

SPEEDY JUSTICE FOR HIGHWAYMEN

Charles Braun and Al Miller
Are Sentenced to Prison
16 Hours After Crime.

BOTH MEN PLEAD GUILTY

Robbers Who Held Up Rose City
Park Car Get 15 and 12 Years
Respectively—Good Work
Done by Police.

One day after they conceived a career of highway robbery, Al Miller and Charles Braun, young men under 25, were sent on their way to the penitentiary under sentences that will keep them there until they are middle-aged men.

Never have the wheels of justice worked so quickly and effectively in Multnomah County as in this case. The

ler was entitled to some consideration for his services to the police.

"Braun will serve a term of 15 years in the State Prison at Salem. Miller will be sentenced to serve a term of 12 years," the Court ordered.

Neither Reveals Any Feeling.

Neither of the two men showed any surprise or feeling. As he was being led out Miller broke into a grim smile, but Braun's face remained impassive. They will be taken immediately to Salem to take up the long term.

In recognition of the work of the police in capturing the men, President Josselyn, of the streetcar company, sent a check of \$100 to the police station, yesterday, to be added to the relief fund.

To Patrolman Ray Ellis, of Captain Moore's relief, credit for the capture largely belongs. Ellis, though not on duty at the time, picked Miller up as a suspect at Wilberg lane and later the admissions were gained from him which made possible the capture of Braun and conviction of both men.

POLICE ARREST CHICKENS

Twenty-four Birds Refuse to Move On.

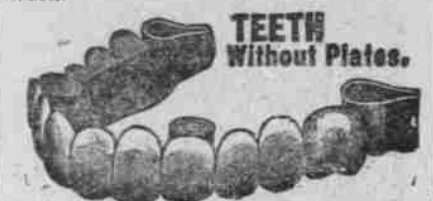
While Mayor Lane worries over the lighting problem and members of the Council over the saloon problem, officials at the Second and Oak battle have a problem on their hands that is no less important and far more disturbing. It is the question of chickens, what to do with a dozen fowls accidentally found upon the streets, and for whose accommodation portions of the City Jail have been converted into a veritable hen coop.

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REVENUE ON INHERITANCE

State of Washington Secured \$55,-

000 on Annual Income.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The inheritance tax law results in producing an annual income of \$55,000, according to the biennial report of the State Tax Commission now being prepared.

This report shows that during the first four years the law was in operation, ending June 30, 1906, the total receipts from this tax was but \$33,175.33. Later this collection of the tax was placed with the Tax Commission and in the two years ending June 30, 1908, the Commission collected and turned into the Treasury \$111,622.81.

The Commission says that 2274 cases for the collection of the tax are still pending in the courts.

The report also refers to the fact that foreign countries have protested to the National Secretary of State that a law passed by the last Legislature violates treaty agreements in that it levies a heavier tax on property passing to non-resident foreign heirs than is levied where the heirs reside in the United States.

As a whole the Commission declares the inheritance tax law is a model one and the only amendment suggested is one requiring copies of inventories of all estates to be sent to the Commission.

In its report the Commission will recommend a new law which will cut off the right of inheritance of collateral heirs beyond the third degree of relationship.

New Schedule on O. W. P. Line.

Improvements to the service to Gresham and Cazadero will be made by the O. W. P. division of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company Sunday, January 3.

What will be practically an hourly service to Gresham will be established. During the less busy hours of the day, a two-hour service will be in effect. Trains will leave the

city for Gresham, commencing Sunday in the morning at 6:55, 7:45, 8:45 and 9:45 for "Gresham and Intermediate points. From Portland to Cazadero morning trains will leave at 6:55, 8:45

and 10:45. Morning trains will leave the city as follows for Troutdale: 6:55, 7:45, 8:45, 9:45 and 10:45.

New York.—Eggs filled with carbonic acid

were hurled at a taxicab Wednesday night. The nonunion driver successfully dodged the missiles, but several struck his cab.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States in the

cases of Magon, Rivera and Vilson, the Mexican revolutionaries, will be dismissed next week on motion of the defense and the three defendants will be sent to Arizona to stand trial on the charge of violating the neutrality laws.

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Charles Braun.



Al Miller.

robbery was committed about 11:30 P. M. Wednesday. By 3 A. M. Thursday both were in custody. At 10 A. M. they were arraigned before Municipal Judge Van Zante and held to the grand jury. District Attorney George J. Cameron here took up the case and did his work well. He rushed the two prisoners before the county grand jury, which was just concluding its month of work. The grand jury indicted the brace of thugs without hesitation. Mr. Cameron then asked of the Circuit Court that they have a hearing at once, as he believed they would plead guilty.

Very likely the two men did not realize the seriousness of their offense, for they declined the offer of the court to provide them with counsel, and waived time for sentence.

"We want to get through with it," Braun said when the pair was led before Presiding Judge Gantenbein a short time after 4 o'clock P. M.

"That's me, too," said Miller.

Miller Aids Police.

Miller was the less desperate of the two and the younger, being only 23 years old, while the other is nearly 25. He was the first man arrested and he gave the officers valuable information as to the whereabouts of his confederate. For these reasons it was planned that he should be given consideration, at least that the court should be asked to deal with him lightly.

"Have you men anything to say before sentence is passed?" the court inquired.

Neither cared to say a word. Possibly

ens, Jaller Branch is in a perplexing quandary, as designers of a temporary home for the fowls, Patroldrivers Venable and Gruber comprise the ways and means committee; and as guardians of the public peace the three Captains of Police are at their wit's end, for notwithstanding their sincere efforts to preserve quiet and order at the station, they have utterly failed to suppress the crowing and cackling that disturbs prisoners and others both night and day.

The chickens were found Tuesday night at Second and Burnside streets. They were in a box that had evidently been overlooked by a dealer as he closed his shop for the night. And when they were found there was nothing to do but to take them to police headquarters. There they have remained, one claiming them, and no inquiries have been received.

Officer Venable has prepared several boxes for the chickens, because they were overcrowded in the box in which they were found. The fowls require as much care as the prisoners, and are becoming a problem for the officers. A "trustee" suggested that they be served at dinner on New Year's day, but Jaller Branch emphatically opposed such action.

Cupid Active in Josephine County

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Josephine County has had a prolific year in marriage ceremonies. For 1908, the County Clerk issued 73 marriage licenses. This year there have been issued 88 certificates, with prospects of sev-

eral more in time for a New Year's ceremony.

Bank and Telephones Started.

A state bank and telephone system are assured for the pioneer suburb of Milwaukie. The bank has already been incorporated and will be established as soon as arrangements can be made. Stock in the telephone company has been nearly all subscribed. It was

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