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The capture of the confessed bandit and his alleged confederate is the result of the finding of a "sucker," or rubber overcoat, which was thrown away by the leader of the gang in their flight after the hold-up. Sheriff Stevens, his deputies and special agents of the O. R. & N. traced its ownership, who informed them that he had loaned it to a certain acquaintance. Further investigation along that line resulted Sunday in the arrest of Hayes, who is said to have worn the coat.

He was shadowed for a day or so prior to his arrest, however, and his actions and connections led to the discovery of the complexity of the youth. Soon after his arrest, Burke confessed, and ignorant of the fact that Hayes had been taken into custody, was concealed and Hayes brought before him. He instantly declared that the man before him was the leader of the gang that held up the train and that it was the first time he had seen him since the night of the crime.

## Robber Tells His Story.

In the presence of Deputy District Attorneys Fitzgerald and Hennessey, Attorney Arthur C. Spencer, of the legal department of the O. R. & N.; Special Agent Fitzgerald, of the O. R. & N.; an official stenographer, Deputy Sheriffs and newspapermen, Burke told his story last night. He told of his home, his brothers and sister, his father, who is dead, and of his widowed mother. And in the recital of the entire tale there was never a tremor except briefly when he referred to his mother.

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As soon as he had told all his story he was removed to a cell and Hayes was brought into the room.

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He was informed that a "pal" of his had made a confession with reference to the holdup of the train and of the part of which he was accused. He denied it vehemently, but freely answered questions that soon involved him in a maze of explanations. Finally he became angry and impatient, refusing to speak farther and demanding an attorney at once.

## GARY STEEL PLANT STARTS

### Has Cost \$25,000,000 and Will Employ 25,000 Men.

## HAMMOND, IND., DEC. 21.—

The actual manufacture of steel was begun at Gary today, when blast furnace No. 12 was blown in and the first step taken in making the Calumet region one of the greatest iron and steel industrial centers of the world.

The \$25,000,000 plant is now in operation and the work will be increased until it is estimated 25,000 men will be employed.

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## THOMAS TALKS ON PLAYS

### Veteran Playwright Encourages Young Writers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Here is encouragement for young and aspiring playwrights. Augustus Thomas, in an address last night before the American Dramatic Club, of which he has been president since the death of Bronson Howard, had this to say to the club members:

## DUKE NEGLECTED HIS DUTY

### Failed to Properly Search Shoes of Heney's Would-be Assassin.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The Police Commissioners at the close of an executive session last night after a thorough investigation of the circumstances connected with the suicide of Morris Haas at the branch County Jail the day following his attempt to kill Francis J. Heney, they were unanimously of the opinion that the derring-do with which he ended his own life had been concealed in his shoe where it had been overlooked by Captain Duke who searched him after the shooting of Mr. Heney in Judge Lawlor's courtroom.

## CLOSE DAM ON COLORADO

### Successful Move Assures Completion of Laguna Irrigation Project.

YUMA, Ariz., Dec. 21.—Completion of Laguna Dam and opening of the Indian reservation this Spring was assured today by the successful closing of the confederation across the Colorado River. The water is now entirely diverted from its natural channel and pours through the sluiceways into the passages prepared to carry it back into the river below.

## SHOUP PLACED IN CHARGE

### Manager of Harriman's California Interests Other Than Railroads.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Paul Shoup, for several years assistant general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, has been appointed manager of all the interests of E. H. Harriman in California which are not connected with the railroad. Mr. Shoup, who is one of the best-known railroad men in the state, will be directed in the duties of his new position by William F. Herrin, chief of the Southern Pacific's law department.

## EUGENE'S TAX 10 MILLS

### Levy for Municipal Expenses Same as Last Year.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The City Council tonight agreed to make the city tax levy for the coming year 10 mills, which is the same as last year's levy. Since the school tax was made 7 instead of 8 mills, as last year, the total tax for school and city purposes will be 17 mills, or 1 mill less than it was last year.

## FORM COALITION TO BEAT C. P. TAFT

### Probable Climax on Ohio Senatorship.

## FORAKER MAY JOIN BURTON

### Vorys Oils Up Machine for Cincinnati Editor.

## DICK WORKING FOR TAFT

### Anti-Taft Men Say President-Elect's Brother Is Nine Short of Majority—Burton Fighting to Prevent Caucus.

## SAOANS PLAN TROUBLE

### Chiefs Threaten to Hoist Independent Flag in German Possessions.

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It appears that the field will unite strongly against Mr. Taft. The opposition says that Mr. Taft will be shy nine votes on the first ballot, conceding him some doubtful members of the Legislature. When they discover who in the strongest coalition against him there will be a uniting of forces.

There seems to have been no outward coalition against Mr. Taft, all the candidates working for themselves, but under the surface there is indication that such action will be taken when the vote is started and the strongest opponent to Mr. Taft is discovered.

## ALL DETECTIVES UNDER ONE HEAD

### ROOSEVELT WOULD COMBINE GOVERNMENT SLEUTHS.

### Ask Congress to Gather All Forces for Detection of Crime in Department of Justice.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Emily Crane Chadburne today obtained possession of her art treasures seized last Summer by the Government by paying into the court \$22,411 in addition to the \$39,469 previously paid by her for duties and penalties on the property.

## "FITS ME PERFECTLY!"

This is the pitiful tale of another "international marriage." The woman's husband is an educated Chinese, who accepted the Baptist religion and was a teacher in a Sunday school. The following note pinned to the dress of the little girl points to the mother's fearful train of mind:

"Thank God, it is over; it was horrible. I can't go on with the rest, but no one will lead my little girl the life of misery I have had. I shall not depend upon poison. The way must be sure."  
Mortally hurt by the attitude of white people and consumed with fear of the Chinese tongs, the woman withdrew entirely from society six months ago and had rarely been seen since that time.

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## DIES TO AVOID OSTRACISM

### White Wife of Chinaman Kills Children and Herself.

PLANO, Ill., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Dejected by her own people and with the threat of decapitation by a highlander society hanging over her, Mrs. Georgia Ah Wong, aged 35, today nearly severed the life of her baby girl, gave wood alcohol to her three little boys, drank deeply of the poison herself, and then flung herself under a fast train.

## BANKS GIVE OUT FIGURES

### Examiner Steel Gives Statistics for Report of November 27.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—State Bank Examiner James Steel today completed a statement of the condition of the 122 state and private banks in Oregon at the date of the last call, November 27, 1908. The statement shows total resources, \$32,562,212.25, of which \$5,545,737.75 is cash on hand and \$2,546,422.27 due from banks and bankers.

## JAIL FOR CATTLE BARON

### Lillis Is Sentenced, but Free Pending Appeal.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 21.—S. C. Lillis, the wealthy Lemoore, Cal., banker and stockman, was sentenced by Judge Welborn, at a special session of the Federal Court today, to spend six months in the local county jail and to pay a fine of \$1,000. Lillis was convicted at the last session of the Federal Court on a charge of illegally enclosing large areas of Government land. The case will be appealed and Lillis has been released on bond.

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BRIDE-TO-BE DIES ON OCEAN VOYAGE. LOVER WAITS HOPELESSLY AT DOCK FOR MATE. Pretty Romance Ends in Tragedy for Utah Man at New York Wharf. NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—When the big liner Baltic came into her dock here today after one of the most tempestuous voyages of her career, Charles C. Clark, of Eureka, Utah, learned that the woman he had waited years to wed had died while crossing the ocean to join him in the home he had made for both. The girl, Miss Priscilla Hewison, of White Haven, England, was stricken with peritonitis soon after the ship sailed. So rough was the sea that the ship surgeon found it impossible to perform an operation. First cabin passengers, among them Mrs. Whitehead Reid, wife of the American Ambassador to Great Britain, learning of the romance that had come to so tragic an end, made up a liberal purse and arranged to have the body brought to New York for burial. Clark and Miss Hewison had been childhood sweethearts and when he came to America several years ago she promised to wait until he had made a home. Clark came all the way across the continent to meet the young woman and take her back to Utah as his wife. KING CLOSES PARLIAMENT. Rejoices at Fleet's Australian Trip and American Arbitration Treaty. LONDON, Dec. 21.—King Edward today put an end to the present session of the British Parliament. Only a few members attended the brief ceremonies which His Majesty presided over. The King's speech made special reference to the recent visit of the American battleship fleet to Australian waters, which His Majesty's speech evoked warm feelings of cordiality in my dominions in that quarter of the globe and was a source of gratification to myself and my government. Referring to the conclusion of several important agreements which "by eliminating causes of contention must lead to the consolidation of peace," the King said: "Among these may be mentioned the treaties with the United States for general arbitration, and for regulating certain questions between the United States and Canada and an agreement for maintenance of the existing territorial status for the regions bordering upon the North Sea." Referring to the events in the Balkans, which have disturbed the conditions of the treaty of Berlin, the speech says: "There is reason to hope that wise and conciliatory councils will prevail and that an amicable settlement will be reached with the consent of the powers which have participated in the treaty." In a paragraph on India deep regret is expressed at "a conspiracy of evilly disposed persons against the lives of my officials and the continuance of peace in that country which will be received in the spirit of mutual trust and good will in which they are proposed."

WOMAN WHIPPED BY NIGHT RIDERS. Tells Jury Story of Their Brutality. FORGED TO ABANDON DIVORCE. One of Masked Band Details Ranken Murder. NAMES HIS ACCOMPLICES. Heinous Crimes of Tennessee Terrorists Brought Home at Last. Informer Was One of Mob Which Hanged Ranken. UNION CITY, Tenn., Dec. 21.—The state practically completed its case today against the eight alleged Night Riders on trial for the murder of Captain Ranken, when it drew from Frank Feininger, a member of the band, a detailed statement, not only of the Ranken tragedy, but of a score or more of other outrages. It also called Mrs. Emma Johnson, one of the two women said to have been whipped by the band, and had her tell her story. The startling testimony of Frank Feininger, involving the men as actual participants in the murder of Captain Ranken was given with an exactitude of detail that was amazing. As Mrs. Johnson's name was called, a murmur of satisfaction arose. Nearly everyone knew she had been whipped, but except the grand jury and prosecuting officers no one had heard her story. Whipped for Seeking Divorce. Mrs. Johnson had married Joe Johnson, a man 30 years older than she, and had lived with him for four years when a child was born. Last August she sued him for divorce, charging cruelty and asking maintenance. Early in September the Riders visited her father's home and left word that she must withdraw the suit. She failed to do so and on a second visit her father was whipped. On both occasions she was at her sister's home. The Riders seemed to have recalled him, for on September 30, about 11 o'clock at night, they went to her sister's home. Mrs. Johnson woke to find her bedroom filled with masked men. A man who she said she recognized as Fred Pinion, one of the defendants, was standing so close that she could touch him. Dragged From Bed and Beaten. "We have come to tell you for the last time that you must dismiss that divorce suit," Pinion le charged with saying. "I will not withdraw it," she replied. "You will before we get through with you," came the answer. Mrs. Johnson woke to find her bedroom filled with masked men. A man who she said she recognized as Fred Pinion, one of the defendants, was standing so close that she could touch him. (Concluded on Page 6.)

