

The newest exploits of Convict Tracy stagger belief. Twice at bay and surrounded with armed men, he has as often shot his way out, leaving dead and dying behind. A dozen times, almost, cornered by overwhelming odds of determined deputies, he has in each instance completely bewildered them by suddenly appearing elsewhere in a new, unexpected and audacious coupe.

With four impressed men at his beck, in the gasoline launch, he made the spectacular journey on Puget Sound. He rode in a buggy into the very suburbs of Seattle, and put the climax to his audacity by entering a house for a compelled meal. After coolly breakfasting with the family and while his pursuers believed they had him surrounded at Bothell, he spent the day in comfort at the house on Madison Island reading the newspapers and preparing himself with clothing and provision for further flight.

Nothing so extraordinary in criminal life, has ever happened before. The pen of the dime novel writer must drop from his grasp in contemplation of how completely the real outdoes his ideal. With his talents diverted to catching criminals rather than escaping law what a useful citizen Tracy might be.

The unfortunate feature is, that Tracy's successes are likely to inspire others to copy him. As well as for other obvious reasons, it is on this account, highly important that he be caught. And, possibly, he may yet meet his man.

THE COUNTY COURT

The Resume of the Work Done at Last Week's Term.

The following is a resume of the business transacted for the term of the county court held by Judge Woodward and Commissioner Irwin and Knotts last week:

W H Millhollen was given until August 1st to complete the repairs to Mary's river bridge.

Petition asking rebate of taxes on bank stock assessed within the city of Corvallis to persons residing outside was granted.

Deed was ordered made and delivered to E E Wilson and J H Wilson to four lots in block 17, Wilkins addition, bought in at tax sale.

The petition of the Coast Land & Livestock Company for reduction of taxes was continued.

Publication of warrants issued seven years ago, and uncalled for was continued.

Petitions were presented asking aid on county roads, on the dollar-per-dollar plan, for the following amounts: District 8, Summit, \$140; district 9, Blodgett \$140; district 14, Bellefontaine \$214; district 7, Kings Valley, \$413.50; district 16, Monroe, \$193; district 18, Dusty, \$262.50. The petitions were granted.

WHERE IS CONVICT MERRILL

Did Tracy Really Kill Him—Corvallis People Talk About.

In Corvallis, people speculate much over the question of whether or not Tracy killed Merrill. The authority for it, is that Tracy himself says he did the deed. He told Scott of the gasoline launch party that he did. Scott says he knows where the body is secreted, and that he will go to it when assured that the Oregon authorities will pay him the \$1,500 reward.

And Tracy's Tacoma wife says the convict killed Merrill. She says when Tracy says a thing, it's true. She ought to know. Besides, it is observable that most everything the convict has told about himself in his wild flight has subsequently proven to be fact. That is what people in town urge in support of their belief that Merrill was killed by his companion. About half of them believe Tracy's story of it.

The other half don't. They say the story is a fraud, set afoot to help Merrill out of the country. They argue, that, no matter how savage Tracy might be, he is not cruel enough to wantonly slaughter his comrade in vicissitude. If they are not right, Tracy is, indeed a terror.

HIS HONOR'S SPEED

Can run a Little Himself—And Doesn't Mind an Occasional Trot.

Police Judge Greffoz became strenuous in the performance of his official duty Saturday morning. The glorious Fourth had left an aftermath of dead soldiers. One of them slept quietly in Woods Jackson's dooryard as his honor came down town. The sleeper was still tolerably drunk, and his honor arrested him and took him to jail. He left the man at the door, while he went after the jail key.

The man skipped. The judge sighted him in the distance and with all sails spread, gave chase. It was a pretty race. The fugitive flew, but his honor bent to his task, and moved like a machine. He worked beautifully.

Out in the vicinity of the spot where Bird Wells used to live his honor overhauled his man, and within a short time lodged him safely in the jail. The judge was a trifle thick in the wind after his strenuous performance, but he soon righted up, and he wouldn't mind trotting down the track now at any time just for diversion if there are those about who think they can skin him.

FOR COUNTY ROADS

County Will Help all Who Help Themselves—A New Order.

The supervisors and people of Benton county, who have for months past urged improvement of public highways and discussed plans with that end in view, have at last succeeded in getting matters in good shape. It is now possible for important improvements to be made on the roads this year. The new county court in a special session Monday, made an order offering to contribute from the general fund an amount equal to the amount the citizens of the various districts might donate, the money to be spent on the county roads under the direction of the road supervisors and the county court. The order on the subject is as follows:—

"In the matter of the improvement of county roads, it appearing that there is a feeling of uncertainty as to the attitude of the court on this important subject, and in order that the same may be dispelled, and the various road supervisors be able to proceed with the season's work with definite plans; and, recognizing that a wise and economical expenditure of the county funds in the improvement of our roads will do more to enhance the value of property of this county and lighten the burdens of the farmer than any other act this court could perform; and recognizing that there is not sufficient funds provided for any extensive road work this year, and if so the season is too far advanced to justify it; that it appears to this court that whenever the residents of any road district or part thereof become sufficiently interested to donate labor or money to be expended in the improvement of public highways, such a spirit of enterprise and public advancement is commendable and should be encouraged by substantial assistance from the general funds of the county.

"And it further appearing to the court that at the June term, several petitions for assistance on the dollar for dollar plan were withdrawn; that at the July term the court made its order upon the petitions on file, which order in the main is in accordance with the views of this court; but this court desiring to designate the manner of procedure and also to make an order that will apply to all alike,

"It is therefore ordered that on the presentation to the court of the petitions with the original signatures of subscribers of volunteer work with the respective amounts together with a certificate from the road supervisor that said work or money has been faithfully and fully expended upon the county roads in his said district as in said petition designated, that the court donate a like amount from the general fund of said county, to be expended upon said roads, under the direction of said supervisor, and this court."

Call for Warrants.

Notice is here by given that there is money in the treasury to pay all city warrants drawn on the general fund and indorsed prior to July 13 1902, interest will stop on same on this date.

Dated, Corvallis Oregon, July 8 1902. William McLagan, City Treasurer

It will pay you to investigate goods and prices at J H Harris. You can save money.

Music Lessons

Mordant Goodough will teach piano organ and harmony in Corvallis this summer. Terms One hour lesson, 65 cents One 45 minute lesson, 50 cents One 30 minute lesson, 35 cents

AT THEIR POSTS

New Officers Sworn in—Their Bonds and Bondsman—How it was Done.

The newly elected county officers assumed their duties Monday. Throughout the forenoon, there was an unusual bustle about the court house. Early in the morning Judge Woodward stepped into the clerk's office and administered the official oath to County Judge-elect Watters. The simple ceremony transferred the judgeship, which Judge Woodward has faithfully and honestly filled for the past four years, to his successor. In the oath the county judge swears to support the constitution of the United States of America and the constitution of the state of Oregon, and to faithfully perform the duties of his office.

The oaths taken by other officials are the same as that assumed by the county judge, save that in the wording the name of the offices are changed. The oaths were administered to all the other officials in the clerk's office, save Commissioner-elect Jolly, who was sworn in by Judge Watters at the opening of the session of the new court.

A session of the new court began at 10 o'clock and continued throughout the day. It was held for the approval of bonds and the transaction of other business.

Bonds of various officials were presented and approved as follows: Marshall Peter Burnett, \$10,000, United States Fidelity & Guarantee Company of Baltimore; Victor Pierce Moses, clerk, \$10,000, same surety as the sheriff; Thomas Jones, surveyor, \$5,000, same surety: T T Vincent, recorder, \$4,000, same surety; W A Buchanan, \$20,000; Hugh Herron, R L Buchanan, Paul Dodele, W J Wilbanks, E Skipton and J W Foster, sureties; S N Wilkins, coroner, \$3,000; H S Pernot and F P Sheasgreen, sureties.

Clerk Moses has appointed John F Irwin to the deputyship in his office.

HIS BOUNTY

Extended in Aid for Poor OAC Students—Senator R. O. Booth.

The Agricultural College and the work it does, receives a graceful recognition from Senator R O Booth of Lane county. It comes in a voluntary offer of the senator to extend financial aid to college young men to the amount of \$250 under certain conditions.

Last spring Dr Withycombe took one of his classes in the Agricultural course to the Ladd farm to inspect the fancy breeds of livestock there and to observe the methods of caring for them. The purpose of Dr Withycombe was to reinforce by the object lesson the instruction the students had received with reference to the points of fancy bred animals. It so happened that the members of the class could not go. Some of them, on account of lack of means were unable to bear the expense of the trip, even though the Southern Pacific railroad granted a one and one-third rate for the round trip.

And this is what Senator Booth did. He read a newspaper account of the trip. The account related the facts of why some of the boys were unable to make the trip. The other day he met Dr Withycombe and after being assured that the newspaper account was true, volunteered, without solicitation or suggestion, to render financial assistance to the boys on any similar trips hereafter. He said the college was doing a great work, and he authorized Dr Withycombe hereafter, in taking his boys out on future trips of the sort to draw on him for such funds as might be necessary, up to \$250. Senator Booth's unsolicited bounty, together with the graceful compliment to the institution's work that it implies, is highly appreciated at the college.

Special Notice

We are giving 15 per cent off on all our new men and boy's suits. Come in and buy for the 4th of July. S L KLINE.

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By Cair Austin, the White sewing machine agent, by notifying Stewart & Sox, Albany, Oregon. Charges reasonable and work guaranteed.

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For Sale

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HIS BRILLIANT CAREER

Corvallis Man Knows Him—Senator Joseph Bailey of Texas.

A Corvallis man who knows him personally, says Senator Joe Bailey of Texas, is not the giant in size some of the papers painted him since the senatorial incident. Bailey he says is about the same height and but a few pounds heavier than Beverage.

Bailey, he continues, is not a bully, but a Christian gentleman. He is the idol of the people of Texas. He was a poor boy, and has lifted himself to his present position as an esteemed national character by sheer worth. He was elected to congress from the sixth Texas district at 26. He defeated Judge Hare, an old and highly popular congressman for the nomination. When Bailey's name was first suggested as a congressional candidate, he was unknown and people made light of the idea. He went on the stump, and so great was his personal force and the power of his oratory that many persons followed him from town to town to hear him speak.

After serving two or three terms, he fell out with Cleveland and declined renomination. From all over the district, came a demand for his re-election. On the floor of the convention, he renewed his declination. In spite of it he was unanimously nominated. He finally yielded, and in his speech of acceptance, broke down in tears at the ovation and manifestation of popular respect paid him. No man in Texas, at any time, past or present, has ever stood as high in the popular mind as Joseph Bailey.

IN BUNCH GRASS

College Men Were There—They Held Institutes, and Talked About Stock.

Dr Withycombe has returned from the first incursion ever made by the college staff at farmers institutes in Southeastern Oregon. The scheme was a novelty to most people in that section. One gray-haired old gentleman inquired the price of admission when he arrived at the door.

Institutes were held at Prineville and there the court house was filled to overflowing. Also at Antelope, Bly, Paisley, Lakeview, Klamath Falls and elsewhere in that section. In all places, the travelers were welcomed, and all the institutes were of an interesting character.

On account of the absence of agricultural pursuits in the localities, the usual themes discussed were breeds and care of stock, poisonous plants and kindred matters. Stereoscopic views of college buildings and plant, and descriptions of the work, were everywhere given, and they universally attracted much attention. Dr Withycombe thinks Southeastern Oregon has an important future. Vast bodies of fine timber have been located over there, and it is his view that the country will be traversed by railroads within the next ten years.

For Sale

Thirty three head of Angora goats. Also a span of mules. Address "B" Corvallis.

REDUCED RATES

To the Seaside and Mountain Resorts.

Tickets are now on sale at all Southern Pacific and Corvallis and Eastern R R offices, through to Newport and Yaquina at reduced rates. Southern Pacific trains connect with the C & E at Albany and Corvallis. All tickets good for return until Oct 10, 1902.

On June 23, the C & E trains from De roit began leaving there at 8:30 a m, meeting the Bay train at Albany, at noon.

Passengers for Detroit, Breitenbush and other mountain resorts can leave Albany the same afternoon, reaching Detroit in the evening. Tickets are on sale from Albany to Detroit at \$8 and from Corvallis at \$3.25 good for return until October 10, with privilege to get on any train returning at any point east of Mills City.

The Southern Pacific Company have now on sale round trip tickets from all points on their lines in Oregon to either Newport or Yaquina with privilege to return via either east or west divisions in connection with the C & E. Three day Sunday excursion tickets good going Saturday and returning Monday are also on sale at very low rates from all S P and C & E points.

Full information can be obtained as to rates, time tables, etc by application to any S P or C & E agent.

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For Sale

Two well bred three year old Clydesdale colts, color bay, For further information inquire of DA Norton Blodgett Oregon

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Bears the Signature of Chat. H. Pletcher

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Our Mid-Summer reduction sale will begin Saturday, July 12th.

Order of Sale

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Liberal reductions on all other lines except Douglas and Walkover shoes, Monarch white shirts, Bull breeches and Overalls.

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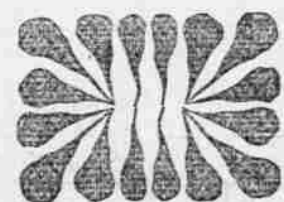
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