

MAJOR CERTAIN OF MONEY FOR REWARD

\$18,500 to Be Paid for Capture of Murderers.

ONE PLEDGE FULFILLED

City of Portland Unable to Appropriate Funds, but Subscription Will Be Taken.

The reward of \$18,500 offered by officials and citizens of Oregon for the arrest and conviction of the murderers of J. N. Burgess and George E. Ferringer will be paid. One thousand dollars of the reward already has been paid to Mayor Baker and the remainder primarily will be paid in the hands of the mayor early next week.

Mayor Baker has confirmed all the pledges made and in every instance has found the offers bona fide. Assurance that the full reward would be paid was made by Mayor Baker after rumors had been started that some of the money offered following the murder would not be forthcoming.

News Story Denied. The article in the Portland News Wednesday afternoon intimating that the city of Portland had gone back on its offer and that a large amount of the money pledged would not be paid is a vicious and malicious lie, said Mayor Baker yesterday. This statement is the emanation of a vicious mind, a person who is bent upon causing trouble, even though to do so he must falsely accuse men who have made honest offers to capture some dangerous criminals.

I have in my possession a telegram from Mayor (Frank) Smith of Pendleton which pledges \$7000 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties in this tragedy. I have enclosed to the other offers and in every case the money is forthcoming and will be paid. The only ripple in the whole deal is in the case of the reward offered by myself in behalf of the city. In this case the money will be paid, although under the plan of the city council are behind me and already have pledged their aid in the raising of the money. If the money is not collected through public subscriptions I will make it good myself. There is absolutely no foundation for a statement that the reward will not be paid.

Division to Be Agreed On. The manner in which the reward will be divided has not been settled, and will not be until the money has been collected, the guilty parties convicted and sentenced and only after a conference between all the men participating in the capture of the bandits. This procedure has been decided upon by Mayor Baker and Chief of Police Jenkins to insure an absolutely satisfactory settlement.

City Commissioner Pier yesterday withdrew an ordinance he had prepared, appropriating \$1000 from the general fund to cover the pledge made by the mayor. In making the withdrawal, Commissioner Pier complimented the mayor for his action, saying an emergency had existed and that the mayor had followed the proper course. All members of the council expressed themselves as behind the mayor and willing to aid in raising the money.

BEACH DEVICES BOUGHT COASTER WILL BE INSTALLED AT COLUMBIA RESORT. Manager Rieg Returns From East Where He Inspected Equipment Popular With Public. Columbia beach is to have some of the newest attractions that have been devised by the genius of men who devote their talents to evolving methods of entertaining the American public. The installation of a new roller coaster will take place during the winter months. Joseph M. Rieg, manager of the resort, has just returned from a trip that included all of the larger cities of the country, where he studied the improvements and like the modiste who goes to Paris between seasons, returns with reservations on some of the fashions that will blossom next year.

After inspecting the attractions that Nantucket offers to amuse the Bostonese and seeing how New Yorkers consider good sport at Coney Island, Manager Rieg proposes to give Portland folk a treat in the bit bag. He has contracted with the A. Miller Construction company of Baltimore for a coaster that will prove one of the big additions for the coming year. Several other amusement devices are planned, but this is the only one for which the contract has been closed. Henry Page is now on his way from Baltimore to make the survey and make preparations to start work on the new coaster.

Workmen are improving the roads, building sidewalks and putting the grounds in shape for next year. A baseball park will be established, with a grandstand, and it is expected a number of games of note will be played on the diamond by city clubs during the season.

FIRE ALARM RECORD MADE Bureau Reports 24 Calls for Department in Day. The record for the largest number of fire alarms turned into the fire bureau in one day in 1919 was established yesterday with a alarm. Most of the calls were for flame fires and in no case was serious damage done. Assistant Fire Marshal Roberts, in charge of the arson squad, said yesterday that while the heavy east wind continues people should refrain from burning rubbish in their furnaces and stoves. Captain Roberts also said that fire alarm boxes calling out the entire department should not be used in the case of burning fires, but the telephone stand, calling out the fire bureau, after which one fire company will be dispatched. In fire fires a single company and in many cases a single fireman can handle the situation.

Aberdeen Sugar Plentiful. ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—The sugar crop at Aberdeen Harbor has been relieved to the extent that growers are now selling a full dollar's worth at a time instead of 12 cents worth a few weeks ago. The allowance being raised to 25 and then to 40 cents.

COURTROOM SCENE WHEN CLAREMONT TAVERN BANDITS AND MURDERERS ENTERED PLEAS TO INDICTMENTS CHARGING KILLING OF J. N. BURGESS AND GEORGE E. FERRINGER.



Reading from left to right—(Standing) James Ogle, first of trio to plead guilty to second-degree murder; Walter Banaster, alias "Dutch" Herman; and David Smith, accused of being actual slayer of Pendleton men; Chief Deputy District Attorney Joseph Hammersley; Judge Gatens (on the bench); and Joseph Rogers, clerk of court (directly in front of jurist).

THREE ROBBERS GET LIFE BURGESS' AND FERRINGER'S SLAYERS PLEAD GUILTY.

Judge Gatens Tells Pair They Are Lucky to Escape Noose; Ogle Blamed for Shooting.

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Head, Smith was flushed and nervous but the cooler of the two, Joseph L. Hammersley, deputy district attorney, read the indictment first to Banaster and asked him if he desired to change his plea of not guilty to the charge. Banaster replied that he did but that he desired to "explain the situation" before so doing. Given permission, he showed acute embarrassment, and turned to Smith.

"Mr. Smith will explain things," he said. "I wish to make a plea of guilty," began Smith, as spokesman, "but before doing so I want it understood and to go in the court record that I and Mr. Banaster absolutely did not have anything to do with the shooting. I realize that I am a party guilty as if I did the actual shooting. The man that did the shooting is the man that pleaded guilty, only he is not man enough to come out and say it. I want everyone here to understand that did not do it, neither did Mr. Banaster. The mere fact of my presence at the time of the shooting makes me as guilty as I know, but James Ogle, the man who pleaded guilty this afternoon, is the one who killed those men."

In answer to a question, Smith replied that he was 23 years old, and had no criminal record of any kind. "I endorse the statement of Mr. Smith," spoke up Banaster. "I was downstairs when the shooting occurred. This statement will be indorsed and verified by several persons who saw me there. Mr. Ogle done the shooting, I guess I participated in the robbery."

"You men are sorry you did this thing," asked Attorney Goldstein. "Very sorry," both boys replied, almost in unison. "The black button shoes Ogle says are his are mine," ventured Smith. "The two small guns he claims he used in the robbery were mine," interposed Banaster. "The moment that Banaster, by far the less prepossessing of the couple and a man with a criminal record, addressed the court, he was formally entered his plea of guilty. "Well, your honor, I expect a little leniency from you," he said. "I am young and I want another chance in this life."

"Leniency is beyond this court," answered Judge Gatens. "The law fixes the penalty. You may congratulate yourselves that there is not capital punishment in this state, for you are as guilty as if your finger pulled the trigger. If there was a death penalty you both would be hanged just as sure as you breathe now. "If you had only exercised the same amount of energy to make an honest living, rather than on the dishonest one, you might have made a success of life. You have both strength and intelligence and if you had applied these you would make twice as much money as you could make dishonestly. And honest money goes farther and gives more pleasure. No man ever gained anything by being crooked."

Hangers Are Cited. The jurist referred to famous cases in the history of Oregon where murderer and accomplice who did not participate in the killing both hanged for the crime, and told them the same might well have happened to them if capital punishment had been in force. "There is no doubt in the world that by this time next year there will be a law on the statute books of Oregon that will make capital punishment," he predicted in conclusion. The charges were again read, and Smith formally entered his plea of guilty. Deputy Hammersley thought Banaster had pleaded, but Judge Gatens was not sure of the plea, and asked him before passing sentence. Banaster replied that he had not. "Do you want to plead?" "Well, I suppose I don't know, but I think I might as well," he temporized, postponing the time Ogle pleaded guilty and the other men changed their pleas. Inspectors Tackaberry and Phillips, to whose activity is generally credited the capture of the highwaymen, visited the recalcitrant ones in their cells, persuading them that fighting the case would avail them nothing, as they had already admitted highway robbery, for which crime the maximum penalty is life imprisonment. Judge Gatens had announced that he would sentence them to the limit under the robbery charge. Trial of Smith and Banaster had been set for Monday morning, when they entered pleas of not guilty. When they pleaded not guilty, in violation of the promise given their lawyers, Attorney Goldstein and Streibig asked permission of the court to withdraw from the case, not desiring to defend them further. Permission was refused, Judge Gatens saying that the men had a constitutional right to a trial and to counsel, and that the lawyers could not logically nor ethically withdraw after appointment by the court.

MAILS TO BE LIGHTENED ARMY STORE PARCELS SHIPMENTS TO CEASE.

December 10 Is Latest on Which Mail Orders Will Be Filled. Freight Unaffected.

In order to relieve the mails for the Christmas trade the war department has issued instructions to the superintendent of the 35 army quartermaster stores now operating throughout the country to decline all orders received after December 10 which call for delivery by parcel post, according to announcement of Major Frank P. Tingley, deputy zone supply officer, yesterday.

"Persons contemplating making purchases which must be delivered by parcel post are requested to place their orders with the retail store here before December 10," said Major Tingley yesterday. "And the orders must actually be on file prior to December 10 to receive consideration." The quartermaster store here, as well as the other stores throughout the country, will continue to accept bulk orders placed by municipalities, municipal selling agencies and community buying associations for commodities offered for sale through the retail stores. Such orders are delivered by freight. A discount of 10 per cent of the entire bill of goods ordered is allowed the purchaser to cover overhead expenses entailed in making distribution of the commodities so purchased. The deliveries of bulk orders are made freight prepaid f. o. b. point of destination.

CAMP ON MAUI PLANNED Army to Have Health Resort on Side of Old Hawaiian Volcano.

HONOLULU, T. H., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—The United States army is planning to construct a "recreation camp" on the island of Maui for its soldiers serving in the tropics. This camp will be located on the slope of Haleakala (House of the Sun), the largest extinct volcano in the world. The camp probably will be pitched at a height of about 4500 feet where the climate is of the temperate one. For a number of years the army has maintained a resort post near the active volcano of Kilauea on the island of Hawaii, but this will be abandoned for several reasons, the main one being that Hawaii is some 200 miles from Honolulu, while Maui is but four hours' travel by inter-island steamships. When informed that the appropriation would be used in ferreting out all classes of crime, Mr. Smith voted in the affirmative. Besides being senator from Josephine county, Mr. Smith is a member of the state emergency board.

AID FOREIGNERS, IS PLEA Linn Teachers Urge General Instruction in English.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—That classes should be established in the public schools wherein foreigners of any age could be taught the language of this country, the history of the government and be otherwise aided in becoming useful and desirable citizens, is recommended in a resolution adopted by Linn county teachers in the final session of their annual institute here this afternoon. The teachers urged this step to bring about a nation of one language and a unified people. Among other resolutions adopted was one urging a more extensive study of Oregon history in the schools of the state. More than 250 teachers participated in the work of the institute, which

CLASS PROSECUTIONS HIT Josephine County Senator Wants All Offenders Arrested.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—"Persons convicted of murder are treated with more favorable consideration by the officers of Oregon than men who are suspected of having a wee bit of liquor in their possession," J. C. Smith of Josephine county, in expressing his views here yesterday on the request of Governor O'Gara for a deficiency appropriation of \$5,000 with which to employ special agents to ferret out crime. "If you want to use this money in a general way I will vote for the appropriation," said Senator Smith, "but am opposed to expending state funds in running down liquor in any particular class. Automobile thieves, I believe, are equally as menacing to society as bootleggers, and should receive the same consideration at the hands of the officers and courts."

Senator Smith then told of how a sheriff in a southern Oregon county had made a reputation for arresting and convicting liquor violators, but that this same officer had paid little attention to some other classes of offenders. "Only a few weeks ago," said the senator, "I was riding in my automobile when I was run down by a reckless driver. My car was badly damaged, and I sent word to the sheriff to arrest the man responsible for the wreck. Although the man sought stayed at the sheriff's home, the officer apparently made no effort to arrest him. Had this fellow been in possession of a bottle of liquor, it is a two-to-one bet that the officer would have remained on his trail until he was safely behind the bars. I have no time for class prosecutions, and believe that all offenders, whether they steal an automobile or sell a bottle of whiskey, should receive equal consideration by the officers."

LAST HONORS PAID VICTIMS Funeral Services Held for Burgess and Ferringer.

PENDLETON, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Hundreds of his personal friends and business associates gathered here today to pay last honors to the late J. N. Burgess, state highway commissioner, killed in the Claremont tavern hold-up in Portland last Friday. Numbers of friends were here from other parts of the state. The ashes of George Ferringer, Pendleton farmer, killed at the same time, were laid away here this morning with a private ceremony.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—That no person, firm or corporation, hiring another in this state, shall pay a wage of less than \$4 a day of eight hours for any male employe or a wage of less than \$30 a week of 48 hours for any female employe is proposed in a constitutional amendment filed with the assistant secretary of the state here today.

LEGION HEADS TO MEET COMMANDER CALLED TO WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Senators and Representatives Want Ideas of ex-Service Men on Pending Legislation. Though he had returned from the national convention of the American Legion at Minneapolis only the day before, William B. Follett of Eugene, commander of the department of Oregon and national vice-commander of the American Legion, announced yesterday that it would be necessary for him to leave this week for Washington, D. C., in response to an urgent telegram calling all state commanders and national officers of the legion to the nation's capital for a congressional conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Follett were at the Hotel Portland yesterday, planning to return to Eugene immediately after a meeting of the state executive committee of the legion scheduled for Saturday night, when the notification to the nation's capital for a congressional conference was received from Lemuel Boies, national adjutant, that Mr. Follett's presence in Washington on December 3 was urgently desired. At the coming conference, senators and representatives will meet with the American Legion men to get the ideas of the ex-service men of the nation regarding a great mass of pending soldier legislation. Matters concerning war risk insurance, vocational education, etc., will be taken up at this time and views exchanged.

SMALLPOX CASES SPREAD Lincoln High and Clinton Kelly Students Contract Disease.

The mild epidemic of smallpox, which has traveled through various Portland schools during the past fortnight, drew the attention of the health authorities yesterday to outbreaks in two new quarters—Lincoln high school and Clinton Kelly school. In each instance a few cases were reported and the proper steps taken to check further spread. One room in Lincoln high school was ordered closed for fumigation and will be reopened without appreciable delay. Clinton Kelly school also was dismissed yesterday, for the fumigation of the entire building, and will resume its classes tomorrow or Monday.

SALEM ROTARIANS ENTERTAINED. Miss Lulu Dahl Miller of Portland Entertained Salem Rotarians with a Number of Vocal Selections at the Weekly Luncheon of the Organization.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—Miss Lulu Dahl Miller of Portland entertained Salem Rotarians with a number of vocal selections at the weekly luncheon of the organization yesterday.

Clothing Sells for More Today Than Ever in History

It's Cheap in Comparison With the Prices for Spring, 1920

The prices of suits for the spring 1920 will range from \$50 to \$125 and may jar you a little, but you'll have to get used to it.

It should not be necessary for us to urge you to supply your clothes needs now, when you can save from \$15 to \$25 through buying the suit you'll need.

And if you place value on your money, come to Gray's to spend it, because it will buy more here than elsewhere.

7% DISCOUNT on Men's Furnishings and Hats when purchase amounts to \$4 or more, contract goods excepted.

COMPARE GRAY'S COMPARE GRAY'S COMPARE GRAY'S \$30 \$40 \$50 SUITS AND OVERCOATS with those sold by other stores for \$35.00 and \$40.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS with those sold by other stores for \$45.00 and \$50.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS with those sold by other stores for \$55.00 and \$60.00

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Myrtle Creek Rates Rise. SALEM, Or., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—A slight increase in rates and classification of service was granted the Myrtle Creek Telephone company in an order issued by the Oregon public service commission today.

Nature's Remedy NR-TABLETS NR Better than Pills GET A For Liver Ills. 25c Box

IT'S EASY TO READ NOW With the New Type White Mazda See them now on display in our windows. A soft and easy-on-the-eye light—no glare of any kind.

Price 65c Keep an Eveready Daylo at home. They are safe, handy and convenient. No danger of fire. We have them in all sizes from the type that slips into your vest pocket to the large ones used by night watchmen.

Sipman, Wolfe & Co. Merchandise of Merit Only Store Closed Today Thanksgiving

THE REASON WHY DENVER MUD MADE IN DENVER Superior to All Other Plastic Dressings Holds moist heat longer! Leaves skin soft and natural! Costs less money! NO PROFITING! Price same as before the war. Large can 25 cents. FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS

My idea of a three course breakfast is three dishes of POST TOASTIES says Bobby