

BRAINED WITH AN AX

East Side Grocer Found Unconscious in Cellar.

HE RAVES OF HIS ASSAILANT

Charles Kalk's Skull Fractured by Wound-He Robber, Who Falls to Get Plunder-He Talks of Man With Black Mustache.

A mystery which has not yet been solved surrounds the circumstances causing injuries to Charles Kalk, who was found insensible yesterday in the basement of his grocery store, at 555 Milwaukie street.

He was assaulted by some one who knew that he had a large amount of money on his person. If this was the case, however, the thief was scared away before he could secure the plunder, for the money was still in the man's possession when he was found by Policeman Isaacson some time after the trouble.

That Kalk was struck in the head with an ax seems to be no doubt. Near the place where he was lying was an ax, stained with blood, and on his head was the mark of the ax, which fractured his skull and caused a bad wound.

As soon as he was found, the ambulance was summoned, and he was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital. He was entirely unconscious until he had nearly reached the hospital, when he commenced to regain his senses slightly. He struggled fiercely, seeming to imagine he was in a fight.

"He hit me with the ax the other time," said he, "but I'll fix him this time."

So violent were his efforts that it required three men to hold him. Until late last night he had not regained his senses sufficiently to talk with any one, but at the least suggestion of his trouble would become very agitated and talk at random.

"Oh, I'll remember you," he would say, "I'll forget that black mustache." The friends say that they do not know of his having had any trouble with any one, and the fact that he speaks of remembering the man leads them to think that some one was watching him at the time.

Kalk has owned the grocery store at 555 Milwaukie street for some time, but recently sold it. People of the community here think, and it is the opinion of the relatives of the injured man that his assailant knew it and supposed that he had the money with him. He did have over \$100 in his pocket, but it was not taken.

How long he remained in the basement after he was struck is not known. The condition of the blood it must have been at least an hour. He lives with his parents at 1001 Clinton street, and they say that he left after dinner to go down to the store. It was well toward evening before they got the news of his injuries.

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AFTER MINTHORN WATER.

Milwaukie People Will This Evening Consider Getting a Supply.

The School Board of Milwaukie district has called a meeting of the voters of the district for this evening in the Town Hall to provide means for getting a supply of pure water for the schoolhouse.

RURAL MAILS BY TROLLEY CARS.

May Go to Gresham and Other Points by O. W. P. & R. Line.

The mails for Gresham and intermediate points will probably be carried by the Oregon Water Power & Railroad Company, when the cars commence running on that branch from Portland.

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Great Bargains in the Cloak Store

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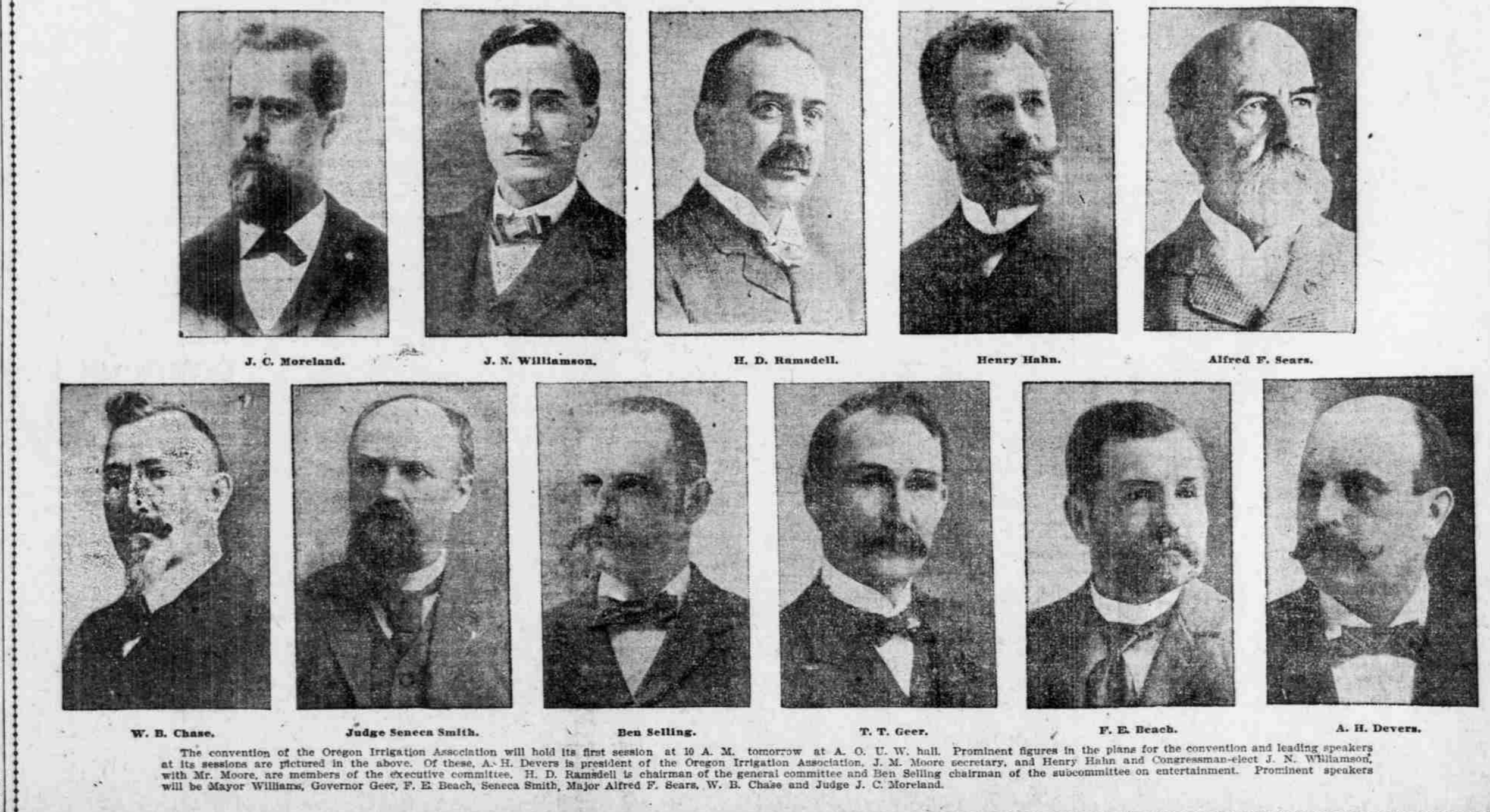
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LEADING FIGURES IN THE IRRIGATION CONGRESS, NOVEMBER 18-19, IN PORTLAND



The convention of the Oregon Irrigation Association will hold its first session at 10 A. M. tomorrow at A. O. U. W. hall. Prominent figures in the plans for the convention and leading speakers at its sessions are pictured in the above. Of these, A. H. Devers is president of the Oregon Irrigation Association, J. M. Moore secretary, and Henry Hahn and Congressman-elect J. N. Williamson, with Mr. Moore, are members of the executive committee. H. D. Ramsdell is chairman of the general committee and Ben Selling chairman of the subcommittee on entertainment. Prominent speakers will be Mayor Williams, Governor Geer, F. E. Beach, Seneca Smith, Major Alfred F. Sears, W. B. Chase and Judge J. C. Moreland.