prominent yacht sportsman, was heavily interested.

Aside from looking over the display in the Commercial club rooms, Mr. Crawford made a trip into the surrounding country, and also viewed a number of factory sites along the river.

Miss Maudie Cooke, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Vera Chalk, of Seattle, left Saturday for Salt Lake City, to attend the convention of the National Teachers' association. They will return by way of the Yellowstone National park, Butte, Spokane and Seattle, making their trip a well-earned vacation.

BARCLAY SCHOOL TO BE ENLARGED

SCHOOL DIRECTORS ORDER ADDITION BUILT THIS SUMMER TO CARE FOR PUPILS

GENERAL TAX IS ALSO REDUCED

Sinking Fund Levy Reduced Owing to Payment of \$6,000 Bond Issue—Report for Year Shows Progress

Following the recommendations of the board of directors as embodied in their report submitted Monday at a special meeting of the taxpayers of the Oregon City school district, there was levied a special tax of eight and three-tenths mills. Of this levy one and one-half mills will go toward the construction and equipment of the new addition to the Barclay building. This addition will be ready for the opening of the fall term, September 22, and the old gymnasium building will be abandoned for use as a school room, a use for which it was never adapted.

The special levy for a sinking fund to pay outstanding bonds at maturity was reduced Monday night to three-tenths of a mill. For the last four years this levy has been one mill, but the payment of a bond issue of \$6,000 this month brought about its reduction.

A further reduction was made in the special levy for general school purposes of one-half mill, the levy being six and one-half mills, which is one-half mill less than last year and one and one-half mills less than in 1912.

The report of the board of directors to the taxpayers follows: For a number of years we have been utilizing a portion of the gymnasium building on the Barclay school grounds for a school room. The gymnasium is not adapted to the purpose for which it has been used and the condition of the building is such that if we continue to use it for a school room, considerable money will have to be spent on it this year, but at best it will be nothing but a makeshift. The distribution of the school population is such that it is advisable to have more room at the Barclay building, rather than at the Eastham building, which now has two more rooms than has the Barclay. The board of directors has therefore determined to recommend to the taxpayers that they immediately authorize at this meeting the construction of an addition to the Barclay building, at the estimated cost of about \$4,000, and that they make a special tax levy of one and one-half mills to cover the cost of construction and equipment.

The board also recommends a special tax levy of six and one-half mills for general school purposes for the calendar year of 1914, based upon the following estimates of receipts and disbursements:

County school fund	\$12,331.00
State school fund	3,134.00
Tuition	1,500.00
Services of drawing teacher	132.00
District special tax, 6 1/2 mill levy on \$2,762,961	17,759.25
Total	\$34,856.25
Teachers' salaries	\$22,106.00
Clerk's salary	240.00
Janitors' salaries	1,800.00
Repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds	2,000.00
Supplies and fuel	3,000.00
Water rent and electric light and power	500.00
Apparatus and furniture	800.00
Printing and advertising	250.00
Interest on bonds	2,575.00
Interest on loans	200.00
Insurance	187.00
Miscellaneous expense	1,190.00
Total	\$34,768.00

LONDON, July 7.—The king and queen departed from London today for Knowsley, the Lancashire seat of the Earl of Derby, and will remain in Lancashire an entire week.

BULL RUN PLAN RAISES QUERY

PORTLAND COMMISSIONER FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO SALE OF WATER TO CITY

COUNCILMAN ALBRIGHT OPPOSES

Believes Oregon City Should Be in Control of Entire System, and Ought Not to Agree to Perpetual Rental

Commissioner Will Daly, who has charge of Portland's water department has received a communication from the Oregon City Commercial club in regard to furnishing Bull Run water to this municipality. That the plan appeals to Mr. Daly may be judged from his declaration a day or so ago that unless the Portland water department's revenue could be increased, it might be necessary to raise Portland rates to pay for water meters, which are to be installed throughout the metropolis. Mr. Daly is quoted as saying that possibly this revenue from furnishing water to Oregon City would be sufficient to care for the cost of meters, and so Portland taxpayers would be saved any advances in rates.

While this is very nice for Portland, and is also interesting to Oregon City, in showing a willingness on the part of the Portland commissioners to grant this city Bull Run water, it does not please everyone here. Among those who find objections to Bull Run as a source of supply for Oregon City is Councilman John Albright, who while he likes Bull Run water and believes in its purity, does not approve of it for Oregon City for financial reasons. Speaking of this he says:

"While there is no question in my mind that Bull Run water is pure, and while I realize that the citizens of Oregon City want the best water they can get, still I think this municipality would be foolish to enter into a contract with Portland to buy its water. If we are going to build a pipe-line eight miles long to tap the Bull Run line at Grays Crossing, why not go just a bit further, and build our own pipe-line to the south fork of the Clackamas, and there get water just

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