

BANDITS' BOLD DEED

Two Highwaymen Hold Up
Pleasure Party

ON THE WHITE HOUSE ROAD

Joseph Williams, His Sister, and Miss Maurer Have an Exciting Adventure—Net Gains to Robbers Small.

Highwaymen have reappeared in the suburbs of Portland. Last week a robber tried to hold up Gottlieb Zuercher, a millman, and shot him in the leg. Monday night two bandits stopped a driving party of three on the White House road and robbed them.

A hold-up occurred Monday night about 9:30 o'clock, on the White House road, near the Silverview cemetery. Joe Williams was driving with his sister, Miss Maggie Williams, and Miss Bessie Maurer, when they were stopped by two masked men and relieved of their watch, their ring and their purse, which contained only a little change. The young ladies were courteously treated and escaped without loss.

The party was just passing through a dark gulch near the cemetery, when a masked man stepped in front of the team and commanded them: "Halt!" He exhibited a very large, or at least a very large looking, revolver, by way of persuasion. Mr. Williams considered this quite convincing argument, and replied cheerily, although he confessed not very boldly:

"All right, old man, you are welcome to all I've got."

At this time a second man, also masked, stepped up and, exhibiting a very impressive certificate of authority much like the one held by the first man, commanded them to "Get out of that buggy."

The young women say that they do not remember ever having been quite so badly scared. Miss Maurer, when asked if she didn't scream, replied: "No, I was afraid to. I was afraid he might hit me with his revolver."

The highwaymen ordered Williams to hold up his hands and turn his back to them, remarking: "We don't want to take no chances on you're rememberin' us." Their methods of persuasion was irresistible, and Williams obediently complied. After they had carefully searched him and taken what they wanted, they turned to the young ladies and demanded: "Now, you girls got anything?"

The ladies had each a small purse, but with much presence of mind, had slipped them off their fingers and put them in their mouths. Miss Maurer is not in the habit of prevaricating, but under the circumstances, she felt she did no great wrong in answering that they had nothing of value. With a "Jesse James" gallantry, the bandits took the ladies at their word and told the party they could now get back into their buggy, which they were glad to do. They thought they had had all the ride they cared for in one evening, and started to turn back toward home, but the robbers suggested that it was "nice driving ahead." The excursionists quite agreed with their view of the matter, and went ahead about half a mile before they turned back. They say they were all very much frightened, and drove home in great haste and informed the police. Efforts are being made to locate the robbers.

BACK TO ALBINA SYSTEM

Irvington Given a Change in Water System.

At the meeting of the water committee yesterday, a contract for supplying cast-iron water pipes was awarded to the Oregon Iron & Steel Company, home, but from citizens of Irvington to have their water supply furnished from the Albina system was granted. The construction committee was instructed to lay a 14-inch main on East First street, between Corbett street and Messers, Dolph, Teal, Baffety, Lewis, Haseltine, Rowe and Bates were present.

In answer to advertisement, four proposals for furnishing cast-iron pipes were submitted as follows:

Oregon Iron & Steel Company, pipes of all sizes, \$31 per ton; specials, 2 1/2 cents per pound.

W. D. Hefner & Co., of Seattle—Pipes above 4 inches, \$17 per ton; 4-inch pipe, \$38 per ton; specials, 3 cents.

Bowles & Straw, agents, Portland—Pipes, 2 1/2 cents per pound; specials, 3 cents per pound.

H. A. Hoppner & Co., agents, Portland—Pipes over 4 inches, \$33.50 per ton; 4-inch pipe, \$35.50 per ton.

After some discussion, it was decided that the bid of the Oregon Iron & Steel Company was the most advantageous one, as the amount of specials used was trifling, and this company agreed to deliver 50 tons of pipe per week, beginning in three weeks; while the other bidders made any statement as to when the pipe would be delivered, and great delay in getting pipe from the East, on account of the strikes and labor troubles there. A motion to award the contract to the Oregon Iron & Steel Company was carried unanimously.

A communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners, urging the laying of a 14-inch main from East Twelfth down East Main to East First, and north on East First to East Oak, was presented, backed by recommendations from the City Engineer and Fire Chief Campbell. The committee some time ago provided for the laying of this main at a cost of \$16,000, as it is needed for protection from fire of a large number of warehouses in that district, but they stipulated that some street intersections should be filled for the safety and convenience of engines going to a fire there. It had been found that the engine could get along for the present without the fill, but the committee was urged to lay the pipe without waiting on the fills. On motion of Mr. Rowe, the construction committee was instructed to proceed with the laying of the main.

The matter of damage to water pipes by electrolysis, which has been under consideration by the committee for a year or more, was brought up and a report on the matter was submitted by George J. Walker, City Electrician. A printed report of the Water Commission of St. Paul, and some correspondence on the same subject were presented, from which it appears that the city of St. Paul is preparing to bring suit against electric railway companies on account of alleged damage to water mains. The whole matter was referred to the City Electrician.

A communication was received from the Port of Portland Commissioners, asking the committee to place their submerged mains across the river deeper under the bottom, so as to clear for a 35-foot channel being dredged to human & Paulson's mills. Referred to the operating committee.

Petitions for mains on Skidmore street and on the streets of Williams Avenue addition were referred to the Engineer.

A delegation of citizens of Irvington ap-

peared before the committee to complain about the inadequate supply of water in that district, since it had been detached from the Albina system, and attached to the Bull Run system. The delegation stated that there was no water on the second stories of buildings, and the pressure was very light and water scarce in the lower stories. All they wanted was to be again connected with the Albina system.

A petition received by the committee some time ago, asking that the people of Irvington be furnished with Bull Run water, and signed by some of the delegates present, was read for their benefit; also a report from the committee's engineer, stating that, if the request were granted, the pressure in Irvington would be greatly increased and the supply would likely be scarce at times. Some of the delegation said they had never heard of such a petition. C. H. Prescott, Judge Muny, Chief of Police McLaughlin and F. C. Barnes joined in saying that all they wanted was to be put back in connection with the Albina system. Mr. Barnes stated that for some time, when any of his family wanted a bath, the water had to be packed upstairs.

The committee, on motion of Mr. Rowe, ordered the second change to be made, and Irvington is happy. Some of these days, when a large main is laid into that region from the High Service reservoir, the people there can have Bull Run water, but for the present Albina water suits them.

WEINHARD CONTRACT LET

\$45,000 Building to Go Up at Fourth and Alder.

Contracts were let yesterday for Henry Weinhard's five-story brick structure on the southeast corner of Fourth and Alder streets. The cost will be about \$45,000. A building permit was issued yesterday by the City Engineer. The work of tearing down the historic frame structure now on the premises will begin at once.

The plans of Mr. Weinhard call for a first-class, modern structure, made of pressed brick with terra cotta trimmings. It will have 50 feet frontage on Fourth street and 100 feet on Alder. The corner of the ground floor will be fitted up and furnished the elaborate style for a saloon. On Alder street the remaining ground floor space will be taken up by two stores. The Blumauer-Frank Drug Company will occupy 20 feet of the first floor on Fourth street, and the second, third, fourth, and fifth stories, and nearly all the basement.

Construction will be rushed as fast as possible. The contractors have agreed to complete their work by September, and are liable to a penalty for failure to carry out their agreement.

Closett & Devers yesterday bought from the Dekum estate the northwest corner of Front and Ankeny streets. The property has 100 feet frontage on Ankeny and 75 feet on Front. The corner is occupied by a three-story brick structure in which are the coffee and spice mills of Closett & Devers. The price of the sale was \$18,000, which is regarded as very cheap. The property was transferred through Rountree & Diamond.

Great activity prevails in building circles and in the real estate market. Contractors have been very busy in the past few days making time while the sun shines. One of them said yesterday that although they have had all they wanted to do in the past two or three years they have made little or no money. The reason is the general rise in the price of building materials. In hard times they made money because they contracted in a falling market.

SOUVENIRS FOR T. P. A.

Lewis and Clark Board Asked to Supply Them—Road to Coos Bay.

The Lewis and Clark committee of the Board of Trade yesterday called upon Secretary Reed, of the Lewis and Clark Board. The committee urged the advisability of supplying some Lewis and Clark souvenirs to the members of the Travelers' Protective Association, which will meet here in June. Such a means of advertising the fair, it is believed, would be cheap and effective.

J. D. Coke, Mayor of Marshfield, believes that Coos Bay should have railroad connections with Portland. But he thinks that Portland should enlist outside capital to build the road.

Mr. Coke wrote in response to a letter from the Board of Trade, which asked what Coos Bay would offer as an inducement to a railroad. The letter, in part is as follows:

In 1890 R. A. Graham commenced construction of a road eastward from Coos Bay, via Roseburg. He finished the road from Marshfield to Myrtle Point, 30 miles, and left about 60 miles to be completed. To this enterprise the people of the East and Douglas County subscribed liberally. A large part of these subsidies were collected, but the remainder, unearned on account of delay, was unpaid. It would probably be more difficult to get subsidies now than then.

It is hard to understand why Portland has taken so little interest in a section of its own state which promises so much. The only thing Portland has done for this locality has been an occasional write-up in some of the Portland papers. It is not clear to me that we are not as well off in looking to California capital. However, the people here would, I am sure, lend all reasonable assistance toward any enterprise which may be undertaken by Portland capital.

The Board of Trade now has about 200 members, and the number is growing steadily.

Secretary Moore, of the Columbia River Board, is considering a plan to send out a man to merge interior towns into the organization.

Undecided?

Perhaps a look at the GORDON Hat styles for Spring will help you.

They're on the heads of well dressed men.

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"Nazareth" Waists

For Children

Two to 14 years. A knitted underwaist which can be worn next to the skin during warm weather—strongly taped, buttons can't come off—the most satisfactory under-waist for children on the market; regular or mercerized finish, 25c and 50c (2d floor).



Ping

Pong

Or table tennis. The most popular game of years—See practical demonstration in Fifth-Street window, or try it on the 3d floor.



Third Floor—\$2 to \$10—Third Floor

Meier & Frank Co.

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McCall Patterns

Are correct in style and size—full seam allowance—latest fashions. We are sole Portland agents. They're 10c and 15c—none higher.

Lawn Mowers

The famous "Philadelphia" make—easy running, best steel blades, all sizes, every one guaranteed, \$2.25 to \$10.00 each. (Basement.)

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Important Shoe Sale



A well-known New England jobber had a great lot of ladies' high-class shoes he was anxious to dispose of. His managers bought too liberally according to amount of goods remaining on the floor after his season was over with. He was willing to sacrifice part of the cost to clean them up. We bought, and it's particularly good fortune that the shoe store should have this news of footwear right at the beginning of the season. In addition to this stock, we offer some extraordinary values in high-grade footwear for men, boys and infants, also a special lot of Johnson's well-known shoes for women. Selling of the remainder of the week shouldn't leave many of these shoes with us.

Ladies' Shoes

100 pairs of ladies' tan lace shoes, heavy or light sole, \$2.50 and \$3.00 values, all sizes, best toe, pair \$1.95

Black and tan bicycle boots in all sizes—the \$2.50 and \$3.00 values, at, pair \$2.15

A great lot of J. & T. Cousins' famous shoes for women, patent, box calf, patent tip, rope stitched, stock tip in many styles, light or heavy sole and all sizes—all sold regularly at \$3.50 and \$4.00, your choice, pair \$2.90

Johnson Bros.' shoes for ladies—newest Spring styles in kid or patent tip, light or heavy soles, the best \$3 shoe on the market, this week at, pair \$2.29

Ladies' patent leather and "vici" kid Oxfords, heavy sole, latest toe and all sizes, choice at, pair \$1.95

Ladies' \$3.50 tan Oxfords for \$2.80 pair.

Misses' and Children's

"Cousins'" misses' shoes—kid styles, with stock or patent tip, lace or button styles, sizes 11 1-2 to 2, pr \$1.85

Children's shoes in same styles as above, sizes 8 1-2 to 11, pair \$1.55

Children's hand-turned lace or button shoes, in sizes 5 to 8, pair 95c

Infants' lace or button shoes, in black or red, special, pair 42c

Men's Shoes

Box or velour calf and cordovan, vici kid or enamel, heavy or light soles, latest toe, pair \$2.95

Boys' Shoes

Boys' casco calf lace shoes, in heavy or light soles, sizes 2 1-2 to 5 1-2, pair \$1.55

Sizes 1 to 2 at, pair \$1.40

Sizes 11 to 13 1-2 at, pair \$1.30

"Victor"

Sporting Goods of every description—Sole Portland agents Base Ball Goods—Masks, Fielder's Gloves, Catcher's Gloves and Protectors, Base Balls, Uniforms, etc.—Tennis Goods—Special prices made to amateur base ball nines. (Third floor.)

Best Muslin Underwear



In the land is being offered at special prices for this week only—you know the class of Undermuslins carried here—the styles and make the very best—the product of America's leading manufacturers—No skimpy garments—no sweat-shop garments.

Gowns The entire \$3.00 line in half dozen styles—handsomely trimmed with lace and embroidery—big full sizes—the best bargains of the year at \$2.47

Drawers Choice of our entire \$1.50 line of Drawers in open or closed styles—Umbrella flounce—lace and Hamburg trimmed, \$1.22

all sizes, at 97c

Corset Covers Choice of our entire line of \$1.25 Corset Covers in a very large variety of styles, dainty lace trimmed designs at 97c

Cloak

Ladies are invited to see the new Kilt Skirts in wool material, alpaca and taffeta silk—Very popular at present in New York and all the large Eastern cities.

Department

Last day of \$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits at \$14.85—Great Silk Waist bargain at \$6.15—\$15.00 Silk Petticoat, \$11.75.

Lace Dept.

These unusual offerings still remain on sale—the picking is good.

5000 yards of fine Cambric Embroideries, 5 to 8 inches wide, great array of pretty patterns—Yours while they last at, yd 12c

500 yards of plain and fancy Pleated Chiffon in white, helio, yellow or black, 21 inches, 75c quality, yd 39c

300 yards of 45-inch plain Chiffon in all the leading shades, great value at, yd 39c

Challies

The largest and prettiest line of all-wool Challies in town—fully 200 patterns to select from at 35c yd

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Marcella Waisting

A great purchase of 3500 yards of Marcella Waistings in a mammoth array of colorings, fully 38 shades to select from—all striped effects 27 inches wide—a splendid bargain at 21c the yard

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Trunk Sale



We're doing a wholesale trunk business these days. Best trunks in every style and size at special prices. (Third Floor.)

A 32-inch duck-covered trunk, waterproof, fully painted, extra-heavy ball corners, 2 leather straps \$4.87

A heavy 34-inch duck covered dress trunk, steel center bands, fine exterior look, heavy \$6.10

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A 30-inch steamer trunk, 3-ply veneer top, heavy duck-covered, with chain trimmings, pat. Victor look \$3.98

A fine heavy duck-covered dress trunk, ball cushion corners, full cloth lined, heavy trays, two straps, best fittings and lock \$7.37

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OLDS, WORTMAN & KING

YOUR HOME'S BUT HALF FURNISHED WITHOUT A SEWING MACHINE, and it's no better with a poor one. Commence right by getting the best. It will prove the cheapest and is our

O. W. & K. SEWING MACHINE

Lightest running, ball bearing, simply constructed and easily regulated. Made by manufacturers recognized as the leaders in skillful work. Guaranteed for ten years. Prices \$22.65, \$24.85 and \$27.75.

EXTRA HOSIERY CHANCE. One of the good things our Hosiery Stock is noted for. Commencing this morning we will sell, as long as they last, Ladies' Lisle-Thread Hose, fast black, dull finish, with light spliced heels, double soles and French toe. Full 40c grade, yours now at, pair 29c

LADIES' Lisle HOSE yours now at, pair 29c

A WALKING SKIRT SALE—EXTRAORDINARY \$3.90 TODAY and TOMORROW brings you \$5.00 and \$7.50 values. All colors. Plain and chalkline stripes.

NEW BY EXPRESS TODAY

Taffeta Peau de Soie and Mohair Raglans. Up-to-date, chic effects, not to be found in any other Portland store. The prices too are right, you may be sure.

A WORD ABOUT SUITS

Many times every day we sell to ladies who have examined thoroughly every suit stock in the city, and they tell us here are to be found the best styles and values. 'Tis well to remember this when starting out to buy your Spring Suit. While every day's business carries out many lines, every day's express brings replenishments to this matchless stock.

THE PINGREE GLORIA

—\$3.50—SHOE FOR WOMEN

EXTRA SPECIALS

Child's White Dress, worth \$1.00, at 69c

Ladies' Muslin Petticoats, \$1.00 and 50c grades, at 73c

\$2.25 "Royal Worcester" Corsets (2nd floor annex) \$1.23

Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

SIXTH ANNUAL

SILVERWARE SALE

Devoted entirely to the wares of two manufacturers—

ROGERS 1847 AT WARE and HOMAN SILVERPLATE CO.

No further need of explanation. The goods offered are world-famous—have been for 50 years. The prices will interest the most economical and prudent buyers. Not a price here that isn't worth your investigation.

ROGERS 1847 TABLE WARE.

Teaspoons, per set 95c
Dessert Spoons, per set \$1.69
Tablespoons, per set \$1.92
Dessert Forks, per set \$1.69
Table Forks, per set \$1.92
Sugar Shell and Butter Knife, set 75c
Sugar Shells, each 35c
Cold-meat Fork, each 55c
Beef Fork, each 47c
Oyster Ladle, each \$1.46
Berry Spoons, each 90c
And many other special prices.

HOMAN'S QUADRUPLE TABLEWARE.

Fine Pickle Casters, regular, \$2.50, special \$1.95
Fine Water Pitcher, regular \$2.95, special \$2.25
Fine Bake Dishes, regular \$1.50, special \$1.19
Fine Bake Dishes, regular \$1.65, special \$1.45
Fine Bake Dishes, regular \$3.00, special \$2.45
Fine Berry Dishes, regular \$3.00, special \$2.45
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EXTRA
Fine New 4-Piece Tea Set, handsomely made, reg., \$6; sp'l, \$4.48
Fine Heavy 4-Piece Tea Set, richly finished, reg., \$7.50; sp'l, \$5.48

Last Day of Special Sale

Of \$20.00 and \$22.50 Tailor-Made Suits, at \$16.50.

SOLE AGENTS FOR THE FAMOUS CROWN TAFETA SILKS.

Perfect Adjustable Curtain Stretcher \$2.25

1500 yards Embroidered Linen Batiste 50c yd

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