

JOHNSON AND HIS WIFE CONFESS CRIMES.

MEMBER OF OLD FAMILY

Self-Accused Robber Son of Portland Pioneer.

FORMAL CHARGE MADE TODAY

Girl Who Is a Mother and a Wife for Second Time May Not Be Prosecuted—She Seeks no Notoriety.

Breaking down under cross-examination by the detectives, Arthur T. Johnson, son of the late A. Johnson, well-known meat packer and dealer, yesterday confessed to committing two highway robberies.

His 17-year-old wife has confessed to her connection with the first, but until it is proven that she actually took part in robbing, no attempt will be made to implicate her in the formal charges which will be filed today.

The robberies to which Johnson has confessed are those committed on September 24, when Martin Nelson, of 690 East Alder street, was robbed on East Morrison street of a small amount of silver, and that in which, a few minutes before the Nelson robbery, William Madigan, a messenger boy of the American District Telegraph Company, was robbed of \$1.00 at East Twelfth and East Morrison streets.

Johnson has been identified by Nelson as the man who robbed him at the muzzle of a pistol. Nelson is positive that Mrs. Johnson is the young girl who she swore when he met her a short distance from the scene of the robbery a few minutes after. Her unusual interest in the possible identification of the boy who she aroused his suspicions, and he led her to an air-locked that he might have a good book at her features.

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Johnson's turn yesterday morning, however, and after being confronted by the identification of Martin Nelson, he broke down and admitted that he alone was responsible for the holdups on East Morrison street.

Johnson is said to have a number of relatives living in the city. His father, A. H. Johnson, was at one time a man of considerable means, but his death took from him his death loss of his wealth. The police were greatly surprised when they discovered the family history of the man they had arrested as a highway robber.

RELATION OF BIBLE TO LIFE

Visiting Seattle Preacher Advocates Its Study for Cogent Reasons.

AT COMING STATE CONVENTION

Authorities on the Subject Will Address Representatives in Portland and Practice on Roads in Vicinity of City.

WHO WILL SPEAK AT THE OREGON GOOD ROADS CONVENTION.



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"What about the Bible?" was the subject of an address delivered before a large audience of young men in the Y. M. C. auditorium yesterday afternoon by Rev. John Dean, pastor of the Baptist Church of Seattle. He considered the Bible in relation to its importance in every-day life and in every walk of life. The speaker declared that it should be in the pocket of every man, and that it should be the guide-book of every life. He asserted that in politics it would do more to purify government and clear the country of vice than all the theories of Socialism or any other political scheme ever invented.

At the annual convention of the Oregon Good Roads Association, which will convene in this city October 23 and 24, next, several prominent men from various parts of the country will be present and give the members of the association information relative to the best and most successful methods of road improvement. These men are commissioners and supervisors who have devoted years to the study of roads and whose experience is of value to those engaged in the study of the latest plans for road construction will be brought here and one feature of the convention will be a practical demonstration of road construction in or around Portland.

The members of the Oregon association feel that much can be learned from the visitors about the ways and means that are employed with success in other cities and states for the betterment of the highways and that the pointers given the local organization may be used with profit to Oregon and her cities. Among those who are expected to attend are: J. H. McDonald, Commissioner of Roads for the Rocky Mountain district. Invitations have been sent to other prominent men who have made a study of roads and their improvement, and it is expected that several of them will be present. Governor Chamberlain, of Oregon, will deliver an address.

Besides these men, it is expected that all County Judges, Commissioners and Road Supervisors, quarters of county highways, City Street Commissioners and Engineers, so far as possible, will be present as delegates, they being entitled to participate in the convention by virtue of their offices. The County Clerks of the various counties have also been asked to appoint five delegates from each county.

Practically all of the time will be devoted to the consideration of the roads and the best methods of improving them. Addresses are to be made by the visiting Commissioners and Supervisors, especially those from other states, in which the methods that have been employed and the work that has been done in the various places will be thoroughly explained.

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HOW TO MAKE ROADS

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CARE OF WAYWARD YOUTH

Week's Record of Boys' and Girls' Home—Rounding up the Traints.

RECENT ACCESSIONS.

MOVEMENT FOR OPPOSITION LINE TO PENINSULAR.

MAY BE STREET-CAR WAR

NO EVENING WEDDINGS

REMOVAL IS POSTPONED.

DIES ON THE TRAIN.

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