EXTORTION LANDS JENNINGS IN CELL

Demands $275 of William Beckett for Stealing His Wife's Affections.

POLICE THEN TAKE HAND

Mrs. Alice McCleury Found in Church With Five Empty Whisky Flasks Neatly Arranged Before the Altar.

Painful and humiliating as the process must have been, William Beckett, head of a family residing at Vernon, went to the police station early yesterday morning and caused the arrest of Elmer Jennings, with whose wife Beckett had been carrying on a desperate flirtation for some weeks past. By occasioning Jennings' arrest Beckett got out of paying $275 which he had promised Jennings as compensation for stolen affections. Attempting to extort money by means of blackmail was the charge preferred by the Vernon Lothario against the husband of the woman he admired.

The arrest of the husband came as the climax to a clandestine romance which began at the Baltimore restaurant three weeks ago and all but led to a tragedy at Oregon City on Monday night. Located in that thriving if somewhat quiet place by the irate husband, Beckett and Mrs. Jennings were threatened with all manner of dire calamity until Beckett finally signified a willingness to settle in cash and Jennings accepted the offer with no little alacrity. He had only $10 in cash with him. This was taken greedily, after which Beckett signed an agreement to pay a balance of $275 at 11 A. M. Tuesday.

Beckett met the woman in the Baltimore restaurant, where she was working as a waitress. He was in the habit of taking his lunch in the place, and, being struck by the appearance of Mrs. Jennings, Beckett began tipping her liberally and eventually invited her to go out with him, so the police have learned.

Both parties to the romance being duly married, Oregon City was selected as the most secure destination for little afternoon trolley rides. Now, whether Mrs. Jennings informed her husband of the affair and collaborated with him to entrap Beckett or whether the husband became suspicious and followed them of his own accord nothing is known by the police. The husband found them together late Monday night at Oregon City, and he made Beckett feel he was lucky in getting off alive.

Beckett says the husband rifled his pockets, taking $10, and then forced him to sign an agreement to pay $275, but this Jennings denies, saying the offer was voluntary. He was out of employment on account of an injured hand, and needed the money badly. Beckett is reputed to be quite well-to-do.

Sixth and Washington streets was the point named for delivering the blackmail money, and 11 A. M. was settled on as the hour for delivery. Unless Beckett produced at that hour he was to be severely dealt with, so he was told. He promised to meet the husband and a friend and pay up. He kept the appointment promptly enough, but $275 is quite a sum to part with because of a flirtation, so Beckett must have figured, for instead of the money he took Patrolman Craddock along. Jennings was arrested while "holding the sack."

"I should have killed the gentleman," said Jennings when taken to the station, only instead of using the term gentleman he substituted a series of descriptive phrases which cannot possibly be reproduced here. "I gave him a chance and this is the result. He is—" And Jennings again lapsed into futile vituperation.

A few minutes later Mrs. Jennings was located by Detectives Price and Hyde, and she, too, was taken in, a charge of vagrancy being placed against her, since it could only be surmised that she had played other than an innocent part in her husband's demand for a monetary settlement. Both were locked up in default of bail to await a hearing.

Sitting in profound contemplation before the altar of St. Joseph's Church, at Fifteenth and Couch streets, late yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Alice McCleury reflected upon her many sins for a brief half hour when her period of remorse was broken by the entrance of the police.

Mrs. McCleury was so drunk that she wabbled even as she sat. She was so drunk that her prayers fell in thickened meaningless stammering. She was as drunk, in fact, as the contents of five flasks of whisky could make her and oddly enough she had them arranged before the altar.

It was only a drunken fancy, this action of the woman's. She must have been attracted by the open doors of an edifice once known to her but now quite strange. She was drunk when she took advantage of the temporary absence of the janitor and church attendants and slipped inside; rather staggered inside, judging from her condition. The attendant found her very shortly in a most devout posture, although she was not kneeling. With her bleared eyes concentrated on the handsome altar, she was muttering her drunken prayers. She paid no attention to the efforts of an attendant to interrupt her.

Finding it impossible to remove Mrs. McCleury from the place of worship without force, the attendant telephoned to the police station and Patrolman Evans was sent out. He found the woman in the same attitude in which she had been discovered half an hour earlier. The attendant told him Mrs. McCleury had moved but once in all that time and that was for the purpose of sipping a little whisky from a bottle that was not quite empty.

"Come on; you will have to leave here," the officer said to the unwelcome worshipper.

"I stay right here until the service is over," Mrs. McCleury protested, rising above her stupor but decorating her speech with drunken accent. "The spirit brought me here and I must stay. But touch me and God will strike you dead."

The officer gazed meaningly at the five bottles of spirit but refrained from levity on Mrs. McCleury's suggestion. And braving her threat of wrath he laid hold of her and, as gently as possible, assisted her from the church to a nice, comfortable and unbegrudged pew in the city patrol wagon.

"It was really a shame to take her out," Captain Moore suggested when the procession reached the station. "It was the first time, no doubt, that poor old Mrs. McCleury has been to church since she was a little girl—and very likely the last time."

The wildest Indian that ever ran amuck on firewater in Portland was routed yesterday afternoon by a small and seemingly harmless individual who was in cold-storage at the City Jail following his initiation into a local lodge.

It took five policemen to quell the redskin, Abe Logan, from the Siletz reservation. In order to get him into a cell one officer was hitched to each leg, one to each arm, while another held his head. Once inside he tried to kick the place to pieces and falling in that set out to gnaw the three-inch steel bars.

Several hours later Henry Heisenbotel, who had just escaped from the Turkish baths after a night spent at a certain lodge, which had initiated him, was brought along for staggering up Washington street. The arresting officer, O'Brien, took the victim into the jail and unwittingly put him in the "drunk corridor" with the bellicose Indian.

Patrolman O'Brien then reported his arrest to Captain Moore out in the station and at the same moment there was a loud commotion in the jail.

"You didn't put your man in with that man-eating Indian?" exclaimed the Captain, turning pale.

O'Brien admitted that he had and there was a simultaneous rush of station officers for the jail, where the commotion was momentarily growing louder.

Fearing that they would have to call the Coroner to remove Heisenbotel's mangled remains from the Indian's cell, the officers were not prepared for the scene that met their view. As they rushed into the jail it was to behold the wild Indian hanging in abject fear from the top of the cell, monkey like, while Heisenbotel, spluttering with rage and pride of conquest, was daring the Indian to venture down for just one minute.

"I'm a ——," the officers heard him hiss, expletting the name of his lodge, "and we eat fellows like you every day."

MISSION BOARD TO MEET

SOCIETY OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CONVENES.

Representatives of Organization From Pacific Northwest Gather for Two-Day Session.

Beginning this morning at 9:30 o'clock, the 20th annual meeting of the Woman's North Pacific Presbyterian Board of Missions will convene in the First Presbyterian Church. The organization is composed of 150 societies, located in various parts of the Pacific Northwest. There will be 50 or more delegates in attendance from Washington, Alaska, Idaho and Eastern Oregon.

At this morning's session, Rev. Charles E. Bradt, of Chicago, will deliver an address. Reports will be rendered by the recording secretary and the treasurer. The officers of the board are:

President, Mrs. W. S. Ladd; associate president, Mrs. E. P. Mossman; associate secretaries, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. J. W. Goss, Mrs. J. V. Milligan, Miss Caroline Strong, Miss Mary Louise McGaw, Mrs. W. S. Holt, Mrs. E. C. Protzman, Mrs. M. R. Andrews, Mrs. C. R. Templeton, Mrs. E. P. Geary, Miss Mabel Goss, Mrs. W. J. Honeyman, Mrs. J. B. Eagleson, Mrs. C. W. Hays; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Goss; auditor, W. R. Mackenzie.

The following missionaries are supported by the board: Mrs. W. S. Holt, Portland, Or.; Mrs. Eva Ballis Douglas, Resht, Persia; Miss Elizabeth Carruthers, Lakawn, Laos; Miss Eula Van Vranken, Lakawn, Laos; Miss Maud E. Allen, M. D., Ferozepore, India; Miss Eliza E. Leonard, M. D., Pekin, China; Miss J. J. Gudger, Walnut Spring (P. O. Marshall, N. C.); Miss Helen W. Clark, Neah Bay, Wash.; Rev. J. A. Savage, Franklinton, N. C.; Rev. Albert Reed, Riceville, N. C.; Miss Laura B. Stumbaugh, Ferron, Utah.

Following is the programme for today's sessions:

Morning, 9:30 to 12—Opening devotion, topic, "Lord, Teach Us How to Pray," led by Mrs. W. H. Foulkes, of Portland; meeting called to order by the president, Mrs. W. S. Ladd; appointment of committees. Reports: Recording secretary, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; box secretary; secretary for united study, Miss Mabel Goss; secretary for literature, Mrs. E. C. Protzman; address, Rev. Charles E. Bradt, Ph. D., of Chicago; treasurer's report, Mrs. J. W. Goss; reading of minutes.

Afternoon, 1:30 to 4 o'clock—Opening devotions, topic, "The Voice of the Lord," led by Mrs. J. F. Main, of Seattle. Reports: Secretary for the Y. P. S. C. E., juniors and bands, Miss Mary Louise McGaw; secretary for women's societies, Mrs. J. V. Milligan; secretary for correspondence with missionaries, Miss Caroline Strong; address, Pacific Coast field secretary, Miss Julia Frazer; open parliament, topic, "Methods of Auxiliary Work," led by Miss Julia Hatch; reading of minutes; prayer.

Popular meeting, 8 o'clock, Rev. E. M. Sharp, D. D., presiding; prelude, E. E. Coursen; Scripture reading and prayer; solo, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Mrs. Rose Coursen Reed; address, Rev. W. H. Foulkes, D. D.; benediction.

Thursday morning, 9:30 to 12 o'clock—Devotions, led by Mrs. A. N. Smith, of Spokane. Reports: Traveling library committee, Mrs. M. R. Andrews; secretary for magazines, Mrs. C. R. Templeton; Westminster guild, Mrs. E. P. Geary; address, Miss Helen Clark, of Neah Bay; reports, committee on place of meeting; committee on nominations; election of officers; reading of minutes; prayer.

Thursday afternoon, 1:30 to 4 o'clock—Devotions, topic, "Be Approved Workmen," led by Mrs. Charles A. Park, of Salem; anniversary hour; "Glimpses of Twenty Years," Mrs. J. V. Milligan; solo, Mrs. Fletcher Linn; greeting from early members of the board; review of work of Chinese Home, Ah Won (Mrs. Edward Kan); address, Rev. W. S. Holt, D. D.; song, by Chinese children; offering; report, committee on resolutions; summary, Mrs. E. P. Mossman; closing remarks, Mrs. W. S. Ladd; benediction.

LAY CORNER-STONE TODAY

Y. W. C. A. Exercises at 5:30 This Afternoon.

The cornerstone of the new Y. W. C. A. building, at Sixth and Taylor streets, will be laid this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, with appropriate ceremonies. It is desired by those in charge that all the women in the city who are interested in the institution assemble at the headquarters at Sixth and Oak streets and march in a body to the site on Sixth and Taylor streets. Dr. William Hiram Foulkes will preside.

The following short programme will be rendered: Prayer, Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher; address, Bishop Charles Scadding; placing of the box, Mrs. W. S. Kinney; laying of the cornerstone, Mrs. W. J. Honeyman; benediction, Dr. Luther R. Dyott. Music will be furnished by a chorus choir of 25 voices, under the direction of William Wilder.

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INDIANS GET LIQUOR

Federal Witnesses Too Drunk to Testify.

MAY RESULT IN ARRESTS

Judge Wolverton Intimates That if Saloonkeepers Who Sold Whisky Are Identified They Will Be Punished.

Portland saloonkeepers who are in the habit of selling whisky to Indians who are witnesses in cases on trial before Judge Wolverton, in the United States Court, are in a fair way of making lots of trouble for themselves. During the trial of Larkey Logan, a Siletz Indian, Attorney Mendenhall, who is defending Logan, informed the court that because several of the witnesses for the defense were in a state of intoxication, he was forced to ask to be excused from calling them to the stand until this morning.

Judge Wolverton refused to grant the request, and inquired of the attorneys if they knew where the Indians were getting the liquor. He intimated that if he could find who had sold the Indians the whisky, he would see that those who sold it were punished for obstructing justice. United States Attorney McCourt, who is conducting the prosecution, held a whispered conference with deputies from United States Marshal Reed's office, and the next saloonkeeper caught selling whisky to Uncle Sam's wards will be arrested.

Logan is on trial charged with having stabbed William Garnier to death on the night of March 18, last. Logan has been in trouble frequently, and once before was in court on the charge of stabbing another Indian. By the testimony brought out by the Government, it seems that Logan was caught in the act of breaking into Mrs. Howard Garnier's trunk, and in a free-for-all fight that followed, Logan had used his knife on Garnier, who died several days later. The Government rested its case during the afternoon, and when Attorneys Mendenhall and Swope, of Toledo, called their witnesses, they found that several of them were so drunk they could not testify intelligently, and that one or two were in the City Jail.

During the morning, while selecting the jury, Henry Wingate, a retired grocer, asked to be excused because he informed Judge Wolverton that should anything horrible be presented during the trial he would faint. Mr. Wingate was summoned as one of the jurors. He also informed the Court that he was opposed to capital punishment and circumstantial evidence. He was excused.

REFUSED TO TEND THE BABY

Besides, Wife Complains, Husband Pinched and Kicked Her.

In a suit for divorce, filed in the Circuit Court yesterday, Mrs. Anna Cahill says that Roscoe W. Cahill refused to tend the baby when she asked him to, and instead, pinched her until the blood ran. When she cried, she says, he kicked her, and told her to "Take that; it is good enough for you." The pinching episode occurred June 20, 1907, says Mrs. Cahill, while she and her husband, who is but 19 years old, were in the yard of her parents' country home near Newberg. She says they had gone to Newberg to attend the commencement exercises of the college there.

Mrs. Cahill says that in July, last year, her husband was working as a streetcar man, but that he is now taking a course in the medical department of the University of Oregon at his mother's expense. She says that she and her husband lived for a time with his mother in Yamhill County, and that while there he threw her to the floor and planted his foot on her stomach, refusing to let her up. She also tells of another time when he threw her to the floor and kicked her. Mrs. Cahill is 20 years old.

In June, 1907, continues the complaint, Mrs. Cahill was telephoning to a girl friend regarding a social function which both were to attend. She informed her friend, it is alleged, that Roscoe would not accompany her. During this time the husband was lying on the sofa nearby. He is said to have jumped up and jerked the receiver from his wife, to tell the friend that what his wife said was a lie.

Mrs. Cahill says that as her mother-in-law is worth $40,000, and is sending Roscoe to school, Mrs. Cahill is entitled to $50 a month alimony while the suit is pending, a reasonable sum as permanent alimony when the divorce is granted, besides $150 attorney's fees.

The couple were married in Portland, October 21, 1906. The child, Otto William Cahill, was born the following December, and Mrs. Cahill says her husband began to mistreat her within six months of the wedding day.

ADMITS HE ROBBED WOMAN

M. L. Taft Confesses to Crime at Arleta Few Weeks Ago.

M. L. Taft, alias the "Dirty-Faced Kid," has confessed to Sheriff Stevens that he robbed Mrs. Fred Anderson at her home in Arleta several weeks ago. Jack Turpin, who had been suspected of complicity in the crime, has also confessed. Sheriff Stevens and Deputy Sheriff Archie Leonard have been at work on the case since the hold-up. The loss of Taft's hat in making his hurried escape led to his capture.

This revolver used by Taft, an old nickel-plated but rusty affair, with a broken sight and high hammer, was found in a drawer of Ruby Wilson's room in a hotel at First and Madison streets. It is 32-caliber, and every chamber was loaded when it was found. Mrs. Fred Anderson has positively identified it as the weapon used by the hold-up man on the night of March 28.

When arrested, Taft was in the company of the Wilson girl, who is but 17 years old. She secured a divorce in the Circuit Court last Friday from Ed Wilson. Taft said the reason he made the Arleta hold-up was in order to obtain money with which to take Mrs. Wilson's baby from the home in which it had been placed after being taken to the Baby Home. She has been held in the County Jail as a witness against Taft. The latter has served two terms in the Oregon Penitentiary, and a two years' term at Alcatraz Island, San Francisco Bay.

Turpin was also held as a witness, as he told a rambling story of how Taft confessed to him that he unsuccessfully held up a residence in Arleta. The disconnected way in which Turpin told his story led the Sheriff to believe that he had a part in the hold-up.

Will Decide Barber Law.

When a decision is rendered in the case of the state against M. E. Loss, the constitutionality of the Oregon barber license law will have been determined. The case comes to trial today in the Circuit Court. It is the contention of Loss that the police power of the state does not extend to the prevention of a person doing that which in no way interferes with the public health or safety. Loss was tried before a lower court for running a barber shop on Sixth street, and fined $25. He appealed the case. A. E. Clark is his attorney, while Deputy District Attorney Stevenson is prosecuting the case.

Insurance Company Pays.

Mary Conway was awarded $857.20 damages yesterday by a jury in Judge Gantenbein's department of the Circuit Court. She sued to recover $805 with interest on this amount from August, 1905, from Joseph E. Cronan. Father T. E. McDevitt testified that he advised Mrs. Conway to invest her money through Mr. Cronan in the Queen City Insurance Company. Mrs. Conway said that she put the money into Cronan's hands for safe-keeping. The Queen City Insurance Company went out of business at the time of the San Francisco earthquake and fire, in April, 1906.

Sealed Verdict Returned.

The case of Hattie Dornsife against L. O. Ralston went to the jury in Judge O'Day's department of the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon and a sealed verdict was returned last night. It will be read this morning.

Mrs. Dornsife sued to recover $10,000 damages on the assertion that Ralston threw her against a barbed wire. Testimony was to the effect that he was placing the wire about a lot in which he intended to pasture a cow, but that he used no violence against the woman. The arguments of the attorneys were heard yesterday afternoon.

Sentence Is Withheld.

After a long argument with the attorney for Roy Summers, Judge Bronaugh withheld sentence yesterday. Summers was recently convicted of larceny from a dwelling. He can be sentenced to the Penitentiary for from one to seven years. It was the endeavor of Summers' attorney to have his client paroled, motion for a new trial having been withdrawn. The District Attorney has dismissed another information which charged Summers with theft.

Sues for $5000 Damages.

Gregory E. and Annie Louise Matlen have filed suit in the Circuit Court against B. E. Clements and S. Y. Davidor, and others, to recover $5000 damages. It is alleged that three lots in the Third Electric Addition to Portland were verbally transferred to the Matlens. An injunction is asked, which will prevent the defendants from further transferring the property.

Says Pictures Are Indecent.

In informations filed with the Circuit Court yesterday, District Attorney Manning alleges that Fred Fritz and J. Ruffal have been exhibiting indecent pictures in the machines installed in waiting-rooms of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, at First and Alder streets. Their bond was fixed at $500.

Hanan shoes fit the feet. Rosenthal's.

TRAIN TO TOUCHET

Demonstration Special Leaves Pullman May 5.

EDUCATE THE FARMERS

Agricultural College Instructors to Lecture on Diversification and Other Subjects Interesting to Agricultural Population.

Arrangements have been completed for the farmers' demonstration train, that will be run through the Walla Walla and Touchet valleys, by the O. R. & N. Lectures and the demonstration of farming methods will be given for the benefit of the residents of the districts the train will cover.

The train is being run under the direction of R. B. Miller, general freight agent for the Harriman lines in this territory. Mr. Miller is enthusiastic on the subject of introducing improved methods of farming throughout the Inland Empire, where, he contends, wasteful methods of Summer fallow are in vogue.

It is the purpose of Mr. Miller in running these demonstration trains to introduce the diversification of crops and to educate the farmers to the use of all their land every season instead of leaving half of their fields idle each year as they do under the Summer fallow system.

The demonstration train is being run with the co-operation of the Washington Agricultural College at Pullman, whose professors will accompany the train and deliver lectures on the subject of improved farming.

The train will leave Pullman, Wash., May 5, at 8 A. M., arriving at Pomeroy, at 2:20 P. M., where the train will remain two hours. Tuesday, May 6, the train will arrive at Alto at 8:30 A. M., remaining 30 minutes. The train will reach Dayton, at 10:15 o'clock, remaining 2 hours and 15 minutes; Huntsville, 12:50 P. M., remaining one hour; Waitsburg, 2 P. M., remaining two hours; Prescott, 4:30 P. M., remaining one hour; Walla Walla, 6:25 P. M. Walla Walla will be reached either on the night of Tuesday, May 6, or on the following morning and from Walla Walla the train will go to Touchet. It is probable that the train will run back to Walla Walla after the trip to Touchet but the details of the end of the trip have not yet been worked out.

HARRIMAN ROAD NAMES BOARD

Stockholders of Oregon & California Hold Annual Meeting.

Stockholders of the Oregon & California Railroad Company met in the directors' room, of the Harriman lines, in the Wells-Fargo building, yesterday, and re-elected the directors for another year. The meeting was the regular annual one and the only matter taken up was the election of directors. The following were chosen: J. P. O'Brien, W. W. Cotton, W. E. Coman, P. F. Dunne, W. D. Fenton, L. R. Fields, E. H. Harriman, H. E. Huntington.

The directors will meet next Monday at the Portland headquarters and choose officers. It is regarded as settled that the present officers will be re-elected. They are: President, E. H. Harriman; first vice-president, J. P. O'Brien; second vice-president, R. Koehler; secretary, W. W. Cotton; treasurer, A. K. Vandevanter; assistant secretary, Alexander Millar, and assistant treasurer, C. H. Redington.

Take Household Goods.

Henry E. Roberts, charged with stealing a cooking range worth $35, a heating stove worth $5, a set of springs and a mattress, $8, and numerous other household effects, entered a plea of not guilty before Judge Cleland, in the Circuit Court, yesterday. The date of his trial has not been set. M. L. Crawford pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing a piano, worth $225, from Martin Johnson. The theft is said to have occurred March 2. The case was set for trial May 8.

MARQUAM CASE IS UP AGAIN

Former Owner of Property Still Makes Fight.

Whether or not F. A. Marquam can file in the Circuit Court a second amended complaint against the United States Mortgage & Trust Company, the defunct Title Bank, and J. Thorburn Ross, will be decided this morning by Judge Cleland. He will also pass upon Marquam's answer to the petition of the defendants that Marquam be enjoined from taking the depositions of Ross and others. Marquam is endeavoring to obtain evidence upon which the court can base a decision, giving him the right to redeem a mortgage on the Marquam building, which was foreclosed by the defendants. Marquam alleges that this foreclosure was illegal.

A full list of the cases in which motions and demurrers are to be decided by Judge Cleland this morning, is as follows:

Anna Allshouse against Thomas Grant, motion to strike out parts of reply.

Thomas H. Brown against Lydia E. Hiatt, motion to strike out parts of answer.

Emma Stanley against Joseph Ellis, demurrer to amended complaint.

Modern Mining Machinery Company against American Surety Company, motion to make complaint more definite and certain, and to strike out parts of complaint.

P. A. Marquam against the United States Mortgage & Trust Company et al., motion to file second amended complaint; answer to petition.

Charles Du Bois against Suburban Lumber Company, demurrer to complaint.

Moy Bow Wong against Carrie Howe, et al., motion to make answer more definite and certain.

Emma Godfrey against S. F. Sinclair, demurrer to supplemental plea in abatement.

Henrietta Magone against Portland Manufacturing Company, demurrer to four separate and two amended answers.

Dan R. Murphy against C. D. Danaher, demurrer to amended complaint.

Flour City Ornamental Iron Works against Rothschild Brothers, demurrer to complaint.

City Laundry against E. F. Smith, motion to dissolve injunction.

Hallie Buoy against James M. Level, et al., demurrer to complaint.

Minnie M. Kane against Joseph W. W. Kane, motion to grant temporary alimony.

Marshall Wells Hardware Company against Multnomah County, demurrer to amended complaint.

Lena J. Eaton against Garrett J. Eaton, on the merits.

Becomes Presiding Judge.

Judge Gantenbein becomes presiding judge of the Circuit Court at 9:30 this morning. For the past year Judge Cleland has been the presiding judge, but his time expires this morning, and Judge Gantenbein is the next in order. He will hold the place for a year. Judge Gantenbein now has his Circuit Court duties to attend to, besides those of the Juvenile Court and the presiding Judgeship. Judge Cleland will be trial judge for the remainder of his term.

Wants Large Interest.

The Eastern Investment Company has brought suit for Rachel L. Hawthorne, against Frist Hein, to recover $1489.22 interest on a $566 note made June 9, 1891. It is alleged that during all this time nothing has been paid on the note. The total amount sued for is $2205.22 and $150 attorney's fees.

Y. W. C. A. CONTEST ENDS

Many New Members Brought Into the Association.

Perhaps the most enthusiastic gathering that has ever been held at the Young Women's Christian Association convened there last night, closing the "nip and tuck" contest. A musical programme was rendered. Miss Bessie Bridwell played Gregg's "Spring Song." Miss Laura Cleland, accompanied by Miss Stone, sang. Miss Marie Connor played the violin. Miss Frances Gill being her accompanist. Miss Zeta Hollister sang "A Chain of Roses." Miss Inez Bushnell played a flute solo.

Miss Frances Gage made a brief address on the splendid work the association is doing in the United States in lifting the standards of womanhood. Miss Helena Saxton read a carefully prepared history of the association which is to go into the cornerstone. Miss Saxton was chosen to write this history because she is the only secretary who has been in the service of the association since its beginning, seven years ago.

The report of the contest, given by Miss Chandler, the membership secretary, was as follows: Nips, 166 members and 184 points, Tucks, 131 members and 143 points, making a total of 297 members brought in during the contest, which began April 1. The total membership on the list for the cornerstone now reaches 1712.

WARNS UNWARY VOTERS

Hints That Plutocrats Support Single Tax Agitation.

PORTLAND, April 13.—(To the Editor.)—The singletaxers are making a vigorous campaign in support of their assault upon the unearned increment, and it will be well for those who own that form of property to be duly on guard. They concede in their arguments that their purpose is to absorb with taxes all the earning power of the land, leaving the proprietor merely a tenant of the state. This of course leaps the limit between "unearned increment" and earned increment and takes it all. It could hardly be expected that hobby-riders displaying the utter recklessness of all facts opposing their position, and of the common elemental axioms of equal justice, should respect so fine a distinction as that between "unearned increment" and earned increment.

The Socialist takes no pains to hide his snarl or sheathe his claws. The single-taxer is more artful, but while they acknowledge no kin, they are both stalking the same victim for the same purpose, and if that victim falls, they will both join in the feast.

Has it occurred to any unwary voter that there is more behind the prevalence of the cult of the single tax than the mere enthusiasm of the altruist? Has he thought of the hundreds of thousands of dollars of taxation that would be saved to wealthy investors and the possibility that from this source comes the prompt and energetic campaigning that furnishes the weekly leaflets of such wide diffusion, and the daily arguments in the newspapers? Special interests are always more active, unfortunately, than common interests.

Those who would force the land-owner to bear all the tax are apparently well financed. They have their publication bureau, attorneys, pleaders; their argument appears in the circular disseminated by the state; but no one has taken the trouble to present a negative.

If this is due to reliance on the conservatism of the Oregon voter, I would warn them that is misplaced. Many voters are angry at the new levies on personal property of the small householder, caused by the over-zeal of meddlesome servants of the large taxpayers in the Legislature and some fee-monger in Southern Oregon who forced the issue upon the Supreme Court. As a measure of poetic justice the fellows who engineered that folly should have the single tax, but I hope that in the interest of common justice and those good citizens whose independence rests on a generous ownership of land, and those whose bright dream it is to become so situated that the tax exemption measure will fail—for on this class rests the virtue and permanence of our state.

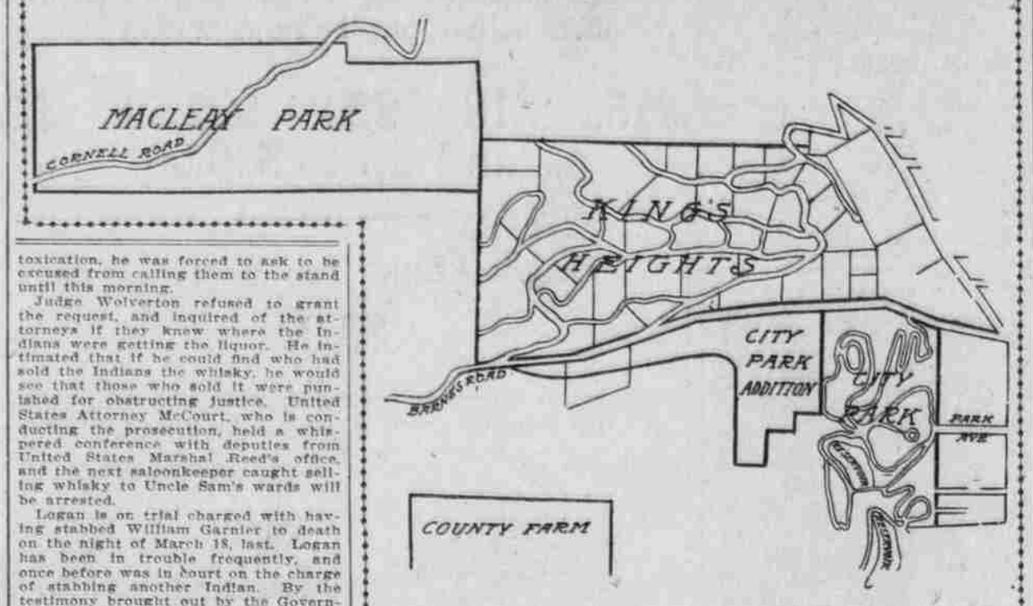
J. B. ZIEGLER.

Democrats Hold Rally.

The East Side Democratic Club will hold a rally in the Oddfellows' Hall at Grand avenue and Pine streets Thursday night. The meeting will be addressed by the Democratic candidates for Congress from the First District and E. S. J. McAllister, president of the club, will preside.

ROGER R. SINNOTT—34.
For District Attorney.
"Indict by Grand Jury."

PARK BOARD WILL PETITION COUNCIL TO PURCHASE TWENTY ACRES TO ADD TO CITY PARK



MAP SHOWING CITY PARK, AND THE PROPOSED CITY PARK ADDITION, AND THEIR PROXIMITY TO MACLEAY PARK.

The Park Board has under consideration a magnificent undertaking, which will eventually give the city a splendid park system, if the co-operation of the Council can be secured. A petition will be presented, perhaps at the next meeting of the Council, seeking action by that body for the purchase of 20 acres, contained in the King estate, a tract near the City Park. It is the object of the board to acquire this ground, which is mostly open, and thereby to greatly enlarge the park.

Most of the grounds in the City Park are covered with trees, roses and various kinds of shrubbery, so that the walks and drives are virtually the only standing room to be had. A large crowd seeking pleasure and recreation therein is forced, therefore, to remain nearly all of the time on the several cement or graded walks. It is the intention of the Park Board, should the 20-acre tract in the King estate be acquired, to add this largely for accommodation to the visiting public, so as to relieve the frequently congested condition of the present park. Even now it is hardly large enough to furnish proper room for the large throngs, and in future years, it is argued, the need for additional space will be felt many fold.

There are 40 acres of ground in the present City Park. The Water Board owns 60 acres jdts south of the south line of the City Park, and it is believed by the members of the Park Board that to acquire the additional 20 acres in the King estate would give to the city a great plenty of ground at the site named. A system of boulevards, as shown in the accompanying map, have been outlined by the board, and if the plans are realized, will give access to Macleay Park, to the north, thus connecting by these driveways two of the principal parks of the city. It is also designed to work out boulevards running south, and by connection with the Barnes road, a continuous highway will be formed from Macleay Park with points south to the County Hospital.

The hillside, contained in the territory specified, is said by experts to afford opportunity for one of the most handsome park and boulevard systems in America. In order that these natural resources may be developed and the public be given the benefit of this, the Park Board desires to secure at once the 20-acre tract in the King estate.

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