

# YOUNG MESSENGER CONFESSES FRAUD

### Supposed Robbery of Express Car Only Ruse to Cover Theft of \$20,000.

## BROTHER IS IMPLICATED

### Under Operation of "Third Degree," 22-Year-Old Employee Tells How He Wounded Himself to Simulate Murderous Attack.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 15.—Marvin W. Hamby, the 22-year-old express messenger, whose car on the Sunset Western train of the Santa Fe Railroad was robbed of \$20,145 in gold near here last week, broke down today and confessed he had robbed the safe with the aid of his 18-year-old brother, Melvin.

The money, which had been hidden by the boys in a brickyard at Kern Junction, was recovered, with the exception of \$300, which was found in Melvin's room. Both brothers are in jail.

After having made his confession, Hamby led officers to the place where the money had been buried and where the brother was taken into custody.

The robbery was committed last Monday night.

**Injury Successfully Simulated.**

After telling a story of an attack by two robbers who had laid him unconscious with a blow on the head, the young messenger was taken to a hospital in Taft, where he simulated injury so successfully that not until yesterday was he seriously suspected. Then he was brought back here and today was subjected to a "third degree" for five hours by railroad and express detectives.

Finally, breaking down, Hamby threw his hands over his head and, weeping, sobbed out:

"Oh, I did it myself."

Then he told where the money was buried, how he had conceived the plan of the robbery and how he had carried it out.

**Younger Boy Under Orders.**

In his confession Hamby considered the entire responsibility for the theft, declaring that, although Melvin had taken them from the train and buried them, the younger had done everything under instructions.

"I knew that my car was to carry a heavy shipment of gold to the First National Bank of Taft about the 10th of the month," said Hamby, "so I forced Melvin at Kern Junction with instructions to have a lantern and shovel. As we passed Kern Junction, three miles from Bakersfield, I heaved off the bags of gold."

"Then I bumped my head against a trunk to make persons believe I had been hit through the bandit, and just before the train pulled into Taft, I bound myself hand and foot and rooted my head under a pile of mail sacks, I was lying like that when railroad men and a Constable in Taft came into my car."

**Money to Have Laid Buried.**

"When they questioned me I told them two bandits had entered the car just after we had passed Maricopa, and that after striking me on the head and knocking me out they had rifled the express safe, taking all of the \$20,000 consigned to the First National Bank in Taft."

The two agreed that they would let the money lie buried until excitement abated and the manhunt, which was immediately instituted by county, city and railroad authorities, had been given up.

Hamby had been an express messenger on the Sunset Western run for nearly a year.

# DAUGHTER OF LATE RAILROAD MAGNATE, WHOSE ENGAGEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY.



MISS HELEN MILLER GOULD.

## MISS GOULD TO WED

### Bridegroom-to-Be Is Finley J. Shepard, of St. Louis.

## GOULD FAMILY PLEASSED

### Friendship Begins in June, 1911, on Tour of Inspection of Railroad Y. M. C. A's—Fluence Once With Northern Pacific.

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and upwards of a million dollars. Several railroad Y. M. C. A. buildings, others for naval men and several for the Young Women's Christian Association have been erected in various cities through her generosity.

**Benefactions Take Unique Form.**

Unique forms of her charity has been receptions she has given to waiters and self-supporting women at her estate near Tarrytown, N. Y., which includes a great playground especially fitted up for these parties. She has never been attracted by society.

Only last July Miss Gould figured in a controversy with Rev. Elmer F. Huffner, of Grand Junction, Colo., when he dealt severely with "bachelor maid" in a sermon, declaring spinsters should be isolated.

Miss Gould was quoted as replying that he did a great injustice to these "bachelor maids," particularly to those who were devoting themselves to ideal for the advancement of civilization. As to her own case, she said:

"If I had found a suitable helpmate, I might have spent my money in a different way and a way which might not have done as much good as this."

Since the death of her parents, Miss Gould has been the intimate friend of Mrs. Russell Sage, who has been one of her advisers in business and philanthropy.

## OFFERS OF MARRIAGE MANY Friends Taken by Surprise at Result of Western Trip.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Wealth in her own right, Miss Gould probably has received more proposals of marriage than any other woman in the world from suitors who offered crowns and suitors who had none. She has evaded so persistently and so decidedly that none of her friends suspected that when she went West on a tour of inspection of the railroad Young Men's Christian Association, she was starting on a trip that eventually would lead her to the altar.

Miss Gould, with many officials of the Gould roads and their wives left St. Louis last year for a tour of the association branches. Among the party was Mr. Shepard.

During the trip Mr. Shepard and Miss Gould were in each other's company much of the time and he seemed to take a keen interest in the project which Miss Gould was furthering. When the trip ended the attachment had grown to the stronger sentiment, and after Miss Gould's return to New York frequent communication and visits resulted in the betrothal announcement today.

Mr. Shepard is a native of Connecticut. He served the railroad service in 1899 in the general offices of the Northern Pacific at St. Paul. After he had advanced to the position of assistant general manager of that road he left in 1901 to go to the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe at Chicago. The following year he was advanced to general superintendent in charge of the Coast Lines of the Santa Fe with headquarters at Los Angeles, where he remained three years, leaving to engage in private business with railroad connections.

He went to the operating department of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain in June, 1911. When Mr. Bush, president of the system, was chosen also to head the Denver & Rio Grande in January of this year Mr. Shepard was selected as his assistant on the latter road. Recently he was appointed assistant to Mr. Bush on the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain Road.

He is well informed in musical mat-

## FRIENDSHIP 18 MONTHS OLD Couple Meet on Tour of Inspection of Railroad Y. M. C. A's.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Finley J. Shepard met Miss Gould soon after he entered the operating department of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain lines in June, 1911. He accompanied Miss Gould and her party last March over the Denver & Rio Grande when she made a tour of inspection of the railroad's Y. M. C. A. buildings. A close friendship sprang up from that trip.

Mr. Shepard is 45 years old and the son of a Connecticut minister who died recently. He has been in railroad work since 1889. Before entering the service of the Missouri Pacific he was with the Northern Pacific and the Santa Fe. When B. F. Bush, president of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain lines, was chosen president of the Denver & Rio Grande in January, 1912, Mr. Shepard was selected as his assistant and recently his appointment as assistant to President Bush on the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain with jurisdiction over all departments was announced.

Since coming to St. Louis 18 months ago Mr. Shepard has been very socially and is known as a lover of books, a musician of critical taste, and an all-round athlete.

## VANCOUVER MAN VICTIM GEORGE WALLACE FOUND SUFFERING FROM WOUNDS.

Injured Person Says That He Was Lured Onto Federal Reservation and Attacked.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—George Wallace, aged 38, married, was found in the garret this morning in a weakened condition from wounds inflicted on his body. He was taken to the post hospital for treatment.

Wallace has been arrested several times for beating his wife. The last occasion was on December 1. He was released December 2. In the morning Wallace had been working at the North Bank roundhouse, but yesterday his connection was severed.

He was seen on the street, under the influence of liquor, about 10:30 o'clock last night.

According to Wallace, he was induced by two soldiers to go to the reservation last night, and when he objected to their treatment of him they pulled out a knife and slashed him and left him lying on the ground.

Suffering from cold and loss of blood, Wallace was in a very weakened condition this morning when found.

There is no evidence that it was soldiers who mutilated Wallace. Colonel Young is investigating.

# AERONAUTS DRIVEN TO SEA, BUT SAVED

### Attaining Altitude of 8000 Feet in Gale, Two Men and Boy Descend into Ocean.

## BOATS RACE TO RESCUE

### Racing Sloop and Motor-Boat Arrive Promptly on Spot—One Man Is Unconscious, Other Swims With Young Companion.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Two men and a boy were rescued from a captive balloon that was parted from its cable in Venice, a seashore resort, by a 36-mile gale, was rescued today four miles at sea.

One of the men, Sidney Neal Hampton, the balloon's pilot, was unconscious when his body was disentangled from the mass of cordage enveloping the big gasbag. John Waggoner, the other man, was picked up as he was battling with the heavy seas for the life of the last Charles Jordan, aged 9 years. The boy was uninjured.

The rescue was effected within ten minutes after the balloon struck the water. Captain George Childs of the motor vessel Music, dragged Hampton aboard, while the crew of the racing sloop Mischief picked up Waggoner and the boy Jordan from the water some distance from where the sand-weighted balloon had sunk.

**Wind Blowing Dangerous Gale.**

The gasbag, with its vents pulled wide open, was fast being deflated and threatening momentarily to envelop the two men and the boy and press them beneath the surface when the Music and the Mischief sped alongside.

Although the wind was blowing at a dangerous velocity all day, Hampton took Waggoner and young Jordan in the balloon basket for an ascension. An instant after the strain and the balloon shot upward. In a few moments it had attained an altitude of several thousand feet and was watched by hundreds of spectators, already under a strain by the seemingly hopeless quest for Kearny.

From Avalon, the port of Catalina Island, motorboats breasted the seas kicked up by the northeast gale. At the same time the Music, accompanied by the Mischief, with sails close reefed, bounded out from behind the San Pedro breakwater.

By that time the balloon, which was visible from Point Firm, had attained an estimated altitude of 8000 feet. Seeing that the gale was driving the balloon seaward at terrific speed, Hampton pulled his gas vents open and a peach-shaped bag began dropping rapidly.

Captain Childs, of the Music, headed his vessel straight out to sea, and he and the Mischief were close reefed under its press of canvas, raced first to the rescue.

**Man Saves Boy.**

The balloon basket struck the water with a splash and almost immediately rarely fell. Hampton and Waggoner, the latter with the Jordan boy in his arms, were up above it, however, clinging to the web of ropes spread over the balloon.

The rescuing boats were beside them almost instantly, and Hampton, unconscious and almost drowned, was taken aboard the Mischief and drawn aboard the Music. The crew of the Mischief found Waggoner swimming a few feet away with the Jordan boy, and saved them both.

All three were taken to a hospital to spend the night.

## OUTLAW SOON TRAILED COLORADO HIGHWAYMAN MAY BE ESCAPED MURDERER.

### Vigilance of Train Crew Responsible for Capture of Robber Who Shot One of Victims.

LEADVILLE, Colo., Dec. 15.—The lone robber who held up the station agent and three other men at Pando, 20 miles west of Leadville, last night and murdered one of his victims, William Maxfield, is suspected of being Frank L. Smith, a murderer who escaped last week from the Brighton jail.

In an hour and 30 minutes after the holdup and the desperado had been captured by members of a bridge crew, and now is in jail at Red Cliff. He gives his name as Burns.

Robert Miller, a German Hercules were waiting for westbound passenger No. 5 when the bandit, wearing a black handkerchief tied over the lower part of his face, entered. He covered the two men and Kinney with his revolver and fired one shot at the ceiling to extinguish the light and another shot inside the room where Kinney was working. This shot just grazed the agent.

While the robber was thus engaged, Maxfield, an employe at the ice pond, entering the building, was ordered to step with the other passengers. Securing Kinney's watch and \$150 in cash the robber lined up the four men and ordered them to march ahead of him down the track. He allowed Kinney to return, however, as a train was approaching. Maxfield did not move fast enough, and being slightly deaf, failed to hear the command of the holdup man to "hurry." The robber then struck him over the head with the butt of his weapon and fired one shot into his breast as the man fell.

The others were released after proceeding a short distance and the robber disappeared.

In the meantime Kinney had given the alarm and a gang of brigsmen, heavily armed, boarded an eastbound freight train suspecting that the desperado was hidden in one of the cars. When the freight stopped in Tennessee Pass the train was searched and the man found in the ice bunker Pando and identified as the robber.

In the jail, after giving his name as "Burns," the man refused to answer questions.

## BUNCO COTTAGE RAIDED Wire-Tapping Apparatus Has Innocent Housing in Coronado.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Detectives today swooped down upon an innocent-appearing cottage in Coronado and in it found the most elaborate bunco outfit ever discovered in this vicinity. There was a complete set of fake wire-tapping apparatus, including dummy telephones, telegraph instruments, wall boxes and bookmaker's boards. There was also a grip full of bogus money.

The raid followed a complaint made by Ernest Schiebe, a recent arrival from Montreal, who said he had been swindled of \$350 in money and a check for \$1000 playing imaginary races with the aid of a wire supposed to have been tapped.

A man giving the name of Randolph was arrested on a charge of having been concerned in the swindle.

## HOME'S MANAGER RESIGNS Official at Sawtelle Says He Intended to Quit, Anyhow.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Colonel T. J. Cochrane, governor of the Soldiers' Home in Sawtelle, has forwarded his resignation to the board of managers of the National Soldiers' Home.

Cochrane's management of the home was the subject of recent Senatorial investigation. He said today he had intended resigning before the investigation because of ill health, but because of the action of the inquiry he postponed his resignation until the completion of the investigation.

## CHEESE SCORING IS HIGH Competition Keen for Prizes Offered at Tillamook.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—There was a large attendance at the

Tillamook Commercial Club Thursday of cheesemakers and dairymen to witness the cheese-scoring contest arranged by the Tillamook County Creamery Association. Ten prizes were offered. All the large co-operative cheese companies participated and sent a display of Tillamook's famous cheese from their factories, which was placed on exhibition in the clubroom with the cheese that was entered for the contest.

President Shrode, of the Commercial Club, welcomed the dairymen and others, and some of the best talent of the city, including Mrs. F. W. Christensen, Mrs. D. A. Mackenzie, Mrs. L. E. Baker and James Hiner, entertained the visitors while the cheese was being scored, which was no easy task, as most of the prizes were for the general supervision of F. W. Christensen, who is employed as inspector and grader of the cheese.

Deputy Dairy and Food Commissioner E. T. Judd made an address. The arrangements were in the hands of Carl Haberlach, F. W. Christensen and George Williams. The scores were: C. Christensen, O. Friedl, of Portland, and E. T. Judd. The ten highest scores were as follows, all of whom were awarded prizes: Three Rivers Creamery, John Pennock maker, 94.66; Clover Leaf Creamery, Harry Thomas maker, 94.06; Long Prairie Creamery, H. M. Geberstein maker, 93.08; Fairview Dairy Association, Adrian Tinner maker, 92.50; South Prairie Creamery, Albert Schlappi maker, 94.44; Tillamook Creamery, Andrew Christensen, 93.33; Mohler Creamery, Hugh Barber maker, 93.25; East Beaver cheese factory, T. W. Hines, maker, 92.25; Pleasant Valley Cheese Company, N. N. Kerby maker, 92.41; Maple Leaf Creamery, Guy Ford maker, 91.41.

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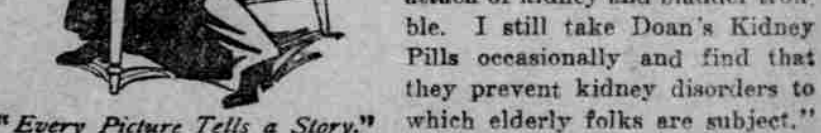


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# Those Rheumatic Twinges Portland Proof

### Testimony of a Resident of Clackamas Street.

### Mrs. A. S. Cummings, 244 Clackamas St., Portland, Or., says: "The public statement I gave in 1903, recommending Doan's Kidney Pills, holds good. This remedy relieved me at that time of a severe attack of kidney and bladder trouble. I still take Doan's Kidney Pills occasionally and find that they prevent kidney disorders to which elderly folks are subject."



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## EXPLOSION SPREADS FEAR Woman Who Hears Safecracker Too Scared to Report.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Crackmen last night blew open the large safe at the Idaho Wood Company's yard in Pittsburg street, demolishing the entire interior of the office building, breaking out all of the window lights in the structure, hurling the safe against the wall on the other side of the building. The combination had not been turned and the safe door was unlocked at the time of the explosion.

The yeggmen secured nothing of value from the strong box, the robbers fleeing in fright because of the noise of the explosion which was heard several blocks.

Nitroglycerine was used but the inner door remained on its hinges after the explosion. The safe contained valuable papers.

Mrs. F. R. Kelly, who lives about a block from the wood company's office, said: "I heard the noise of the explosion about 9 o'clock, but was too frightened to report the matter."

## BOYS KILL LARGE CRANE Lads Think Bird Is Stork, and Wonder Where Is Baby.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A long-legged crane, two boys and a dog were the principals in a tragedy today in Oregon Slough on Hayden Island, in which the storklike bird lost its life.

The boys, with their .22 caliber rifle and shepherd dog, were hunting on the island and came upon the crane standing on one leg, and probably asleep. Crawling close, one boy fired and wounded the big crane. The dog followed the crane, which could not fly, but tried to get to deeper water, and succeeded in setting the bird's leg. Soon the boys overtook the two floundering creatures, and, wrapping a handkerchief around the crane's bill, picked him up bodily and carried him home.

"Look, mamma, we've got a stork," the boys shouted, as they arrived at home, "but he didn't have a baby when we got him."

## REGIMENTS TO BE SHIFTED Fourteenth Expected to Replace Negro Troops in Northwest.

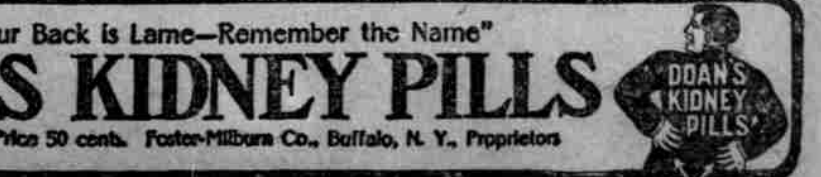
OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 15.—Though not definitely determined, it is probable that the Fourteenth Infantry, now stationed at Fort Harrison and Fort Missoula, Mont., and Fort Lincoln, N. D., will replace the Twenty-fifth Infantry at Fort Lawley and Fort Wright when the colored regiment goes to Hawaii in January. If this move is made, it is probable no troops will replace the Fourteenth Infantry at the posts named, as all are slated for abandonment.



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