

'BARNUM' BEARS MYSTIC SHRINERS

Ashland Brethren Contribute Freely to "Grandson of the Great Showman."

EAGER FOR HIS SCALP NOW

Posing as a millionaire and as a grandson of the original showman, a clever stranger, giving the name of P. T. Barnum, and wearing a Mystic Shriner pin and clothes of the latest style, is getting money from persons in towns along the Southern Pacific. In consequence Portland police are hunting him on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Apparently with full faith in the famous utterance of the great Barnum, of showdom, "The American public likes to be humbugged," the stranger began work again, reaching Ashland, Or., about a week ago, and secured money from some of the most prominent Shriners of the Southern Oregon town. These men have appealed to Chief of Police Gritzmacher to apprehend him, but he is believed to have come here from the south.

Mystic Shriner in Distress.

"P. T. Barnum" made his first appearance in Ashland in the guise of a Mystic Shriner in distress. He was taken to a hospital there, having been brought in on a Southern Pacific train from Tirrell, Cal., suffering from a fracture of the right arm, sustained, he said, in an accident on a motor car. He wears a Shriner pin, was faultlessly attired, used good language and exhibited every evidence of education. He at once won favor with the Shriners and was provided with every comfort.

Dr. Swedenburg Pungles \$100.

Without asking a question of "Mr. Barnum," the obliging Dr. Swedenburg accommodated him with \$100. This donation helped some—but more was needed—and one of Dr. Swedenburg's assistants at the hospital chipped in with \$20. Dr. Parsons contributed \$10 and E. T. Staples \$5, none having any hesitancy whatever because all supposed they were assisting a brother Shriner and a grandson of the great showman, who through the fault of a bandied in an effort to apprehend the swindler and prosecute him.

'Barnum' Goes Back to Thrall.

Saturday, April 23, "Barnum" left Ashland, saying he had to go back to Thrall to complete a business deal, and that he would return to Ashland Monday. He never returned, and it was his prolonged absence that aroused suspicion and led to the discovery that a number of the town's most prominent business and professional men had been taken in.

Avoids Statute Offenses.

"Barnum" paid his hotel bill. It is believed he figured the case of capture he could not be prosecuted for borrowing money, but could be prosecuted for defrauding an innkeeper, had he left that amount unpaid. He is described as follows: Medium height, rather stout, dark complexion, aged 45 or 50 years, splendid address, fluent conversationalist, traveled extensively, never the right eye there is a slight dislocation. He is apt to be around prominent hotels.

DAY'S TRANSFERS \$117,232

Rumors of Quarter-Block Structure at Fourth and Alder Streets.

W. H. Powell has purchased from Charles E. Runyon lot 1, in block 242, city for \$230,000.

R. B. Lamson has sold the individual lots of lots 1 and 2 in block 242, city, to M. L. Holbrook for \$30,000.

The total of transfers recorded yesterday was \$117,232.

In the building permits, which ran below recent averages, the most important were two dwellings on Everett street, between North Twenty-first and North Twenty-second, to cost \$3500 each.

Work has started on an addition to the plant of the Oregon Parking Company at East Eighth and Belmont streets, 100x100 feet, basement and two stories.

Does Not Want Young Son to Wed

Mother of A. W. Hunt Promises Trouble When Mame Ogden's Father Swears Both Are of Age and Helps Get Marriage License

TRouble is in store for Albert W. Hunt and his mother is the cause of it. Yesterday he appeared in the County Clerk's office with pretty Mame Louise Ogden, 15 years old, and asked for a marriage license. M. Ogden, father of the girl, accompanied them, and when the papers were signed his name, swearing that both his daughter and young Hunt were of age and that there was no impediment to their marriage.

Several hours after their departure the

SENTENCE JUSTICE

Judge Frazer Discusses Action in Case of J. W. Reed.

PRISON TERM UNDESERVED

Convicted Defendant in Sellwood Election Fraud Scandal Acted as Agent for Those Higher Up. He Was Fined the Limit.

GET READY FOR CHAMPOEG

Usual Up-Willamette Excursion Will Run—Colonel Miller to Speak.

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case and the evidence in regard to Mr. Reed's previous good character, I am sure, would be convincing that he would not have committed this crime if he had known it was a crime at the time; and now that he has gotten into this difficulty, no man would probably hereafter be more careful than he, not only to obey the letter of the law, but its spirit also. I did not believe and do not now believe that Mr. Reed should be sentenced to the penitentiary for this offense. I imposed upon him the highest fine provided by law, the most severe punishment which could be inflicted without sending him to the penitentiary, and I was not willing and would not under similar circumstances be willing again to give way to a feeling of vindictiveness, and sentence him to the penitentiary.

It may be that one of the reasons why a part of the public was disappointed at Mr. Reed's not being sent to the penitentiary, was that he was the only one of the 25 or 30 people concerned in this matter who was convicted. Is that any reason why he should be severely punished? Why should he, a mere underling, acting under the orders of his superiors, be made to suffer punishment for the misdeeds of all the other numerous parties concerned in the same transaction, and who were equally guilty?

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PATCH UP TROUBLE

Seattle Tailors and Journeymen Form Agreement.

SHIPERS ON SOUND UNITE

Form Association to Fight Wage Increase Demanded by Longshoremen, Commencing May 1. Membership Along Coast.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 24.—(Special.)—The fashionable tailors have come to an agreement with the representatives of striking journeymen and the threat of carrying out an open shop policy will not be made good unless the programme agreed upon today is



LATEST ADDITION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT. The latest addition to Portland's Fire Department is Engine No. 11, with headquarters at East Twelfth and Powell streets. It was officially commissioned last week, and its need was demonstrated the following day, when a large residence caught fire from sparks and would have burned to the ground had not the new company been so close.

telephone in the Clerk's office rang, and Deputy Rose answered the call: "It certainly is, madam," asserted Rose. "Well, we Albert W. Hunt and Mame Ogden married there this afternoon?" "Yes, madam," replied the deputy. "Who testified as to their age?" asked the voice on the phone. "M. Ogden, father of the girl."

circumstances justified the dismissal of Reed with a fine. He said yesterday: "I do not wish to make a practice of discussing cases which have been or trial before me. I am willing to allow my official status to speak for itself; but I am informed there has been so much criticism because of my failure to sentence Mr. Reed to the penitentiary, particularly on the part of the good people of Sellwood, who are interested in this matter, and there seems to be such a general misunderstanding of the case that perhaps I should make an exception in this instance."

birth of the American civil government on the Pacific Coast will be celebrated, prominent for a big event. For seven years the anniversary has been observed. Hundreds of pioneers are preparing to attend. F. X. Mathieu, sole survivor of the convention in Champeog in 1842, is to be in attendance. Colonel Robert A. Miller, of Portland, will make an address. There will be other addresses and a musical program.

turned down by the union as a whole. No one but a tailor would understand what the employers shirked, in doubling stitching byms, an extra 25 cents at the beginning of the coat, and other things, but both sides unite in the declaration that the bosses have granted most of the men's requirements.

LIZZIE CAUGHILL INDICTED

Gold Beach Postmistress Possibly Not Responsible Through Illness.

A number of indictments were returned yesterday by the Federal grand jury, clearing up the minor cases, so this morning or this afternoon the Postoffice robbers will get their turn on the wheel. Three true bills were reported yesterday. Lizzie Caughill, the Gold Beach postmistress, who refused to distribute the mail and refused to allow the inspectors to make an investigation, was indicted. During the investigation it was learned that Miss Caughill had been ill for some time and that she was not altogether responsible for her actions.

Reputation of Defendant.

It also appeared beyond any question at the trial that Mr. Reed had always been a man of extremely good reputation, both as to business integrity and moral conduct. No one stood higher in the community in which he lives. He not only had never been guilty of any crime prior to this time, but was not a man of criminal inclinations.

Moving Pictures From Heights Carline

Apparatus Mounted on Portland Heights Special Car Will Today Put on Films the Glorious Panorama for Exhibition Purposes.

If THE weather is fine today and conditions are favorable, complete moving picture films of the scenery from the carline up Portland Heights and Council Crest will be made from a special car leaving First and Washington streets at 11 o'clock this morning. A moving picture outfit will be mounted on a car and as the climb is made up the Heights, a large number of exposures will be made. An expert operator will be in charge and the films, when developed, will be used in moving-picture exhibitions in various parts of the country. As the Heights lie winds about a great deal, it is believed that almost the entire city can be photographed, giving a bird's-eye view of the business and residence districts, with the rivers and the mountains in the background.

ST. JOHNS CLUB ELECTION

Peter Outzen Is Chosen President of Commercial Organization.

The postponed annual meeting of the St. Johns Commercial Club was held in the club rooms in the Holbrook building last night with President D. C. Rogers as chairman. Thirty members were present. Articles of incorporation were read. These place the capital stock at \$500. G. J. Perkins, T. T. Parker and Attorney Hamphreys were appointed a committee to examine the articles of incorporation, revise and correct them, where necessary. Part of the stock has been taken. The report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$6 on hand, with \$100 due from members of the club.

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COURTS BOUND BY TECHNICAL RULES.

Unfortunately, however, under the laws, the courts are bound by technical rules and are compelled frequently to uphold a technical point which allows a man to go free who is manifestly guilty. This is to be regretted. To correct these faults in the law, and in the proceedings of the court, and at the same time to secure to every man a fair trial, and afford every innocent man accused of a crime an ample opportunity to make his defense is a difficult problem. In any event, it is a problem for the Legislature and not for the court; but as I started to say, while I believe that every guilty man should be surely and speedily tried and convicted, I do not believe in excessive punishment. Sentence and swift punishment in the detection and conviction of criminals is a much greater deterrent to those inclined to lead criminal lives than severity of punishment. Unnecessary severity sometimes defeats the very object which it is meant to accomplish.

Oil Prospects in Wasco County.

Prices of property in the vicinity of Princeton-Mile Creek five miles from Duror, Or., are soaring as the result of the petroleum excitement there. A company has been organized to sink wells, a large proportion of the capital stock being owned by residents of that section. "There is every indication that oil will be struck," said J. B. Labor, secretary of the company. "The matter of prices is now a matter of minutes and dollars. On a quarter section which changed hands a few days ago the price advanced \$1000 in an hour and a half after the first offer was made." Oil is to be found floating on many of the creeks flowing eastward from the Mount Hood watershed and has been declared genuine mineral oil. It is expected that a good marketable oil will be struck in this section.

Was Prison Sentence Necessary?

Considering Mr. Reed's past character and the circumstances under which he committed the crime for which he has been sentenced, does any one suppose for a moment that it was necessary to send him to the penitentiary in order to reform him? Or to prevent his committing a similar crime in the future? Or, in fact, except the purpose of deterring others? Any one who heard the evidence in the

A Woman Tells How to Relieve Rheumatic Pains.

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the rooms secured in the Holbrook building.

Shoots Grouse Out of Season. HILLSBORO, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—The first case of violation of the game law this season was heard before Judge H. T. Bagley, this morning, when Fred Jobe, of the Irivaton race track, Portland, pleaded guilty to shooting a grouse, last Sunday, in the Mountaineer section. The court imposed a fine of \$15, which

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Every one should take a tonic in the Spring; their systems require it. The blood has become thick and sluggish with the accumulations left in the system from the inactive, indoor life and from the heavy, rich foods of the Winter season. The blood, being in this unnatural and disordered condition, is unable to furnish the body with the increased amount of nourishment necessary for the more energetic life of Spring and Summer, and the system suffers from debility, weakness, nervousness, indigestion, loss of appetite, and many other unpleasant symptoms of a disordered blood circulation. When the system is in this run-down and disordered condition it is not safe to take unknown concoctions, sarsaparilla, compounds, etc., because they usually contain potash or some other equally strong and harmful mineral ingredient, which acts unfavorably and often dangerously on the depleted, weakened system at a time when it needs gentle and natural stimulation to throw off the impurities and recuperate its lost energy. S. S. S. is appropriately called Nature's tonic. It is made entirely of roots, herbs and barks from the great storehouse of forest and field, selected for their purifying and health-restoring qualities, and as it does not contain the slightest trace of mineral in any form it is perfectly safe for young or old. S. S. S. acts directly on the blood, ridding it of all impurities and poisons, and restoring the lost properties of rich, nutritive strength so that it is able to supply the system with the healthful, invigorating energy needed to pass the trying season of the year. Its action is the most pleasant, prompt and satisfactory of all tonics, and those who feel the need of such a medicine will do well to commence the use of S. S. S. at once. S. S. S. restores lost energy, relieves the tired, worn-out feeling, helps the appetite, aids digestion, and adds tone and vigor to the system. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

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