

TRAIN HELD UP; EXPRESS CAR LOOTED

O. R. & N. Passenger Robbed 8 Miles From City.

CRIME DONE BY FOUR MEN

Robbers Cut the Train in Two, Dynamite Car and Make Messenger Open Safe.

PASSENGERS NOT MOLESTED

Desperadoes Get Contents of Strong Box—Value Small.

MASK WORN BY ONLY ONE

Express Messenger Huff Robbed of \$3—Few Valuables Carried by This Train—Fireman Tells Story of Hold-up.

O. R. & N. train No. 1, westbound, was held up and the express car was dynamited by four robbers at 8:50 last night, eight miles east of Portland. The robbers did not molest the passengers, but uncoupled the mail and express cars and compelled the engineer to pull down the track a short distance toward Portland. The express car was blown open with dynamite and Express Messenger Huff was forced to open the safe.

The robbers got little for their trouble. Only a few packages were contained in the safe. These were taken, and a small amount of money was taken from the messenger himself—about \$3. The mail car was not entered, and no attempt was made to rob the passengers.

General Manager J. P. O'Brien, of the Harriman lines, has offered a reward of \$1000 for the arrest of each of the robbers.

A special train was ordered out of the Union Depot as soon as news of the holdup reached Portland, carrying a posse of deputy sheriffs, railroad detectives and officials of the O. R. & N. They started a hunt for the three desperadoes that lasted all night. Up to an early hour this morning no captures of suspects had been made.

The looted train, with the express car splintered from the dynamite explosions that had wrecked the safe inside, reached the Union Depot about 11 o'clock last night. It was in charge of Conductor Dunn.

Brakeman Tells Story.

G. L. Richards, rear brakeman on the train, was the first to send news of the robbery to officials at the Portland headquarters of the O. R. & N. When he reached the city last night, he told the following story of the holdup:

"About two miles west of Clatskanie the train came to a sudden stop. I was in the day coach and, lantern in hand, swung off the forward steps to see what caused the stop. In the darkness I saw a man a few feet away who fired a shot in the air and with a curse, ordered me back inside the car, telling me to stay there.

Passengers Hide Valuables.

"I went back inside the day coach and started back through the train. I notified the passengers that the train had been held up and urged them to secure their valuables, which they did promptly. Getting off the train at the rear end of the last Pullman, I went back toward Clatskanie and routed out the section boss, Ed Dunn. He accompanied me to Reynolds station, where I telephoned the news of the robbery to Portland.

"While I was telephoning, at 9:20 P. M., we heard three dynamite explosions distinctly from the direction in which the uncoupled mail and express cars had been taken by the engine. By the time we reached the cars the robbers had plundered the mail car and carried away the contents of the express company's safe. How much they got we do not know."

Point Guns at Crew.

The four robbers followed faithfully the time-honored methods. Three masked men, who are supposed to have climbed aboard the train at Hood River, awaiting a favorable opportunity, climbed over the tender of the engine and held pistols to the heads of the engineer and fireman, forcing them to bring the train to a stop. They then ordered them to pull the three cars down the track a short distance, which was done. Huddling the engineer and

SAYS ROOSEVELT WAS UNGALLANT

SEMINARY TEACHER TELLS OF THANKSGIVING DAY RIDE.

Alleges President Knocks Young Woman's Foot From Stirrup With His Riding Crop.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(Special)—In an interview published in the Baltimore Sun today, Miss E. L. Sisson, an instructor at the Forest Glen Seminary, Kensington, Md., is made to say that President Roosevelt, on Thanksgiving day, while horseback riding, so far resented the passage of his party by a group of seminary girls in her charge, that he rode briskly by one of them, knocking her foot from her stirrup, struck her horse with his riding crop and rebuked the young woman for preceding the President on the road.

The report was called to the attention of the White House today, but it was not officially laid before the President. It was said there that the story "was so unlike the President as to be of doubtful authenticity"; that the President was not out horseback riding on Thanksgiving day, and that "there must be a mistake somewhere."

The report was not laid before the President because of other important controversial matters now engaging his attention.

FALLS DEAD ON STREET

W. H. Lyon Drops Suddenly on Way Home to Dinner.

W. H. Lyon, foreman in the salting-room of the Union Meat Company, while on his way home to supper last night shortly after 7 o'clock, dropped dead of heart disease just as he reached the corner of Oak and Third streets. A number of people were standing at the corner when Lyon passed and they saw him, just as he was about to step off the curb, stagger and fall. They hurried to his side and placed the body on the sidewalk. The police and Dr. Ziegler were summoned at once.

Lyon was about 65 years old and lived with his wife and mother-in-law, at 815 1/2 First street. At the home Mrs. Lyon was anxiously waiting the return of her husband from work and had his dinner waiting for him. She knew nothing of his death until informed by the Coroner, Coroner Norden has not decided whether an inquest will be necessary.

ADVANCE CIVIL SERVICE

League Congratulates Roosevelt on Extension of System.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—Delegates to the 12th annual convention of the Civil Service Reform League, which opened today, are highly elated over the recent order granting a large number of fourth-class postmasters the protection of the merit system. The president of the league, Joseph H. Choate, extended States Ambassador to Great Britain, was instructed to telegraph President Roosevelt congratulations on his recent order "in aid of civil service advancement."

The report of the council was submitted by R. H. Dana, of Boston, chairman. He told of the success of the council in defeating the patronage provision of the Crumpacker census bill at the last session of Congress, but regretted that the House last week had passed a census bill with spoils provisions. Referring to the protection recently given fourth-class postmasters north of the Ohio River and east of the Mississippi, the report expressed the hope that all such postmasters will soon have the same protection.

KILLED FATHER'S SLAYER

Condemned Murderer Says He Sought Evidence for Years.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 17.—"I killed Thomas Brady because I believed and now believe he killed my father. I searched everywhere for evidence in the case, worked years in getting information about my father's death and, when I got what I considered positive proof against Brady, I vowed then and there that, if possible, he should pay the death penalty, as he had caused my father to do so."

This statement was made by Frank Bryant, who is under sentence to hang here tomorrow for the murder of Thomas Brady. Governor Deneen has refused to interfere.

KNABENSHUE'S PLAN FAILS

Deadliness of Airships Spoiled by Noise of Machinery.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 17.—Roy Knabenshue tonight attempted to demonstrate how an airship could sail over a city unobserved under cover of darkness and destroy the city by the use of powerful explosives. His flight tonight failed in this respect, however, as his airship was easily discernible, and the whirr of the motor and propeller could be heard at a great distance. Knabenshue dropped a harmless bomb on the City Hall, where it was later found. Knabenshue was accompanied by George Deniser, his machinist.

WILL RAISE SUNKEN PILES

American Company to Use Them for High-Grade Paper.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Five hundred thousand cords of sunken pine pilings now submerged in the Ridesau River and in the lakes back of Kingston, Canada, has been bought by an American concern, which will raise the timber and take it by boat down the St. Lawrence to Ogdensburg, where it will be made into bleached soda pulp. This pulp is said to be made by special chemical process for use in the manufacture of high-grade stationery. The piling was sunk eight years ago.

M'CARREN WOULD OUST BRYANISM

Starts Fight to Eradicate Peerless.

WHY DEMOCRATS ALWAYS LOSE

Cold-Blooded Analysis of Party Blunders.

ON WRONG SIDE OF ISSUES

Senator Says That His Party Has Been Advocating Fallacies Ever Since Civil War—Littleton Holds Similar Views.

BY LLOYD F. LONGERGAN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Democrats of the Empire state are filling in the days before Christmas by giving the answer to the important question "What Is the Matter With Our Party?"

Senator Patrick H. McCarron, who was kicked out of the Spring state convention, and thrown out at Denver, is leading in the crusade. McCarron will go to Albany next month to represent his district. He went to Washington for the opening of Congress, and discussed conditions with members from all parts of the Union.

Not on Right Side.

The Senator, who returned home this week frankly admits that this is the answer: "We have not been on the right side of any public issue since the Civil War," he says. "We will never come into power until we properly represent the views of the majority of the voters."

McCarron readily consented to give his views at length.

"To begin at the beginning," he declared, "we were on the wrong side of the Civil War issue, because so many of the Democratic states were opposed to the Union. Then, intervening between the period of the war and the time of Tilden, we were on the wrong side of the tariff issue. Everybody knows that the election of Tilden, and he was elected, was a protest against the methods of the Republican party at that time, and a declaration in favor of a change in the methods of the Government."

Repetition of Tilden Period.

"Since that time we have been on the wrong side of every issue, with the exception of the one campaign in which Cleveland was elected."

"His election was a repetition of the Tilden period. It was an effort on the part of the people to wreat the Government from the hands of the Republicans, because of the belief that their methods were high handed and detrimental to the interests of the country. Then the Bryan period followed. It

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THINGS YOU WANT TO SEE AND READ.

The features you want in a formal annual edition of any paper are, first: Pictures, clear, well selected and well printed; second, articles, informative, complete and authoritative. These are the things the forthcoming annual edition of The Oregonian will endeavor to do to your satisfaction. There is in Oregon a surprising number of photographers who do beautiful work. Their latest product you will see in the Annual. It will astonish you to know how attractively really fine photographs—Oregon photographs—can be printed in a newspaper, when the newspaper happens to be The Oregonian. And the special articles, too—these will interest you. They are by well-known writers in every walk of life, and you will want to read what they have to say about Portland and Oregon.

Look for the Annual, on January 1, 1909.

MAROONED ON LONE REEF

Japanese Sailors, Put Ashore, Live on Fish and Birds' Eggs.

HONOLULU, Dec. 17.—The schooner Florence Ward arrived here today with three Japanese sailors aboard, whom the Ward had picked up from Hermes reef, where they say they were marooned by the Japanese steamer Kahoon Maru.

The rescued men state they were put ashore on the reef last July, the party including a fourth member, who died of scurvy, which broke out as a result of the poor food they were forced to live upon. Throughout the long months of their captivity on the reef the men lived on fish and birds' eggs and obtained drinking water by means of a primitive apparatus with which they condensed the sea water.

They make no statement as to why they were put ashore on the reef.

OPPOSES TRACK GAMBLING

Los Angeles Business Men Organize to Suppress Race Evil.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 17.—Fifty business and professional men of this city met at the invitation of Arthur Letts, proprietor of the Broadway store today and organized a movement designed to eradicate race track gambling in California.

An organization to be known as the Business Men's Anti-Race Track Gambling League of Southern California, was perfected.

COSGROVE STILL IMPROVES

Soon Decide Whether to Return for Inauguration.

PASO ROBLES, Cal., Dec. 17.—Governor-elect Cosgrove, of Washington, continues to make great improvement. His son intends returning to Washington very soon, when it will be decided whether the inauguration will take place at Olympia or at Paso Robles. The Governor prefers to go to Olympia, but his physician says that he should remain here for several weeks longer.

TURKEY IN FAMILY OF FREE NATIONS

Sultan Opens Parliament in Splendor.

GREAT REJOICING IN CAPITAL

Abdul Hamid Says He Will Uphold Constitution.

TELLS OF FOREIGN DISPUTE

Says Bulgaria Has Become Disloyal and Austria Violated Treaty. Immense Crowds Celebrate Meeting of Parliament.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 17.—A new constitutional government was inaugurated today with every sign of success. The new Parliament, elected under the constitution promulgated by the Sultan last July, was opened and everything passed off without the slightest disorder.

Any fear that the Sultan may have had as to the temper of his subjects was dispelled by the ample display of enthusiasm. The fact that the Sultan came out openly to meet his people on this occasion has gone a long way toward removing the effects of past evils attributed to the palace rule, while the Grand Vizier, Kiamil Pascha, who insisted on the Sultan's coming by the road which passes through the European quarters of Pera and Stamboul, thus bringing the sovereign into contact with the masses, has shown his great wisdom and has by this move secured further success in the consolidation of the constitutional regime.

Tonight the streets are full of life and the city is brilliantly illuminated. Frequent pistol shots are heard as a sign of general rejoicing.

Gathering of Dignitaries.

The opening of the Parliament was solemnized by 300 Deputies and Senators, a large number of other state dignitaries and ministers, and the heads of the diplomatic missions. With the exception of the Sultan's six sons in a box, no other Princes were present. After the reading of the speech from the throne there was a flourish of trumpets and the troops massed outside the building gave three cheers for the Sultan, while artillery salutes announced the event to the whole population.

Women Crowd Windows.

Never before have such crowds been seen on the streets, a remarkable feature being the great number of Turkish women filling the windows and balconies along the line of march. A never-to-be-forgotten scene was presented at the mosque of St. Sophia, the roof of which was crowded with spectators, even to the summit of the central dome. The ambassadors and ministers of foreign powers were everywhere given a hearty reception.

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CHILDREN'S NAMES UNKNOWN TO BONI

DE SAGAN SAYS COUNT COULD NOT CALL OFFSPRING.

Anna's Prince Alleges His Divorced Cousin "Now and Then Got Them Wrong."

PARIS, France, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Count Boni de Castellane's letter, in which he says he wants only his children and not any cash allowance, fails to strike a responsive chord in the breasts of his opponents before the court. "Boni's latest move may be considered a very clever one," remarked Prince de Sagan, "but it will not go down with the court, which will recall the time when my cousin lived occasionally in the same house with the children, and never showed any particular solicitude for his offspring. He hardly more than knew their names, and now and then got them wrong. And why these high moral grounds now? My humble person occupies but little space on the stage. The judge will also recall how many homes Boni had besides this."

The De Castellane family has never been so hard up as it is now. Both Boni's father and mother work for a living, the former translating and the latter writing for a newspaper.

PLAN WORLD COPPER TRUST

Producers, Refiners and Manufacturers All Talk of Combining.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Representatives of the leading copper interests of this country and Europe will meet here tomorrow to organize an international association of copper producers, refiners and manufacturers. The Dodge & Co., who recently incorporated their properties into a \$50,000,000 company, are said to be taking an active part in the movement.

The interests concerned are said to represent about 65 per cent of the world's copper output. It is proposed to organize a statistical bureau and disseminate information at regular periods, so as to keep manufacturers and consumers in touch with trade conditions. It is denied, however, that any attempt will be made to regulate prices, but some agreement as to output is probable.

The interests identified with this movement are said not to be in any way connected with the independent smelter scheme.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF ART

Architects Ask Government to Create One for Buildings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The American Institute of Architects today concluded its 43rd annual convention after electing officers and adopting resolutions, the most important of which recommends the creation of a Federal bureau of fine arts. The convention resolved to establish a student body, should the board of directors deem it advisable.

The proposed bureau of fine arts is to be pushed vigorously. The report of the committee on the allied arts declares that more than \$50,000,000 has been spent in public buildings and other works of art which should have been under the control of a bureau of art.

A banquet was given tonight at which the principal speakers were James Bryce, the British Ambassador; Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University and Howard Pyle, the artist.

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UPPER BERTH IS AWKWARD

Two of Weaker Sex Tell Commissioner Lane of Treatment Received While Traveling in Pullman Parlor Cars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Alleging that they were unable "to get any kind of service" unless they tipped Pullman porters, two women, Mrs. Anna McNulty and Mrs. A. E. Vorawek, testified in the berth rate hearing before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane today. Mrs. McNulty, telling Commissioner Lane of an instance where a porter refused to aid a woman with a small baby because "there was no money in it."

Mrs. McNulty and Mrs. Vorawek, whose business calls for constant traveling, were the witnesses. They would never take an upper berth unless compelled to do so by force of circumstances, both agreeing that there is a deal of trouble in getting in and out of one, and that the ventilation is bad.

Tips Are Necessary.

"In traveling in Pullman cars do you find it necessary to tip the porter?" asked Attorney Hannan.

"Yes, if one expects to get any service at all," answered Mrs. McNulty.

"How do you know?"

"On several occasions I did not have any change and when I failed to tip the porter I was obliged to carry my own luggage."

Experience Is Teacher.

"How do you know about the service when you do not tip the porter until the end of the trip?"

"I have learned by experience that the porter is impertinent and will not give you the service you are entitled to unless you tip him. On long trips I always give a tip at the beginning as well as at the end of the trip."

"No Money in It."

Asked for an instance of discrimination against one who had neglected to fee the porter, Mrs. McNulty related the following:

"Last September, when I was coming from San Francisco to Chicago, I stopped off in Denver and the porter helped me with my luggage. A lady with a small baby in the next section called several times for the porter and I told him to leave my baggage and see what the woman wanted. He smiled and said there was no money in it, and he paid no attention to her. I suppose she was unaccustomed to traveling and did not know how essential it is to tip the porter."

Commissioner Lane took the case, which specifically applies to rates between Chicago and St. Paul, under advisement, and left for Washington tonight. The other cases involving rates between Duluth and St. Paul and St. Paul and Seattle will be heard later.

Uppers Only Worth Half Price.

"What is the value of an upper berth in a Pullman car compared with that of a lower from a woman's viewpoint?" Mrs. McNulty was asked.

"I should say it was about half, and I would be willing to pay just twice as much for a lower as I would for an upper berth."

Mrs. Vorawek was asked if she had ever ridden in an upper berth.

"Well, I should say not," she replied, indignantly. "I don't think it is a proper thing for a lady to do to climb into an upper berth."

Mrs. Vorawek wanted it distinctly understood that she always waited until the next day when she could not get a lower berth, or sat up all night in a chair car.

No Inquiry Into Watered Stock.

There were hints by the complainant that the capitalization of the Pullman Company was going to be inquired into with a view to trying to show there was water in it, but no such attempt was made.

B. H. Douman, assistant auditor of the St. Paul road, was summoned in the hope that the Pullman Company's figures regarding repairs to cars could be disproved. He showed, however, that these figures were about what the St. Paul figures for that purpose. It was also shown by the Pullman Company that, if the rates asked by the complainant had been charged last year between Chicago and the Twin Cities, the company would have lost nearly \$161 per car.

France Honors American Woman.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—As a reward for her services in connection with the treaty of Paris between the United States and Spain and for her work in connection with the promotion of interest in the French language and literature in this country, Miss Marie McNaughton of this city, has been presented by the Department of Public Instruction of France with the diploma and insignia of office of the Academy Palms.

