

LANDS IN LOTTERY

Rush to Tract to Be Reclaimed by Twin Falls Works.

MANY COME FROM OREGON

Town of Shoshone, Idaho, is Crowded and Surplus of People Find It Difficult to Secure Places to Sleep at Night.

ENDOWMENT OF WILLAMETTE

Association Formed to Put Financial Affairs on Better Basis.

SALEM, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—For the purpose of placing the financial affairs of the Willamette University on a better basis, the Willamette Endowment Association was incorporated today by a number of prominent business men.

The object of the association is to create and manage an endowment fund, the proceeds of which shall be devoted to the aid of Willamette University.

It is understood that the desire of the friends of the university has been to place the endowment fund in the control of men of such well-known business ability that the school will feel assured that funds bequeathed by them will be carefully managed, so that no losses will be suffered.

The town of Shoshone, the nearest railway point, has been crowded for ten days, people finding it difficult to secure cots on which to sleep, and every available conveyance is engaged in hauling passengers to the new town. The drawing will occur Thursday.

CHARGES APPARENTLY TRIVIAL

Special Government Agent Inquiring Concerning Baker and Lindsey.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—William H. H. Smith, chief of the Department of Justice, is in Seattle inquiring into the charges that have been made at Washington against State Senator C. F. Baker, recommended by Senators Ankeny and Pike for United States District Attorney and Major respectively.

The Lindsey investigation is practically, if not entirely, concluded. On the face of the charges the most serious objection urged against Lindsey is the insufficient friendship toward the Washington Water Power Company and the Pacific States Telephone Company. The charges of factious political activity are not sufficient to influence the appointing power.

There has been nothing developed thus far in the investigation into charges against Senator Baker that warrants a defense by the latter. Unless the political enemies of Senator Baker are able to show some serious reason why he should not be appointed, it is probable that he will not call upon the Senator for an answer.

The first person whom Mr. Ramsey summoned to a conference this morning was State Senator C. F. Baker. He entered the lower house at 1:30 from Jefferson County, the same year that Senator Baker made his legislative debut as

Won a Countess in the Park

Miss Smith, of New York, Weds the Man Who Saved Her From Runaway.

New York Sun.

On a keen afternoon in last October, Jenn Valerio, a young girl of Caserta, quite low in mind, was shelling peanuts in Central Park for the greedy squirrels and discussing with Captain Jim O'Kelly (R. N., retired), the peculiar humor of the Count, his grandfather, in telling him that the Count's daughter might not enjoy until he had a son of his own.

Captain O'Kelly was busy with the squirrels and sparrows around the nutcracker, and he had no time to spare for the girl. Neither had an idea that Luck was bidding just around the curve of the East Drive, ready to shower fortune.

There came to the nutcracker, the two quite suddenly, the drumming of hoofs somewhere behind the trees far up the drive, O'Kelly's ears caught a woman's shrill call for help.

The squirrels and sparrows scurried and fluttered away as a black horse, bit in teeth, foam-flecked, thundered around a curve of the drive, at One Hundredth street. The bride rein was swinging over his head, the saddle had slipped to his flank, and a white-faced woman was hanging desperately to the pommel, clinging nearer and nearer the ground with every lunge the horse made.

The Count took one side of the roadway, the Captain the other. There was a chance that one might jump and grip the bride if the other failed. Then the black was upon them in a swirl of dust. The woman, they saw, had fainted. O'Kelly leaped for the bride rein, just gripped it and hung on while the Count, with a trick of the finger, leaped to the back of the runaway, slipped, fell on his teeth, stuck and got his muscular fingers around the horse's withers, clinging desperately until the black stopped, legs out.

Both men were sweeps for looks, just then, clothes in rags and ribbons, blood streaming from a cut in O'Kelly's arm, the Count's doublet, then he went exploring in South Africa and got to know more about the Transvaal than Com Paul. He found a likely spot going cheap, squeezed a bit of money from home, brought it and

Along came the reaction between the Boers and the Uitlanders and the Count took a hand. President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, made him chief aide-de-camp. When the bottom dropped out of things Steyn sent £250,000 to the Hague in case he might need it in his old age, and De Caseria was chosen from 11,000 men to represent the Boers in the House of Representatives under the nose of the British and delivered it to Steyn's agents in Holland.

When he got back a former Boer spy named MacGregor betrayed him to the redcoats at Capetown. The Count was sentenced to be shot as a spy, but some friends of his in Paris used a lot of influence with Dewindt Street and they let him go. When the war was over he wouldn't take the oath of allegiance, so they confiscated his farm and called him. That was how he got to New York.

"I got to know him through a letter of introduction he brought from an old pal of mine in the Royal Navy, Captain Baker."

"His wife, it seems, wanted to take a quiet look at life without being tied to a chaperon, and when her left objected she had a bit of a quarrel with Philadelphia and came to the Asylum apartments at 20 West Seventy-sixth street. She had plenty of money, was of age, and so the old gentleman's objections didn't go very far. That was several months before the little incident in Central Park."

"The Count will have money of his own some day as it has turned out. His grandfather made a will leaving a valuable property in Bilbao, Spain, to him only on condition that he married and got a son. Some day, the captain went on, "I am going to hear of the birth of James O'Kelly Jean Valerio Manuel de Caseria. That's the best gift I could wish for."

"The Count and Countess de Caseria will return to New York about the 1st of June. They will make their home here and in Paris."

The message gave him a bad quarter of an hour, and he didn't waste any time getting to the city to interview the daughter and the Count. He looked over De Caseria, and told Miss Smith in a positive sort of way "that he didn't want any foreign nobility in his family." He said he had got along without a Count for 60 odd years, and he thought he could struggle along a while longer.

The Countess proved herself a brick right through. He knew many things about the Count and he recited anblad of South Africa and Algeria to the old gentleman

ROBBERS IN PRISON

Forty Days After Cracking Lebanon Bank Safe.

TWO MADE THEIR ESCAPE

El Dunn and J. A. Crossley Under Sentence of Five Years in the Penitentiary—Flight for Sum Held by Crossley.

ALBANY, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—Judge Burnett this afternoon sentenced El Dunn and J. A. Crossley, convicted of the Lebanon bank robbery, to five years in the Penitentiary. Sheriff White took them to Salem this evening. The motion for a new trial was overruled and the defendant's attorneys were given 30 days in which to file a bill of exceptions.

The men were convicted by circumstantial evidence of robbing the bank early on the morning of February 8. They were seen at Albany with two others, Kingsley and Darland, and on a lonely spot, the robbery was seen near here, making for the West Side railroad. The bank safe was burglarized, the burglar-proof chest blown open, and \$300,000 worth of money was taken.

At the trial an alibi was attempted of proof by Portland witnesses for Dunn, while officials Portland tried to establish the fact that Crossley, before the robbery had a large sum of money. Both men denied having known Kingsley and Darland.

Crossley had over \$800 when arrested. Attorneys this afternoon attempted to secure the money on an order. The money was also claimed by an insurance company carrying burglar insurance on the possession of the money, which is in the State Attorney's hands and not admitted in evidence.

The prisoners reached the Penitentiary in 40 days from the date of the crime. Search of the records of the prison showed the other two men implicated, continues.

MASKED MEN GET THE PAYROLL

Carriers for Oil Company Stopped a Few Miles From Berkeley.

BERKELEY, Cal., March 20.—Ten thousand dollars in gold and silver, the payroll of the California Coast Oil Company, was taken by two masked men from John Daly, a liverman of Oakland, and A. Roach, his companion, at a point on the coast road in Contra Costa County, at about 9:45 this morning.

The money was in two canvas sacks and the gold was in mostly 20-piece pieces. The holdup occurred in a lonely spot known as "Death's Cut," where the San Pablo road crosses the Southern Pacific tracks, about six miles from North Berkeley, and about four miles east of Point Richmond. Daly was driving a bay horse hitched to a light rubber-tired road buggy.

Having ascertained themselves that the money was in the buggy, the robbers tied the rig and, marching their victims 100 yards up the road at the point of the rifle, they opened fire and blinded them. Then, dragging them to the side of the road, in a most brutal manner they threw them into a mud puddle, having first tied their feet to the fence.

"Some one will come along in an hour or so and release you," cheerily remarked the taller of the two robbers, who seemed to be the leader, as they left the scene of the holdup and drove away in Daly's buggy.

From the confession of the thugs Daly was able to gather that they were well acquainted with the affairs of the oil company. The taller of the two robbers, who was dressed in a suit and tie, while searching the men that this was better than working for the oil company. The robbers took only pocket knives and a watch, and a few dollars in their hurry overlooked \$50 in Daly's pocket.

Roach managed to work loose from his bonds, untied his companion and returned to Stege, where they told their appearance here out the story of the brutal treatment of the two men. Grady procured a rig for them and they drove on to Richmond, where the authorities were notified. Armed posse are now searching for the robbers.

ONE CAUGHT, OTHER IS SURROUNDED.

RICHMOND, Cal., March 20.—The horse and buggy taken from Daly and Roach this morning was found at West Berkeley tonight, about dark, with \$1000 in the buggy.

A man answering the description of the robber, who is a soft-boiled man of between San Pablo and Galetay ranch this evening, and was taken to San Pablo. The heavy man is still at large in the hills near Pointe, Sheriff Valerio is in pursuit. It is thought that one of the men took the rig to Berkeley and then went north and was joined by his companion later. It is supposed that the rest of the money is hidden along the road near Stege.

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SALOONS ON A BUSINESS BASIS

Proposal to Los Angeles is Made With Backing of Coin.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 20.—A syndicate of Los Angeles capitalists has made in good faith a proposal to the City Attorney and Board of Police Commissioners to have the present 100 liquor licenses revoked and instead 25 licenses issued to the company. The members would place their saloons in charge of competent persons, under such regulations as to not exist in any American city. Treating would be considered a misdemeanor. Coffee and soft drinks would be served, as well as intoxicants, and a forbidding would be said for every drink sold to an intoxicated person. The drinking places would be made attractive and the prices uniform.

But for the fact that this proposal is seriously backed by a number of men of wealth, it would be taken as a joke. A formal offer is made to guarantee the city \$100,000 per year for the exclusive privilege and to spend a liberal amount in public improvements. The syndicate will make the offer, and if it is refused will assist in the present strenuous campaign to bring to a vote in Los Angeles the question of saloons or no saloons.

SALOON TO BE WITHOUT LIQUOR

Church People of Tacoma May Open Temperance P.ice.

TACOMA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—A call has been issued for a mass meeting to be held Tuesday evening at the First Methodist Church, to consider plans to establish a temperance saloon and game room in the heart of the business section.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of a committee of young men, consisting of Rev. John W. Berger, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church; Attorney Dix H. Rowland and Mr. Fries, of the valley telephone company. Rev. Mr. Berger, who is chairman of the committee, said today:

"We are endeavoring to establish a temperance saloon on Pacific avenue, and

SEES EYES OF DEAD

Converted Man Confesses Murder of Eight Years Ago.

THREW BODY IN MAINE RIVER

One Result of the Revival Meetings Just Ended in Oakland Under the Auspices of the Traveling Evangelists.

QAKLAND, Cal., March 20.—Asserting that he had been converted by the evangelists who have been holding meetings in this city, Earl R. Bodine, who says he is an ex-convict, went before Chief of Police Hodgkins today, accompanied by some of the evangelists, and confessed that eight years ago, near Fort Fairfield, Me., he shot and killed a companion, disposing of the body by throwing it into the Aroostook River, and confessing that he disappeared beneath the water the dead man's eyes glared at him, and ever since he has been unable to rid himself of those haunting eyes.

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SHOT STOPS SALEM JAILBREAK

Sheriff Fires at Prisoners as They Are About to Bend Bar.

SALEM, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—A shot from the revolver of Sheriff W. J. Culver put a timely end to an attempted jailbreak this afternoon and prevented the escape of four and perhaps nine county prisoners. With a bar on the jail window sawed off and the bar bent so as to permit the passage of their bodies, the criminals were about to depart from the County Jail when Sheriff Culver discovered them and put a sudden stop to the effort.

C. P. King, awaiting a hearing on a charge of larceny, was the leader in the attempted break and was assisted by Roy Conklin, Arthur Free and Wah Lee, all in for larceny. Free is an ex-convict and a hardened criminal. The men made their way from the steel taken from the sole of a shoe. With this they had evidently worked several days at opportune times sawing the bar and had completed the work today.

Late this afternoon Mrs. Culver thought she heard a sound as of sawing and reported the matter to her husband, who promptly went to the window above the jail. Culver looked down and saw a prisoner bending the bar to make an opening for escape. Drawing his revolver he fired and the bullet struck the man below the neck and he fell. The man was found dead and his body was taken to the morgue.

This is only one of many attempts that have been made to saw out of this court some of the efforts have been successful.

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The Jewish rabbi, who does the killing and dressing of chickens and poultry for a large number of the most orthodox Jews in Seattle, cannot conscientiously eat food that is forbidden to his religious followers.

BRISTOW ASKS FOR EXPRESSION

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FIGHT ON WITH BAKER SALOONS

Sheriff Said to Be Responsible for Effort to Enforce Law.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 20.—L. R. Rusk, James Sellers and Thomas Wright, all of Boursin, were arraigned this morning in the Circuit Court on the charge of violating the Sunday closing law. They were allowed the statutory time to plead. Another batch of indictments is expected any time.

Over 100 indictments have been brought against Baker City and County liquor dealers by the grand jury now in session. This morning the indictments against Sunday liquor-selling is laid at the door of Sheriff Brown, as the result of threats said to have been made last fall by the evanagelists, and confessed that eight years ago, near Fort Fairfield, Me., he shot and killed a companion, disposing of the body by throwing it into the Aroostook River, and confessing that he disappeared beneath the water the dead man's eyes glared at him, and ever since he has been unable to rid himself of those haunting eyes.

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BIG SPRING NEAR HOOD RIVER

Council Sees Option to Supply the Town With Water.

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LEAVES MONEY TO OLD FRIEND

Cowiche Hermit Committed Suicide When Tales Were Told.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—The body of Louis Christanson, who committed suicide on the Cowiche, was brought to this place today and buried. He left two letters, one addressed to an old friend, and the other to a neighbor, Peter Swanson. In the letters he said when they received he would be gone out of the world and asked that they take his property, as he had no heirs in America. In his letter to Tucker he said: "What this was no one seems to know. He told Tucker that he would send \$300 in a package in a cardboard box. The estate is worth about \$8000."

LOOT SAFE IN BROAD DAYLIGHT

Strangers Send Loan Clerk Down Cellar, and Then Help Themselves.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—The grocery store of W. Sims and Sons, located on the corner of Third and Walla Walla streets, was looted in broad daylight this morning. About \$2000 in cash and jewelry were taken from the safe. The store was closed for some time. The police are searching for the robbers.

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SWITCH-ENGINE CUT OFF HEAD

Northern Pacific Section Foreman Slept on Rails in Butte Valley.

BUTTE, Mont., March 20.—Dan Hickey, a Northern Pacific section foreman, was decapitated by a switch engine in the Butte valley this morning. Hickey was sleeping on the track. Hickey was 60 years old, unmarried and had no relatives here, and his home is not known.

Secretary of National Convention.

PENDLETON, Or., March 20.—James B. Givinn, secretary of the National Livestock Association, is in the city of Astoria, Ore., on his way to Denver. The executive committee of the National Livestock Association is composed of representatives from the following National organizations: Woolgrowers, cattle-growers, horse raisers, goat raisers, swinegrowers, stockyards, commission men and packers. The management of the convention is in charge of W. A. Harris, of Kansas, who makes his office in Chicago; F. J. Hagenbarth, of Salt Lake, is president of the association.

Mr. Givinn, now secretary of the Oregon Woolgrowers' Association, is a native of Idaho and has resided in Pendleton the past five years.

Meed to Visit Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Considerable preparation is being made for the reception of Governor Albert Mead, who will arrive here tomorrow. The Mead will be at the penitentiary tomorrow evening, given by Warden F. A. Kea, who will entertain the executive during his stay.

Wednesday morning the Governor will speak to the students at Whitman College, at chapel service, and during the afternoon will visit the penitentiary and the State Hospital. In the evening he will be given a public reception at the Commercial Club rooms.

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WESTERN PACIFIC IS FINANCED

Construction Plans on Boca & Loyalton Railroad Are Advancing.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—The Western Pacific Railway Company received the following telegram from its New York office today:

"You are authorized to state that the Western Pacific Railway Company is fully financed and construction will be begun without delay; that the Boca & Loyalton Railroad has been purchased and that plans of construction are being advanced as rapidly as possible, and that Wiston H. Brown & Co., of New York, will be the general contractors."

Asks for Salmon Data.

ASTORIA, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—Fish Warden Van Dusen has received a telegram from Senator Fulton, stating that Secretary Metcalf, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, wishes the Warden to send him at once the cost of the principal salmon fisheries in the States of Oregon and Washington, the capacity of such, expense of operation, number of employees and such other information as will be useful to him in establishing fish hatcheries in Alaska.

Mr. Van Dusen is preparing a detailed statement regarding the salmon fisheries in the States of Oregon and Washington, and will forward it to Secretary Metcalf.

ASTORIA STREETS TO BE CLEANED.

ASTORIA, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—The City Council at its meeting this evening passed ordinances creating a street-cleaning department and authorizing the committee to purchase the tools and machines necessary for its maintenance; fixing a license of \$50 per year on billposters and granting Mayor Francis to W. W. Whiteley and J. R. Clinton, of Seattle, for gas, electric light and telephone systems. Dr. R. J. Pilkington was reappointed City Physician for the ensuing year.

Doors for Fort McKinley.

SEATTLE, March 20.—One bid, submitted by Wheeler, Osgood & Co., of Tacoma, offering to manufacture 1750 doors for \$254,725 was opened by United States Quartermaster Frank A. Grant in this city today. The doors are for use by the Government at Fort McKinley, Philippines Islands.

To Observe Work of Japanese Navy.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 20.—Captain F. J. Drake, United States Navy, ordered to Japan to observe the work of the Japanese navy on behalf of the United States Government, sailed for Yokohama tonight by the steamer Empress of India.

Graves Succeeds McElroy.

TACOMA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Carl B. Graves succeeds McElroy as Northern Pacific counsel at Seattle, the latter voluntarily resigning.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Captain Charles Hamblin.

ASTORIA, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—The remains of Captain Charles Hamblin, who died at Rainier Saturday, were brought here today for burial. The funeral will be held from the Free bazaar Church on Clatsop Plains this afternoon and the interment was in the Old Pioneer Cemetery.

Captain Hamblin was born in the East about 75 years ago, came to the Columbia River on a sailing vessel and for several years ran a trap line between Astoria and points along the mouth of the river. During the latter part of his life he resided near Rainier, where he died. He was a member of the Free bazaar Church. He left a widow and one daughter.

Alexander Begg.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 20.—News has been received here of the death in New York of Alexander Begg, historian, who wrote histories of British Columbia and the Canadian Northwest, and who was at the head of the Crofters colonization scheme, which aimed to have 10,000 Scotch crofters brought to the Vancouver Island coast.

War Makes Army Increase Needless.

BERLIN, March 20.—The Reichstag today Herr Begg, the Socialist member, taking part in the debate on the army increase bill, availed that the proposed increase was unnecessary. Germany's alliances were an adequate counterweight to the alliance of France and Russia before the Far Eastern War, and if the war ended now, Russia would require a long series of years to recuperate. Every month the war lasted added a year to the period essential for Russia to repair damage. For a long time, therefore, Germany had nothing to fear from the dual alliance.

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