

TWO THUGS FOILED, IN THE 'URMS TRACK'

Thursday Night Exciting in Its Robbery, Attempted Robberies and Battle.

MAN IN MASK SUCCEEDS

Saloon on Northrup Street Held Up at Muzzle of Gun and \$8 Taken. Mitchell, Shot in Fight by Intended Victim, Still Lives.

Beside the two attempted hold-ups Thursday night when Vincenzo Buono, an Italian saloonkeeper at Front and Clay streets, felled one thug by shooting five bullets into his body, and C. P. Hadley, a grocer at 270 Williams street, felled another by throwing scale weights and other missiles at him, a third daring and more successful thug operated, holding up the saloon of M. F. McCormick, 475 Northrup street. Three customers were present and witnessed the robbery.

Mask and Sack Crudely Made. The mask and money sack he used appeared as though they had been hastily made out of the lining of his coat. As soon as the men in the saloon recovered from their fright they searched the neighborhood without finding any trace of the thug. McCormick reported the robbery to the police yesterday morning, and Detective Coleman and Snow, who are also on the cases of the groceryman and the Italian saloonkeeper, are looking for the man who robbed McCormick's saloon.

Identified as Horse Thief. Mitchell was also identified at the same time by Clyde Cleary, foreman of the Nobby Stables, 469 Flanders street, as the man who stole a horse and buggy from the livery stable of E. E. Emmer, 111 Hillsboro, Tuesday. Mitchell drove the horse to the Nobby Stables the same day, where he sold the animal for \$40. He left the buggy, saying he had better make a run for it. Shortly afterwards the stables was notified that the horse had been stolen. Both Cleary and Lord are positive of Mitchell's identity. Lord says Mitchell came into the saloon during the afternoon several hours before the holdup and remained in the place talking with the saloonman for 20 minutes. Cleary also says he talked with Mitchell for some time and cannot be mistaken.

Chance Friends Rob Cruiser. George Messinger, a well-known Oregon cruiser and prospector, was robbed of his wallet containing \$73 last night. Messinger reported to the police at 11 o'clock that while emerging from a Front-street restaurant, near Everett, he was accosted by two chance acquaintances and painfully beaten by the pair, who made a successful escape.

Man Choked, Purse Taken. Thug Is Soon Overtaken and Confesses Crime to Police. At 6:30 P. M. yesterday a thug entered the apartments of Mrs. Helen Meyer, who conducts a rooming-house at 350 Couch street, and after beating and choking her into insensibility, extracted the purse she had hidden in her stockings, tied the furniture in the room and escaped with valuables, including diamonds and money, amounting to \$50.

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MAN WHO GAVE PORTLAND NEW RAILROAD TO INLAND EMPIRE VISITS CITY.



J. J. HILL, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS GREAT NORTHERN, AND HOWARD ELLIOTT, PRESIDENT NORTHERN PACIFIC.

When shot at such close range is considered miraculous by the physicians who saw his injuries. Mitchell was operated upon by Dr. Ziegler yesterday morning.

POLICE AGAIN GET SLIP

San Francisco Drugstore Robber Seen, Then Unseen. Lone Highwayman Enters Saloon, Takes Drink, Talks of Robberies, Sneers and Leaves.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Eight detectives were hurried from police headquarters in automobiles last night in response to a telephone message that the lone highwayman who killed William Schneider and held up the Gleason-Courneen drugstore had appeared in the saloon of Richard C. Ulmer, at 471 Hayes street. The man escaped from the saloon after displaying two revolvers and menacing Thomas Cleary, clerk of the Recorder's office, and the police were unable to obtain the remotest trace of him. The effectual manner in which he covered up his retreat, together with the fact that the saloon is only a few blocks away from the Gleason-Courneen store, has satisfied the police that the man was the bandit and that he lives somewhere in the immediate neighborhood of the places he selects for his successful and startling reappearances.

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RAILS LAID IN 1910

Hill Promises Train Up Deschutes Next Year.

OREGON NEEDS FARMERS

Railroad Builder Optimistic as to State's Future, but Insists Commercial Bodies Must Continue Publicity Work.

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establishing for himself a home has been pretty thoroughly culled. But here in Oregon you have thousands of acres of choice land awaiting development by the immigrant.

Oregon Needs More Farmers.

"I really think you people do not fully appreciate the situation. The future of your state is most promising and you should be even more active in inviting immigration. It is up to you to people your state. You have the opportunities. What you need is the people. Your commercial organizations are doing good work. It should be continued aggressively.

What Oregon needs is men to locate on its lands and cultivate them. The disposition of the average homeseeker from the East is to own some land of his own and contribute to the state's production. That tendency should in every way be encouraged. I would not discourage the wonderful development of the horticultural industry, for it will be a great many years before the supply of such apples as you raise in Oregon will exceed the demand for the product. But I think you should encourage the growing of grain, which contributes materially to the contentment of the producer as well as the prosperity of the entire state. Portland will continue to grow and prosper to the extent that the state develops.

Publicity Work Needed.

"We feel that we are doing our part in contributing both to the development of the state and the prosperity of Portland business interests by constructing a railroad into Central Oregon and providing needed facilities for transporting to the markets of the world the products of the interior. I predict that within the next two years Oregon will witness the high tide of immigration to this state. There is a wonderful movement toward among homeseekers, and Oregon offers grand opportunities. You are sure to get your full share of this immigration, but under the circumstances it is up to Oregonians without reservation to announce to the world the wonderful possibilities you have to offer."

Mr. Hill declines to discuss the terminal situation in this city, remarking indifferently that there was nothing new on the subject and explaining that it was one of the least of his worries. "Engineers and trainmen, as a rule, are very intelligent men," said Mr. Hill, when asked concerning the agitation in the East for a general strike among railway employees. "They are among the best paid laborers in the country, and their wages have been increased more during the last few years than those of any other class of workmen. For that reason I regard the possibility of a general strike among these men as altogether remote and, in fact, not considered seriously by the men themselves."

The recent strike by the switchmen employed on the Northern railroads, in all, I am satisfied, was the result of more rivalry between two organizations of these employees than from any other cause. The organization which organized the walkout hoped to be successful and in that way attract to its membership all switchmen employed on the other local systems and who are affiliated with the Order of Railway Trainmen. But it required only three days to place this strike where it failed to prove troublesome to the railroads that were affected. As a result, the strike exists in name only. Passenger traffic was at no time interrupted, and for the last 10 days the movement of freight has been resumed regularly on all lines and without interruption. The demands of the switchmen were entirely unreasonable, and the railroads could not concede them.

Busy Day Spent in City.

Yesterday was an exceedingly busy day for Mr. Hill and his associates, Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific, and Darius Miller, first vice-president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, who are accompanying the veteran railroader, during the day conferences were held with George B. French, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, Judge J. H. Carey and J. B. Kerr, local attorneys for the Hill lines. An inspection of the Hill properties and visits to the company's local offices also consumed a part of the day. Mr. Hill and party expects to leave Portland today. They will return to St. Paul via the North Bank to Spokane, being accompanied by President French as far as Spokane.

BOYS WILL ENJOY SWIM

Juveniles Will Be Entertained by Y. M. C. A. Today.

"Educational day" was observed at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday and proved to be a special feature of the week of events celebrating the opening of the new building of that organization at Fifth and Taylor streets. The exercises yesterday were directed by Professor E. R. French. Today "Boys' day" will end the week of celebration, and boys of the city will be admitted free there today to enjoy the athletic sports and swimming.

A feature of yesterday was the address given by P. L. Campbell, president of the University of Oregon, to teachers and other educators in the new association hall. He paid a glowing tribute to the work being done by the Y. M. C. A. and declared that the organization is

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The admiration of educators generally, who appreciate the method of combining practical and intellectual training.

bound train reaches here at 8:30 A. M. and the southbound leaves Portland at 8:30 P. M.

Among the out-of-town educators who visited the Y. M. C. A. yesterday were Professor H. L. Beatty, principal of the academic department of the Faculty University at Forest Grove, and Professor Arthur Frederix, of the Willamette University at Salem.

CHEHALIS GROWS RICHER

Taxes During 1910 Will Total Close to \$1,000,000.

All the boys of the city of more than 14 years of age will be entertained at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock. Boys under that age will be welcomed beginning at 3 o'clock.

Montesano, Wash., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—County Auditor Rosmond has completed the extension of the taxes on the rolls of 1909 and turned same over to the County Treasurer. The latter officer is charged with the collection of the total sum of \$77,728.55.

Each set of boys will have one hour first in the gymnasium and will then go to the swimming pool. There will be no charge for the use of the appliances by the visitors, and some interesting feats are to be performed by way of entertainment.

This, with the local improvement taxes of the different cities and other revenues of the office will approximate \$1,000,000, to be collected during 1910 by the Treasurer.

Train Stops at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The Silverton local, which has been passing through Oregon City without stopping, now gives passengers from the southern part of the county the privilege of stopping in Oregon City. The north-bound train reaches here at 8:30 A. M. and the southbound leaves Portland at 8:30 P. M.

"Sunkist" Oranges

This is the season for delicious "Sunkist" orange desserts. Your cook book gives scores of orange delicacies to choose from. "Sunkist" oranges are ideal for table service. They are firm and juicy, full-flavored.



"Sunkist" Lemons are the choicest lemons of 5,000 California groves. They are juicy and mostly seedless. Their snappy juices make delicious desserts, ices, etc. "Sunkist" hot lemonade is the best remedy for colds. "Sunkist" Wrappers Valuable. Insist that your dealer gives you "Sunkist" oranges and lemons in "Sunkist" wrappers. Oranges and lemons without "Sunkist" wrappers are not "Sunkist" brand. Send us 12 "Sunkist" orange or lemon wrappers and 6 two-cent stamps to cover packing, mailing, etc., and we will send you, prepaid, a handsome full standard AA plate.

Rogers' Orange Spoon Free. For each additional spoon send same number of stamps and wrappers. In a short time you can easily get a full set of these spoons. Mail them to California Fruit Growers' Exchange 34 Clark St., Chicago, Ill.