

PLOT TO ESCAPE FROM JAIL FAILS

Baker County Sheriff Finds Several 16-Inch Knives Hidden in Mattress.

INDICTED MAN CONFESSES

Murder of Jailor Held Possibility in Scheme; Previous Attempt at Escape Frustrated by County Officials.

BAKER, Or., June 5.—(Special).—A plot possibly to murder the jailer and permit escape of prisoners from the County Jail was frustrated this afternoon when Sheriff Anderson found concealed in a mattress in one of the cells, several large knives with blades about 16 inches long.

Investigation developed that G. H. Flock, who, following his indictment, voluntarily appeared at the jail last evening and gave himself up, had brought in the knives.

He admitted this under examination but gave no reason and would not state whether or not he had been in communication with prisoners inside the jail previous to his own incarceration. Flock, who had been under bonds on a burglary charge, told the officers that his bondsmen did not want to be responsible for him any longer and at their request had come to give himself up. The story was plausible and no suspicion was aroused until after discovery of the knives when officers believed they had uncovered a plot to commit murder if necessary to effect jail delivery.

This latest effort followed an attempt a few days ago by several inmates of the jail to escape by removing a steel plate from the ceiling of the jail corridor. This was discovered after a dozen or more rivets had been hammered off with a piece of gas pipe which mysteriously found its way into the jail.

Two prisoners suspected of plotting escape, Fred Sparks and J. E. Montrose, charged with burglary here and arrested at North Yakima, with watches and jewelry taken from a Baker residence on them. Sparks has pleaded guilty and Montrose has not entered a plea yet.

From now on the men will be allowed to see no visitors and callers at the jail will not be allowed to enter unless willing to undergo search. Sheriff Anderson believes that discovery of the knives has prevented the killing or serious injury of the particular deputy who happened to be in charge of jail at the time prisoners might make their attempt to escape.

PRIME STOCK PARADES

UNION COUNTY EXHIBITS BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE SEEN.

Prices to Be Awarded Today in Northwest Classic—3000 Spectators Turn Out First Day.

LA GRANDE, Or., June 5.—(Special).—Black, fattened and conspicuous for its style and class, the cream of Union County stock passed in proud review before 3000 admiring spectators today afternoon at Union as the feature of the opening day of the 1918 stock classic of the Northwest.

The Union pens and stalls are crammed with an exhibit line that has had no equal in years past. E. A. Throbridge, of Colton, Mo., who is judge of the stock, is profuse in his praise of the exhibits.

While some minor decisions have been reached, the big plums of the show will not be announced until tomorrow. The programme was varied this year a little by having the parade in front of the grandstand instead of downtown as usual. Governor Withycombe will be on the ground for the rest of the three days.

Tomorrow is La Grande and Baker day, and from the first-named district the merchants are coming in a body, abandoning their business at 10. M. The La Grande Battalion, Oregon State Guard, will participate in the festivities tomorrow. In view of the record first-day crowd today and the added features tomorrow, it is felt the capacity of the plant will be taxed.

The weather promises to be ideal again for fast racing programmes such as were enjoyed today. After the doors closed today the promoters at Union held a love feast and declared today's events and the exhibits the best of any opening day in the history of what has come to be recognized as the finest stock show of the Northwest. The war has not sapped the vitality of Union County stock or hindered the attendance.

100 TAKE TEST TONIGHT

Benson Polytechnic Shipbuilding Course Attracts Attention.

One hundred Portland men, shipbuilders and non-shipbuilders, will take the formal examination tonight in the shipbuilding course which has been given at the Benson Polytechnic School at night since April 27.

This course has attracted the widest attention in Portland on account of the timeliness of the subject and the prominence of the men who gave the lectures and demonstrations. Superintendent Alderman, of the city schools, conceived the idea of the course and with the assistance of Lloyd Wentworth, of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, the class in shipbuilding was successfully launched in April. J. L. Hubbard, chief inspector of hulls for the United States Shipping Board, Fred W. Ballin, of Suple-Ballin, and J. H. Abbott, head of the hull construction department of the Grant Smith-Porter Company, cooperated with Mr. Alderman in arranging the course. Mr. Abbott had charge of the lectures and outlined the course of instruction, while the other men acted in an advisory capacity.

The men who pass the examination will be awarded a certificate from the Portland Public Schools certifying to the completion of the full course of 12 lessons on the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation's standard wood ship. Ferris design, and the successful passing of a written examination on the subject.

Coos Bay Weather Warm.

MARSHFIELD, Or., June 5.—(Special).—Coos Bay sweltered today in the hottest day of summer, when the thermometer touched 85.5. The usual cool northwest breeze was changed to a desert torridness and there were forest fires burning in several places, which served to cast a pall of Indian Summer over the district.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.
 Liberty—Norma Talmadge, "De Luxe Annie."
 Majestic—Mae Marsh, "The Face in the Dark."
 Peoples—Sergeant Arthur Guy Empey, "Over the Top."
 Columbia—Marguerite Clark, "Prunella."
 Star—Enid Bennett, "Naughty, Naughty."
 Sunset—Charles Ray, "The Clodhopper."
 Globe—Sessue Hayakawa, "Each to His Kind."

Majestic.
 The current Majestic photoplay bill is one of the most versatile film offerings in months, for in addition to Mae Marsh in the Irvin S. Cobb five-reeler, "The Face in the Dark," a special war subject, "Our Ally, the Tank," a Christie comedy and Pathe News of world events are on the programme.

"The Face in the Dark" is a crook photoplay, with Miss Marsh in the role of a girl who discovers that her father, retired from the secret service, is head of a gang of criminals. How she saves her father, unmasks the man higher up—the face in the dark—and brings an actionful and highly dramatic tale to a satisfactory conclusion gives the fan a Marsh picture of more than ordinary "punch."

Liberty.
 Norma Talmadge gives a brilliant performance in "De Luxe Annie," her latest photoplay, which has the unusual distinction of a full week's engagement at the Liberty Theater. This photodrama, with the two-reel Mack Sennett comedy, "Love Loops the Loop," will be shown until Saturday night.

Eugene O'Brien and Frank Mills, two well-known and popular actors, support Miss Talmadge in "De Luxe Annie," which takes a girl from a wealthy American home and transforms her into a crook. A blow on the head causes a loss of memory and when she falls into the hands of men working the well-known "badger" game, De Luxe Annie the second proves superior to the woman she succeeds.

Peoples.
 "Over the Top," the spectacular production starring Sergeant Arthur Guy Empey, soldier-author-lecturer, will be the Peoples' attraction, extraordinary until Saturday night.

"Over the Top" is the one story of life in the trenches that has touched every responsive soul in America. Since the book was published 250 copies have been sold during every business hour, every day—or better than four copies every minute. In all more than 2,000,000 people have read it. More than 25,000,000 people have read Empey's in the great newspapers of the country. Many thousands have been fortunate enough to crowd their way into the limited capacity of the great hall where Empey has lectured.

Sunset.
 "The Clodhopper," the second Charles Ray picture of the week at the Sunset Theater, opens its engagement this morning. A Mack Sennett comedy is another subject on this comedy programme.

In "The Clodhopper," in which Margery Wilson, now a star in her own right, supports the popular Ray, the star plays another "hoop" role and jumps from chore boy on a farm to a vaudeville headliner in New York. It all comes about because his father didn't want him to have any real fun so he ran away to the big city and broke into a chorus rehearsal for a new girl show. He makes a hit with his rube dance and lands a job that makes him wealthy enough to pay off the mortgage on the old home.

Star.
 Enid Bennett is a film star who promises to become popular with fandom, at least if she continues in such productions as "Naughty, Naughty," in which she is appearing at the Star Theater. This Paramount-Ince five-reeler, with a Chester Conklin-Mack Sennett comedy, "Singed and Scorched," provide an all-comedy bill at the Star.

"Naughty, Naughty," presents Miss Bennett, an Australian convert to the camera, as a small-town girl who goes to New York, tastes of the joys of the metropolis and returns home determined to bring a bit of new life into the sleepy old village. She scandalizes the good people with her pranks, but finally wins a victory over the church

10c GLOBE 10c
 Washington at Eleventh
SESSUE HAYAKAWA
 IN
"Each to His Kind"



MAKE PRUSSIA WAR SICK, SAYS LANSING

Secretary Declares U. S. Will Make Fighting Abhorrent to the German Mind.

HUN PEACE IS DENOUNCED

Cabinet Officer Delivers Militant Speech at Commencement Exercises of Columbia University.

NEW YORK, June 5.—Suggestions of peace based on a "perpetuation of Prussianism" and criticisms of the Government and the conduct of the war, "which are not constructive" were condemned by Secretary of State Lansing here today.

Prussia having "wickedly sought war," the Secretary said, it is the determination of the American people that "Prussia shall have war and more war and more war, until the very thought of war is abhorrent to the Prussian mind."

Mr. Lansing spoke at the commencement exercises of Columbia University which conferred upon him and upon Lord Reading, the British Ambassador, the honorary degree of doctor of laws.

Selfish Critic Denounced.
 "In the gigantic task of waging the war," Secretary Lansing said, "let us not continually look behind to see where we stumbled, but let us look forward so that we do not stumble again. For the critic of public affairs who is manifestly inspired by political or selfish motives by conceit or by a desire for notoriety, I have a profound contempt."

"As we turn deaf ears to common scolds at home, so we must not relent our efforts to listen to insincere suggestions of peace filtering through from Germany, by various channels. A Prussian peace would only postpone the final struggle."

"It is the supreme task of civilization to put an end to Prussianism. To listen to proposals for a Prussian peace, to compromise with the butchers of individuals and of nations so that they would by agreement gain a benefit by their crime would be to compound an international felony, which this republic will never do."

Complete Victory Predicted.
 Mr. Lansing declared that force is the only way "to end Prussianism, because it is the only thing which the Prussian respects."

He recognized the enemy as strong and stubborn and predicted a bitter struggle, but predicted "a day of complete victory, for the Supreme Ruler of the universe could not be free otherwise. He has imposed upon us and will impose the task of freeing mankind from the curse of avarice and inhumanity."

Lord Reading rated the wisdom and justice of President Wilson as one of the greatest assets of the allies in the war. He termed England the home of "that justice which has won the admiration of the world" and said the colonists of pre-revolutionary days had brought it to this continent.

DRY LAWS VIOLATOR FINED

George Protzka to Be Tried Today on Larceny Charge.

George Protzka, of the Grand Hotel, 41 North Third street, who was arrested recently on a charge of violating the prohibition law, was tried by a jury yesterday in Municipal Court and was found guilty. Judge Rossman imposed a fine of \$150.

Protzka sold a thirty Oregonian a quart of whisky for \$10, so the story goes, and not being satisfied with the amount which the other had paid him willingly, "stuck around" until his victim was well under the influence of liquor and then proceeded to search his pockets for an additional sum, it is alleged. He will be tried this morning for larceny.

SUNSET

STARTS TODAY



CHARLES RAY

"n for the rest of the week he'll knock 'em cold with

The Clodhopper

in which he is the Darkest Dare-Devil Dancing-Dervisher you ever saw, b'gosh.
 Starts 10 A. M. Continuous to 11 P. M.
 Even, 15c.
 Mats, 10c.
 Kids, 5c.



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