

DAYLIGHT IS APPEARING

Since October 28th—the bank panic—this big store, like many others, has been in financial darkness. The strain has been terrific—the efforts put forth tremendous—to keep this big plant from striking the rocks of financial ruin—to save this store for Portland and its customers. The two banks we deal with have stood loyally by us—our thousands of customers have been generous in their patronage—and coteries of "Shylocks" who have been impatiently sitting around in a circle licking their chops, thinking each day that the next would surely give them the long-coveted opportunity to pick the bones of this grand store, are doomed to disappointment. We have nearly paid out 100 cents on the dollar, but we want

\$7500 THIS WEEK

And to get it quick and to celebrate the first glimpse of daylight we have had for five months, we will give remarkable bargain sales each day this week. Three weeks ago we sold to an outside dealer our entire remnant odd and end stocks of underwear, waists, hosiery, and cleaned it out—every scratch. We now open these departments and lines again with brand new, fresh stock—(guess some didn't expect this)—and to celebrate and advertise the fact they go on genuine bargain sale prices.

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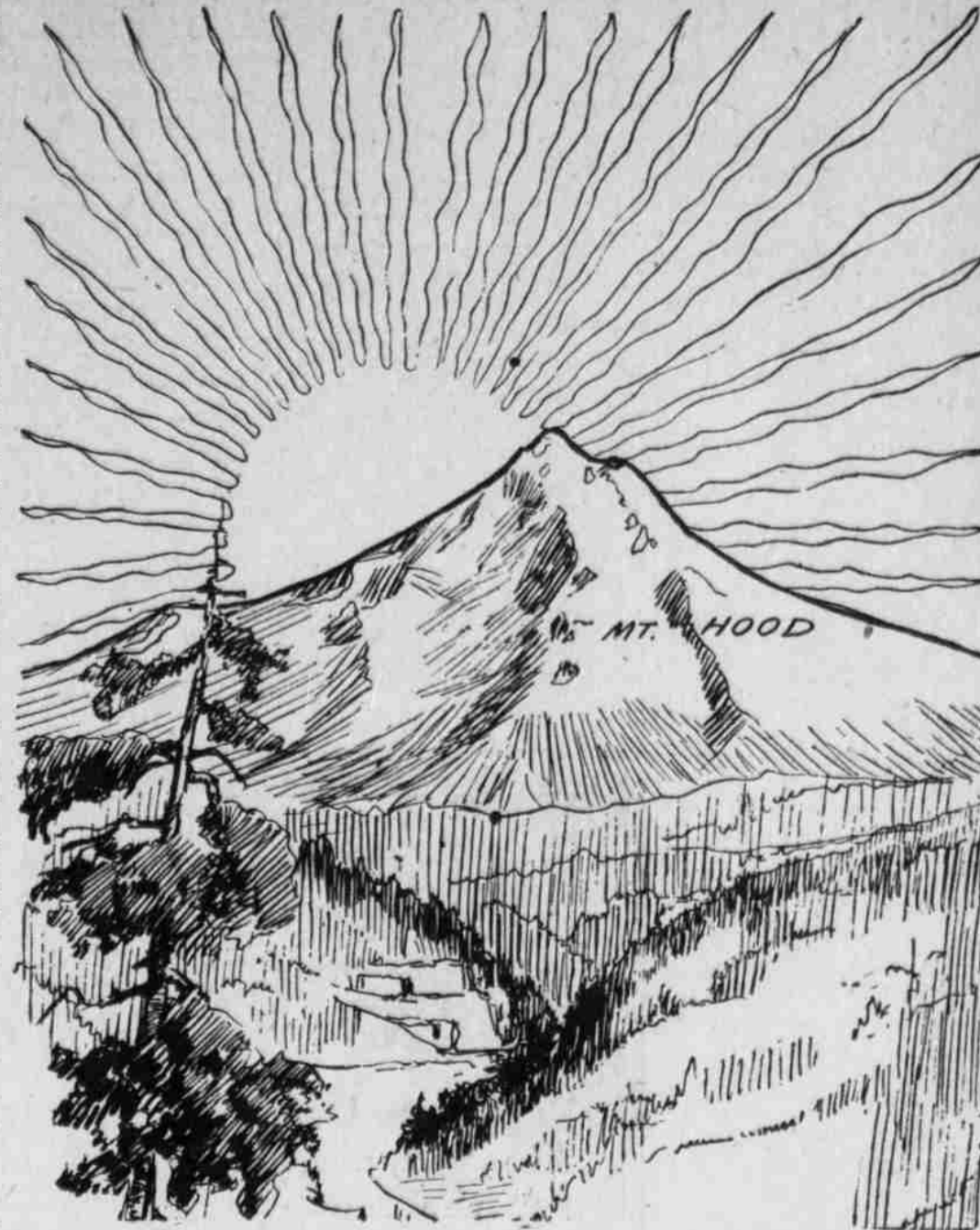
to clear the 100 cents on the dollar. People, it's up to you—We've done our part. Look at the offerings—right in the height of the season.

YOU'LL GIVE IT TO US, WE THINK

Wednesday and Thursday Your Choice of Any Lady's Suit in House Wednesday and Thursday Only

\$22.75

Wholesale and Retail **J. M. ACHESON CO.** Fifth and Alder Sts.



SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

- Your choice of any Skirt in the house Wednesday and Thursday... **\$4.95**
- Your choice of any Silk Petticoat in the house. Values up to \$20... **\$5.95**
- Your choice of any Waist in the house; values up to \$22.50; Wednesday and Thursday at the very special price of... **\$5.95**
- New stock of Ladies' Hose. Your choice of any pr. of hose in the house; vals. \$1.50 **70c**
- Your choice of any Coat or Jacket in the house; values \$27.50; Wednesday and Thursday at special price, only... **\$7.95**

Merchant Tailoring Dept. Men's Suits to Order

We are making hundreds of them and can make hundreds more. If you need a suit **YOU CAN HELP US** By Giving in an Order—And Notice. We have a special proposition on men's suits whereby you can get two for one. For information regarding this apply in person to the manager of this company, Mr. J. M. Acheson.

CONFLICT ON STAND

Witnesses Tell Opposing Stories in Trial.

ROBBERY IS THE CHARGE

Convict Testifies That Elmer Wills Assisted in Hold-Up of E. J. Maxwell on East Side Last Spring.

That one or more witnesses perjured themselves in testifying before a jury in Judge Bronnough's department of the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon was apparent, for their statements were directly at variance. The case on trial was that of the state against Elmer Wills, alias Elmer Johnson. He was charged with having assisted in holding up and robbing E. J. Maxwell, on the night of March 17, last year, on the Southern Pacific tracks near their intersection with Hawthorne avenue.

When placed upon the witness stand, Maxwell said he was on his way home between 9 and 10 o'clock that night, when he saw two men standing near the path he usually took, so he took to the railroad track, going south. The men pounced upon him, put a revolver to his head and took all his coin.

George Fraser, 30 years old, was convicted of the crime and sentenced to the State Penitentiary to serve a term of from five to 20 years. He was brought to Portland to testify yesterday, and said that Wills was with him, and that the two then jumped on a train for Roseburg.

Wills' testimony was to the effect that the night before the hold-up he passed Maxwell's cabin while on his way to get a change of clothing, as he was working on the steamer Northwest at the time. The steamer plies between Portland and Kelo. Wills said that on the night of the hold-up he was in Kelo. He said that on the night of March 16, Fisher and the "Seattle Kid" were hanging about Maxwell's hut, ready to "pull off the job." Wills also told of an occasion when Maxwell drew forth considerable money in the presence of the couple at the Rheinpfalz Hotel. He said the reason Fraser had testified against him was because there was "bad blood" between them. He referred to a visit paid him at Gaston by Detectives Jones and Tichenor, and said they offered him a light sentence if he would plead guilty. James Lee, a farmer living 30 miles northwest of Gaston, confirmed Wills' testimony with reference to the detectives' offer. Mr. Tichenor, how-

ever, referred to Lee as having "21 indictments against him."

Mrs. Johnson, Wills' mother, said her son had worked for Storey & Brooks and on the North Bank road. She testified as to her son's good conduct.

Wills, who is 19 years old, was arrested at Gaston in January. Deputy Seabrook was in the midst of the closing argument when the hour for adjournment came last night. The case will probably go to the jury this morning.

SET DATE FOR ROSS' HEARING

Manning Will Appear Today Before Salem Court.

District Attorney Manning said yesterday that the indicted officials of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company will be given a speedy trial. He will go to Salem today to ask that the date be set for the trial of J. Thoburn Ross. This case will be tried first, because Mr. Ross has asked for a trial separate from T. T. Burkhardt and John E. Alchison. Mr. Manning will take with him the original papers filed in the bank cases, duplicates having been made by the County Clerk to keep in Multnomah County.

FATHER AND SON ARE GUILTY

Plead Together When Confronted With Larceny Charge.

Believing that further protestation of their innocence would be unsuccessful, Richard Baugh and R. H. Baugh, father and son, yesterday pleaded guilty before Judge Cleland. A charge of larceny had been filed against the son, while the father was accused of receiving stolen property. They will be sentenced Thursday at 2 P. M.

Auto Owner Must Pay.

Fred S. Chapman was awarded \$400 damages by a jury in Judge Bronnough's department of the Circuit Court yesterday in the suit brought by him against J. B. Kelly. The plaintiff alleged that Kelly's automobile flew down the Linnton road at the rate of 30 miles an hour, frightening his horse so that he reared up, fell down and died. Chapman sued to recover \$529.55.

Southern Pacific Made Defendant.

The Northern Pacific Terminal Company is no longer a party to the suit of Richard Shields for \$20,000 damages. Judge O'Day granted the motion for a nonsuit yesterday. In case Shields is allowed damages for being struck by an engine at the foot of the stairway leading to the upper deck of the Steel Bridge, the Southern Pacific Company will be defendant in the case.

Tomorrow and Friday will positively be the last days for discount on West Side gas bills. Portland Gas Company.

Free candy with children's shoes at Rosenthal's, Seventh and Washington.

WILL BUILD BIG DRYDOCK

NEW COMPANY ANNOUNCES CONSTRUCTION IN PORTLAND.

Plant to Accommodate Vessels Up to 3500 Tons Will Be Installed This Summer.

A new floating drydock designed for the accommodation of vessels ranging up to about 3500 net tons, is to be constructed in Portland Harbor this summer. This important addition to present facilities of this sort will be undertaken by the Oregon Drydock Company, recently incorporated by W. H. Corbett, W. C. Alvord, William L. Brewster and Alvin Boody.

The prospectus of the company, which has just been issued, states very convincingly that proper provision for docking and repair of vessels of the class named has become a positive necessity at this port, figures being quoted from the tonnage statistics of the port which show that not only has the net tonnage of all entering vessels increased from 452,432 tons in 1904 to \$43,245 tons in 1907, but that over 90 per cent of all vessels which this large tonnage represents are of 500 net tons or more, no account being taken of an already numerous river and harbor fleet.

Mention is made of the inability of the large Port of Portland dock to care for vessels of this class at proportionately reasonable charges, it being clearly ex-

plained that docks of large size must be operated at their maximum capacity, or nearly so, in order that a fair degree of operating economy may be attained. That a drydock should be, so far as possible, conveniently located and equipped for all classes of repair work is fully gone into and the manner in which the new dock will meet these requirements could not be more complete.

It will be built and operated alongside the ship dock of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, the latter company to provide all extraordinary labor and equipment necessary for the operation of the drydock. By this arrangement the new dock will be supplied with a complete outfit of heavy lifting and hoisting machinery, air compressors, electric light and power, in fact every device which may be required for the prompt and economical dispatch of ship repair.

The construction of this dock will undoubtedly add greatly to the reputation of Portland as a shipping point, it being far behind in its facilities of this character when compared with other cities which do not, or but slightly, exceed it in importance as a maritime center. Seattle and other Coast cities have been more alive to the necessity for shipping conveniences of this sort, and it this city is to maintain the commercial position it now occupies and is to expect a continuance of the growth of this sort which it has recently enjoyed, convenient and adequate accommodations for docking and repairing vessels which form such an important proportion of its total shipping tonnage must be provided.

Ogden, Utah.—An extra west-bound freight train was surrounded at Lugin about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning and a refrigerator car loaded with meat was broken open and robbed of a large number of hams, bacon and meat. The trainmen were utterly unable to cope with the horde of robbers.

GREEKS TURN ON FOREMAN

FRANK M'GEE STOPS ATTACK WITH REVOLVER.

Foreign Workmen, When Dismissed, Grab Picks and Cause Sensation in Front of the Postoffice.

What promised to develop into a well-defined riot broke out on Sixth street, in front of the Postoffice annex, early yesterday morning, when Frank McGee, foreman of the street improvement gang now operating at that point, dismissed half a dozen Greek laborers from service.

Declaring that there was prejudice against them, a large number of the Greek workmen joined the men who had been discharged in a discussion of the incident, and violence must have been decided on, for several of the Greeks, seizing picks, rushed at McGee.

The foreman, who has but one arm, ran at first before the maddened foreigners, but was being outstripped when he turned, whipped out a revolver and kept them off by threatening to kill the first man that approached him. They hovered about for a time and then withdrew, looking for advice to an Americanized member of their race. They were told not to attempt violence again, but to resort to the law in event of being unjustly treated.

One of the Greeks, Rade Dymovic, went later to the police station and complained of McGee's conduct in threatening them with a revolver. He was referred to

Deputy City Attorney Tomlinson, who issued a warrant for McGee's arrest on a charge of exhibiting a deadly weapon.

On being arrested McGee said he had been threatened on Monday by the Greeks, who had taken a dislike to him. For that reason he had provided himself

with the revolver, fearing an attack which he could not ward off in his crippled condition. He put up \$100 bail for appearance in court today.

A foggy day in London means that the residents are compelled to run up a gas bill of from \$30,000 to \$75,000.

SWIFT
SPENDING MILLIONS
ON THE PENINSULA
ATTEND "LOVELEIGH" OPENING
TOMORROW

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This week only. This elegant strictly high-grade solid oak stool, finished golden or weathered oak, upholstered in genuine leather, Boston leather, or verona velour. A very fine seat for hall or parlor, it is 18 inches high and seat is 16x18 inches. The real value of this stool is \$3.00. Your choice this week at **\$1.75** Cash.

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