

WOULD-BE WRECKER CONFESSES CRIME

Four Attempts Made to Throw Heavily-Laden Passenger Cars From Rails.

MAN HATES HUMAN RACE

Obstacles Piled on Tracks of O. W. P. and Southern Pacific Near Nickum—Officers Capture Him at His Work.

His heart filled with lust for wholesale murder, Frank Rinaldo yesterday calmly recited the story of his three attempts to hurl night passenger trains from the high trestle of the Oregon Water Power Company, and a similar effort to wreck a Southern Pacific passenger train when passing under the trestle that crosses over the electric road just east of Nickum. Rinaldo was arrested Saturday night and is confined in the County Jail.

Man Boasts of Attempts.

"I would have killed them today—lots of them—if you had not arrested me," announced Rinaldo, as he calmly faced a party of inquisitors in the County Jail yesterday afternoon. "They accused me about a girl. It was done by an Italian who has gone away. They accused me and I hate them. I hate the courts, but not the railroad."

Rinaldo made his first attempt to ditch a train the Casadero line on Thursday night last, when he heaved cordwood, fence posts and the long limb of a tree onto the middle of curved track No. 6 between Berkeley and Nickum, and at a point 20 feet above the bottom of the gulch. Retiring to a position in the brush along the hillside he waited in the darkness for the crash. The first train to approach the trestle was a freight train in charge of Conductor E. W. Calkins and Motorman A. A. Reek, and when he saw the timber lying between the rails he applied the air brakes, but succeeded only in checking the speed of the train. It struck the timber and pushed it ahead of the motor several feet.

Second Attempt Also Fails.

Westbound Casadero passenger train, in charge of Conductor D. R. Heath and Motorman A. A. Reek, and carrying 23 passengers to Portland, was stopped Friday night while checking the speed of great stones piled at a point on the trestle between Berkeley and Nickum, where it is 30 feet to the solid earth beneath.

Officials of the Oregon Water Power Company on Saturday placed the case in the hands of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, exposing the inside workings of the Medford & Crater Lake Railroad deal, will be finished this week.

Officers Make Capture.

Rinaldo then passed to the west end of the trestle, where he carried a coil of rope and a number of large rocks onto the tracks. They were of a size which precluded the possibility of failure, unless seen by the men in charge of the train. Then slipping and sliding down the bank to the Southern Pacific tracks, Rinaldo arranged a death trap for the first train which crossed the trestle. The curbs, which he hoped would conceal it from the engineers until too late to save the train.

As the man climbed back up the bank to watch the success of his plans against the electric line train, he was seized by Officers Leonard and Lillis, and after a slight resistance surrendered and coolly admitted his guilt. While the men were standing beside the trestle the same Casadero passenger train in charge of Conductor Heath did up to the obstruction, and Rinaldo grinned as the train employees rolled the stones from the track.

When questioned in the County Jail, Rinaldo answered through an interpreter, but did not attempt to deny his purpose or in any manner mitigate his crime. "I do not like the country and the courts," was his only explanation.

Written Confession Signed.

The prisoner signed a written confession in the presence of all the officers. In which he said that he had been in America, in the vicinity of Portland, about four years. During that time he has been employed as a laborer on the O. W. P. line, and later as a gardener in the vicinity of Sellwood and Nickum. In the statement made to the officers, Rinaldo says that about seven months ago a 12-year-old Italian girl was assaulted in that vicinity, and that the people with whom he was acquainted, as well as the father of the girl, laid the responsibility for the crime at his door. Unable to convince them of his innocence, Rinaldo suffered ostracism, and he asserts that treatment led to his hatred of the race. The case of the mistreatment of the little girl never was reported to the office of Sheriff Stevens, and an investigation will be made today. Officers are in possession of the names of the parents, but will not make that information public until after the story has been confirmed.

BRIDGE TO BE DISCUSSED

North East Side Committee to Consider Terms Tonight.

A special committee from the North East Side Improvement Association,

composed of D. L. Povey, Joseph Buchtel, H. H. Riddell, P. S. Myers, H. Verlan and H. Waterholter, will meet tonight in the office of M. G. Munly in the Wells Fargo building, to consider the terms offered by the Terminal Company and the O. R. & N. Company for rights of way for the Broadway bridge.

Councilman Menefee, member of the Council committee which has been negotiating with these companies, will study maps, papers and data concerning the negotiations. At the meeting of the North East Side Association Friday night the subject of indorsing the results of negotiations between the city and these companies was considered, but it was thought that the terms and conditions were not sufficiently understood to warrant positive action, and this committee was appointed to examine the concessions on both sides and report at a special meeting of the association. Councilman Menefee and others believe that it would be better to agree on rights of way than to resort to tedious condemnation proceedings.

POLICE UTTER WARNING

THIEVES LIKELY TO BE MANY DURING WEEK.

Special Care Should Be Taken to See That Doors Are Locked, Say Detectives.

That Portland will be flooded with professional crooks, burglars and sneak-thieves during the Rose Festival is the belief of the local police, and a warning was sounded yesterday to all people to dispose of their valuables in such a manner that prowlers would not find it easy to make a haul during the reign of Rex Oregonus.

Captain of Detectives Moore yesterday asked that all residents of this city use every precaution to guard their valuables during the Rose Festival. From every city on the Pacific Coast has come notifications from the police departments that an influx of "stick-up" men might be expected here this week.

Portland people are urged, above all other things, to note that their doors are locked when they leave their homes. In the excitement of the time, according to the police, many people are apt to leave their homes unsecured, and this is exactly what the invading army of marauders is watching for. Captain Moore requests that the citizens of this city take unusual caution during the coming week, citing the instance of two people who have already suffered through lack of adequate care.

Miss Evelyn LeRoy, living in the Glenwood Hotel, at Second and Salmon streets, reported to the detectives yesterday that her room had been entered during her absence and a large number of articles taken. Miss LeRoy told Captain Moore that she had left her door unlocked when she went out. She lost a quantity of silverware and jewelry, and a considerable amount of wearing apparel. Among the latter were two night gowns and a pair of silk chemises, which she had left on a table. She believes that a woman "hotel-room thief" is operating in the city.

SUIT TO LAST OVER WEEK

Many Witnesses Remain in Devlin's Action for \$82,500.

There is little hope that Thomas C. Devlin's \$82,500 suit against the former directors of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, exposing the inside workings of the Medford & Crater Lake Railroad deal, will be finished this week. Attorney A. E. Clark, representing Devlin, said last night that the testimony of his witnesses will probably consume four days, as he has 15 witnesses. The eight lawyers for the defendants will begin putting on their testimony, which may consume another week.

W. H. Moore, ex-president of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, one of the defendants in the present suit, was on the witness stand when Judge Gatens adjourned court Saturday night during the recess. E. E. Lytle, another defendant, will be called as soon as their testimony is finished. Attorney Clark does not expect to reach Lytle's testimony until tomorrow morning, however.

SUNDAY DANCING STOPPED

Chief Cox Sends Warning to Manager of the Oaks.

There will be no Sunday dances at the Oaks this Summer, if Chief of Police Cox has anything to say about it. Those who delight in tripping the light fantastic in the cool evenings of Summer will have to enjoy themselves on days other than Sunday.

Academic Psychology to Be Topic.

Professor E. Tauch, Ph. D., of Ohio State University, will give a series of lectures on the value of academic psychology at the Y. M. C. A. during the coming week. The first of these will be given tonight, beginning at 8 o'clock in room 418 of the educational department. The lectures are free and are of special interest to the students of the artist, the business man, the teacher, the minister, the physician, the lawyer, the politician and the student of moral and social problems. The first will deal with eyesight and color.

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CIRCUS IS IN TOWN

Multnomah and Hunt Clubs Rehearse Tonight.

STUNTS NOW 30 IN NUMBER

Programme of Interest Planned for Three Performances, Wednesday and Friday Nights and Saturday Afternoon.

Multnomah Field presented a very busy scene all day yesterday in preparation for the society circus, for members of the Multnomah Club and Portland Hunt Club, who will jointly perform in the big show, were rehearsing their respective stunts while workmen by the score were constructing dressing tents and erecting the main tent.

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CONCERT OPENS REVELRY

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STRIKE NATIONAL ISSUE

MACHINISTS TO WAGE 8-HOUR CAMPAIGN EVERYWHERE.

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Marshfield Schools Close.

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SETTLEMENT OF THE QUESTION

"They are W. H. Corbett, of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works; Frank of the Washington Iron Works at Seattle, and Patterson, of Moran's shipyards at Seattle." These three, the strikers say, have stood in the way of an agreement and have intimidated the smaller employers.

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