

IN LIMBO NOW

THE MAN WHO LOCATED PORTLANDERS ON TIMBERLESS LANDS ARRESTED

They Caught Him at Butte for Forging a Check, but They Want Him Worse in Portland—Has Been Busy in Many Swindling Operations,

Oscar C. Stone, the man who located thirty six Portlanders on timberless lands in the Five Rivers country, after showing them fine timber on the slopes of Prairie Mountain in jail in Butte, Montana, and is in a fair way to expire in prison his fraud upon the Portland people and others. It appears that six weeks or more ago Dr. C. W. Cornelius, who was one of the men who made the skyrocket trip into Alsea, swore out a warrant for Stone's arrest, and that ever since the detectives of the Northwest have been searching for him, but he managed to elude detection for some time. It was not indeed, until Stone passed a fraudulent check for \$250 on a Butte hotel keeper, and was arrested for that offense that his identity became known. The facts of the arrest, together with some of the notorious timber locator's past history is told in the following from Thursday's Oregonian:

"Butte, Mont.—Oscar C. Stone, wanted in this city on the alleged charge of passing worthless checks was captured by Deputy Sheriff Kearns at Idaho Falls yesterday. The officer reached Butte today with the prisoner, who was willing to return to Montana without a requisition. It is alleged Stone drew two worthless checks, one for \$120 and another for \$78.25. Stone posed as a lawyer in this city. He is wanted at Tacoma and Portland."

"Oscar C. Stone, who signed himself as the president of the 'Oregon & Washington Script Land Company' with offices in the Worcester building, and who is charged with victimizing a number of prominent citizens of Portland to the extent of \$3600, was arrested at Butte, Montana, yesterday and has been held to answer to a charge of forgery. It is alleged that he passed a forged check on a hotel keeper of Butte, and the sum of \$250 is needed to settle his difficulties."

"The first news of Stone's arrest was received by Chief of Police McLaughlin, who had been anxiously seeking him for the past six weeks, yesterday afternoon. It came in the form of a telegram from Chief of Detectives J. J. Murphy. 'We have Oscar C. Stone here for forgery,' the dispatch read. 'A hotel man here whom he has been trying to get his money back. Have wired the Chief of Police of Tacoma to know if he wanted him. Do you?'"

"We want him, and want him bad," was the tenor of the response of the Portland chief of police.

"The charge upon which Stone is wanted in Portland is for obtaining money under false pretenses from Dr. C. W. Cornelius, ex-county coroner. At the instance of Dr. Cornelius a warrant was issued for the arrest of Stone about six weeks ago, and was placed in the hands of Detective Henry Ford for service. Meantime Stone had flown, but Ford traced him as far as Seattle. There he learned that Stone had cashed a check at the Scandinavian bank, drawn upon the Trust Company of Portland, and purporting to be signed by Lincoln J. Davis of Tacoma, who was recently elected to the Washington legislature. Due to the prominence of Davis, Stone had no trouble in cashing the check.

After leaving Seattle, Stone carefully concealed all his movements, and if Ford had not taken the precaution to send out photographs of him to the police authorities of every city in the Northwest, his identity would not have been discovered at Butte. He will probably remain in jail in the Montana town unless he can secure enough money to pay the amount he raised by passing the forged check. But if he should pay the sum, he will be brought back to Portland to answer more serious charges. Chief McLaughlin said last night that he did not think that the Montana officers would surrender him if the check given to the hotel man was not made good. That might look like compromising a felony but Butte has different ways from Portland.

Stone cut a pretty wide swath in Portland, and about \$3600 worth

of his former friends would like to see him in the Municipal Court. Nearly all of these were taken in by him on timber-land locations. He agreed to locate them on fine sections, and he taxed them at the rate of \$100 per capita. In the list of victims were Dr. Cornelius, ex-City Attorney Joel M. Long, State Senator Alex Sweek, Dr. H. R. Littlefield, Dr. Emma Linden, Mrs. James Misener and Attorney H. H. Emmons. There were also about 25 others, each of whom paid the \$100 location fee, and each of whom was not located.

Another creditor of Mr Stone was a young business man at Salt Lake City. Stone tried to get a check cashed in the Mormon capital, but he could furnish no means of identification. He met the young Utahian and told him he was dealing in timber in Oregon. Thereupon the guileless youth advanced him \$400, and did not even take the worthless check as security. In return Stone promised to locate him on a good timber claim but the deal ended with the echo of the promise.

Stone made a good appearance as a professional man. To get into the center of the community, he moved from the Worcester to the Failing building, and it is said that he paid no rent in the latter place. His office was furnished with the library of a lawyer, but nearly all the books had been borrowed from attorneys, and they served only as a decoration. Lawyers often called for their implements of warfare, and Stone just as often excused his neglect to return the borrowed books.

New York, Dec. 26.—Consternation was caused in the red sitting-room of the Waldorf-Astoria Christmas afternoon by the actions of a powerfully built man, evidently a foreigner, who attacked a man and woman among the guests before he was finally subdued, arrested and removed to a hospital for examination as to his sanity. On entering the sitting-room the stranger grabbed a passing guest by the arm, shook his disengaged fist in his face and said, rapidly and with decided accent:

"You're rich, and you've had a good Christmas dinner. The encroachments of organized capital on the poor of the country have driven me from pillar to post until I cannot get work. What right have you to eat when I am starving?"

Attendants rescued the guest, and the excited man then sprang to a young woman. He snatched a fur boa from her neck and began to berate her in a similar language. She screamed, but at that moment the detectives rushed in and began a struggle to subdue him. No papers or anything that would identify the man were found in his pockets. All the way to the hospital he raved about the inequalities brought about by wealth.

The prisoner is said to be the same man who, during the Cornelius Vanderbilt illness has frequented the neighborhood of Mr Vanderbilt's home and has several times attempted to obtain an interview with Mrs. Vanderbilt. He also wrote to Mrs. Vanderbilt complaining that her servants would not admit him to the house,

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MORE SUBMARINE BOATS.

Talk of the United States Navy Building Torpedo Boats of the Holland Type.

Shortly the board of naval construction will take up for consideration the subject of increasing the number of submarine torpedo boats. There is likely to be a division of opinion on the matter. It is said that Rear Admiral O'Neil, chief of ordnance, and Chief Constructor Hichborn are in favor of building more boats of that type, while Rear Admiral Melville, engineer in chief, and Chief of the Equipment Bureau Bradford are not disposed to favor the idea. Secretary Long will probably be guided largely by the advice of his experts in making recommendations to congress on the subject.

There are some flattering reports relating to the Holland, which is beginning to see practical service. The boat, naval officers say, has contributed a new and menacing element to naval operations and has presented new problems which must be met. Capt. Folger, commanding the Kearsarge, already anticipated this when he suggested a provision of light torpedo boats to guard against the invasion by submarine boats.

It has evidently become necessary, say the naval strategists, to add small picket boats to the cargo of a big ship in order to offset the effect of the submarine boat. The seven boats of the latter type now under contract will provide a liberal strength in this respect, but some of the naval officers believe we should continue the work. Others believe we should await the result of the trials of the boats now under contract and take advantage of any improvements which may be suggested.

THE SENATORSHIP

CLAIM MADE THAT FULTON AND GEER WILL LEAD IN THE RACE.

Prospect for Fight to be Long-Drawn-out—Astoria Paper Lays it on for Fulton—Chamberlain Beset by Job-Hunters—Other News.

Salem, Dec. 26.—As the time for the convening of the legislature and the inauguration of Governor-elect George E. Chamberlain approaches, says the Salem Statesman, the small army of job-seekers, for all the positions from a clerkship on a committee to the superintendency of the penitentiary, are becoming more restless and are pulling all of the political strings within their reach in order to bring more influence to bear in their individual behalf.

In conversing with one of the Marion county delegates to the legislature yesterday, the talk drifted from one subject to another until the United States senatorship question came up, and when asked for an expression upon the matter, he remarked:

"To tell the truth, there is not very much being said upon this matter of late. There are a host of self-styled eligibles to the high office and each one is speculating upon his chances with a remarkable degree of confidence. The most prominent of the candidates, such as Fulton, Geer, Scott and others, are not saying much, except that each one expresses great confidence in his election, but they are all working tooth and toenail in spite of their absolute certainty."

"What is my opinion? Well, I am not in a position to make an intelligent forecast of the situation, but, as to my opinion, of course every one has formed some kind of an opinion, as nearly as I can see at this time, there is no knowing what will develop later, the recognized leaders in the fight are Governor Geer and Senator Fulton, and it appears that the heaviest part of the conflict rests between these two, and, if my judgment counts for anything, the chances are more favorable to the former, who claims that he is already the chosen candidate of the people, and it only remains for the legislature to endorse their choice, while the latter claims to have the support of nearly a majority of the legislators already pledged."

"It promises to be a bitter contest, however, and if it hangs on too long, as it did last session, 'a dark horse' is liable to be sprung at the last moment and carry off the spoils."

Several other names were mentioned as being prominent factors in the senatorial fight, among whom were Jonathan Bourne, Jr., who is said to have a strong support and is coming to Salem to carry on his campaign in person; W. T. Hume is also in the race; Hon. George W. McBride, has aspirations for reelection; and it is rumored that Eastern Oregon has a candidate for the honors in the person of Congressman Malcolm Moody.

Astoria, Dec. 26.—The Astorian is making a strong fight for Chas. Fulton for United States senator to succeed Simon. It says:

"Every member of the legislature of Oregon ought to vote for Charles W. Fulton for United States senator. Mr. Fulton is not only the logical candidate, practically, but he is also the most worthy one. He stands for the highest type of Oregon republicanism—for politics that are equally fair to the bunchgrass country, to the wool districts, to the grain growing section and to that portion of the state which produces the fish and the timber. He is, in every sense of the word, an Oregonian, and in the senate of the United States will act conscientiously in every matter pertaining to the welfare of the state and the nation. So far as republicans are concerned they owe it to Mr. Fulton to send him to Washington. It is a political obligation that is mandatory upon them. He has often been offered other honors at the hands of the party for which he has fought so long, and ere this could have held the office of governor, or have been elected to congress. To those who have urged him to accept those offices he has firmly replied that he was an aspirant only to the office of United States senator. For years he has worked for other candidates of the senate, and placed John H. Mitchell in his present position. He has supported every move of the party, lending his influence to republican candidates at all times. He has

worked himself into line for the United States senate, where he can be depended upon to properly safeguard the interests of the people. He is the one candidate against whom no reasonable objection can be raised. Loyal citizen, loyal republican and loyal friend, he is richly entitled to the position of honor that he openly and manfully seeks.

STILL QUAKING.

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for several hours before it was cut down.

Great excitement prevails here among both whites and negroes as a result of the lynching of Godley. Belligerent crowds have been upon the streets all day, and have made ugly threats. Numerous negroes have been locked up for carrying concealed weapons. It is expected there will be further trouble between the races.

Godley's brother was burned at the stake in Pierce City, Mo., nearly two years ago, at the time of the anti-negro troubles there, following an assault on a young woman. Mont Godley was driven from Pierce City then.

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 26.—There is a strong probability existing that, in the lynching of Montgomery Godley here yesterday morning for killing Policeman Hinkle, the wrong man was hanged, and that, while Mont Godley was implicated in the trouble, he did not fire the fatal shot. It is believed that Joe Godley fired the shot from the officers revolver, and then made his escape, leaving his brother to suffer at the hands of the mob.

The mother of the boy called upon a firm of physicians in this city today and requested them to treat her son Joe for a gunshot wound in the neck. When asked to tell where he was she, refused.

The officer's revolver has not yet been found and it is thought by the officers that the man who killed Hinkle still has it in his possession.

If Joe Godley is captured, the officers will have a hard task to protect him, as the people insist that the same treatment will be given him as his brother received.

Cow for Sale.

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Executor's Sale of Real Property

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the provisions of the will of John Wiles, deceased directing the undersigned executors of said will to sell at private sale the real estate hereinafter described said will having been executed by said John Wiles on the 23rd day of April 1900, and filed and admitted to probate in the County Court of Benton County in the State of Oregon, on the 9th day of September 1902, and recorded on pages 22-23 and 24 of Book D of records of wills of said county, the said executors will proceed to sell at private sale from and after

MONDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF FEBRUARY A. D. 1903.

for cash in hand at time of said sale the real property belonging to said estate, described as follows: Notation No 4148 surveyed and designated as Lots three, four, five and six, the north half of the south west quarter and the south west quarter of the southwest quarter of section six in township ten south, of range four west, and lots one, two and three and the north east quarter of the southeast quarter of section one, in township ten south of range five west in the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Oregon, containing 327.73 acres of land in Polk County, Oregon, said land being incorrectly described in the will of said deceased as follows: Notation beginning 29.00 chains S. and 8.23 chains E. from the quarter section corner on the S. side of S. 28 in T. 3 S. R. 7, Williams et al Meridian, thence E. 50.00 chains, thence S. 40.00 chains, thence W. 30.00 chains, thence N. 40.00 chains to the place of beginning containing three hundred and twenty acres of land; said executors will also proceed to sell as aforesaid private sale the following real estate described in said will as follows: That certain tract of land which is situated on the east side of the county road leading from Corvallis to Mouthouth, in a northerly direction through the George W. Dewesse land claim, and west of the land now owned by Robert Norton and R. E. Gibson, and south of Soap Creek lying in Benton and Polk Counties in the State of Oregon, said lands being more particularly and accurately described as follows: Beginning at the South west corner of claim sixty four chains running East one hundred and thirty rods, thence North one hundred and forty rods; thence west one hundred and three rods; thence South one hundred and forty rods to the place of beginning lying and being in Section six Township ten South Range four. West Williams et al Meridian, beginning at a point on the N. 1/2 of Section 19 and 30 in Township 14 south Range 5 W, being claim No 51, notation No 2421, containing 21.70 acres in Benton County, State of Oregon; also the following described real estate, beginning at the south east corner of the G. W. Dewesse Donation land claim and the S. W. Corner of C. Culp claim said point of beginning being in Benton County, Oregon, running thence West nineteen chains and seventy one links, thence North fifty rods, thence East twenty four chains, thence South fifty chains to the place of beginning containing 110.75-100 acres of land situated in Benton and Polk Counties in the State of Oregon, said sales of said lands to take place at the office of Walter T. Wiles, said executor, in Corvallis, Oregon, and at the farm of Edward F. Wiles, executor, in Benton County, Oregon, and will be made subject to the confirmation thereof by said County Court of Benton County Oregon. Dated this twenty-seventh day of December A. D. 1902.

WALTER T. WILES, Executor. EDWARD F. WILES, Executor.

Administrator's Sale of Real Property.

In the matter of the estate of T. P. Waggoner, deceased, Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to an order of sale made by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County, on the 9th day of December, 1902 in the above entitled matter, the undersigned as administrator of the said estate of T. P. Waggoner, deceased, will from and after the 5th day of January, 1903 proceed to sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all of the following described real property: To-wit: The homestead of Jesse Hawley situated in Sections 19 and 30 in Township 14 south Range 5 W, being claim No 51, notation No 2421, containing 21.70 acres in Benton County, State of Oregon.

Said sale is to be made for the purpose of paying claims against said estate and charges and expenses of administration. Dated this December 6, 1902.

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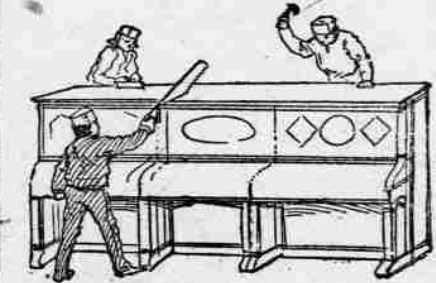
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