

**GUILT ADMITTED
BY FORGER ROSS**

Man Who Falsified Excise Petition Confesses His Wrongdoing.

WILL HEAR FATE TUESDAY

Prisoner Changes Mind Suddenly Before Judge Bronaugh and Reverses Plea—Penalty for Perjury, One to Five Years.

Allen G. Ross, indicted for perjury in securing forged signatures to an Excise Board petition, changed his mind yesterday, and upon being brought before Presiding Judge Bronaugh pleaded guilty to the charge. The penalty for perjury is from two to five years' imprisonment.

Ross was one of a number of men employed to circulate initiative petitions for the required number of signatures necessary to insure the submission of measures in the city election last Monday. When the deputies in the Auditor's office began to check these petitions over it was found that the work of Ross was irregular, at least. The writing included in the certificate on the reverse side of each page of signatures turned in by Ross was found by comparison to be quite similar to the signatures. Further inquiry led to the arrest of Ross, whose admission of his guilt will probably have proved an interesting trial.

TO TRY DAMAGE SUIT AGAIN

Father of Railway Victim Wins Appeal to Reopen Case.

Circuit Judge Gatens yesterday granted Gottlieb Mutti's motion for a new trial in his suit against the Multnomah Lumber & Box Company for \$700 damages for the death of his son, Ludwig C. Mutti, in this city December 30, 1907. Judge Gatens announced that this was a case in which there evidently had been a miscarriage of justice, as was apparent from the record of the suit since it was begun. Young Mutti, while in the employ of the defendant company, was struck by a blow pipe, which fell upon him while he was at work, inflicting injuries from which the lad died in a few days. The father brought suit against the company for maximum damages of \$700. Just before the trial was called, counsel for the defendant corporation is said to have offered to settle the case by paying \$500. This tender was rejected by Mutti and his counsel. A trial being held, the jury returned a verdict for the defendant. It was because of this verdict counsel for the plaintiff asked for a new trial.

RUHL'S SLAYER GETS 10 YEARS

Negro Sentenced for Manslaughter. Two Thieves to Serve Time.

Three evil-doers were sentenced yesterday to serve varying terms in the State Penitentiary. Having pleaded guilty to manslaughter for the killing of Ludwig C. Ruhl, in this city December 30, 1907, Claud Edmond, a negro, was sentenced by Presiding Judge Bronaugh to ten years in the penitentiary. Peter Brown, who confessed the theft of a motorcycle, valued at \$300, from J. W. Essig, was given an indeterminate sentence by the same jurist. Judge Gatens imposed a sentence of three years on Charles Scott, alias Charles Robinson, convicted of larceny in a dwelling, Scott's sentence being a trial of a jury after a brief deliberation.

Probate Court Notes.

Judge Weber yesterday approved the final account of Samuel Beck, administrator of the estate of William Beck, a distribution among the heirs of a cash balance of \$17,977.10 in the hands of the administrator. The estate consisted entirely of personal property. F. K. Arnold, Dr. A. W. Moore and C. R. Davis yesterday filed an inventory and appraisal of the estate of Elizabeth M. Barnes. The value of the estate is given as \$5681.45. Milton W. Smith, administrator of the estate of Ella M. Smith, yesterday filed his final report showing a balance on hand of \$7250.35. The total receipts under Mr. Smith's administration of the estate reached \$11,467.99, with disbursements amounting to \$104,217.74.

Attorney Loses Own Suit.

After deliberating for 30 minutes yesterday afternoon, the jury in the suit of J. W. Baker, an attorney of Newberg, against F. J. Catterlin & Co., of this city, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. This was a suit for damages arising from the sale by the defendant company of some shares of stock in the United Wireless Telegraph Company to the Newberg attorney.

FOREST CONSERVATION.

Writer Regards Sale of Reserve Stumpage, Etc., as Illegal.

PORTLAND, June 12.—(To the Editor.)—I read several resolutions which I should have been glad to lay before the pioneers last night, but it would have been impossible for me to defend objections against my voice, and I think I can do better on paper. I am for forest conservation, as the word is, and if the Oregonian opens its columns for a more general discussion of the system than it has yet done I shall be glad to take part, if alive. My plan of forest conservation involves the proposition of no legal deed to a conveyance of 100 acres of land or more, unless the planting and maintenance in forest is guaranteed. I shall offer shortly another paper on this subject. JOHN MINTO.

Whereas, The winning of Oregon proved an instructive lesson not only to American stationers, but to leading minds in Canada and Britain's Australasian colonies; and Whereas, History has proved, since Oregon was won by landless people, that the more free new colonies are left to manage the resources of a new country the happier life in such communities is; and

Whereas, The change of policy of Great Britain toward her great Canadian colonies, almost simultaneously with the declaration of forest reserves in the states formed since Oregon was won, has had the manifest effect of giving Western Canada and British Columbia fully 1,000,000 of frontier settlers from the United States adjoining the Canadian line, reducing the number of land-hungry people, which increases in proportion as the Nation increases, to the necessity of attending land lotteries for a chance to obtain land to make a home where a hundred win and two thousand lose, with a growing army of foresters obstructing 16,000,000 acres of forest; therefore be it Resolved, That the policy of limiting the power of streams, the pasturage and the selling of mature timber as forest resources, is not consistent with the spirit of the Declaration of Independence nor the Constitution of the United States nor the policy in regard to the domain under which Oregon and Florida were won, nor is it consistent with the conditions upon which Oregon was admitted to the Union.

Resolved further, That we understand that the Union was formed for the common defense and to provide for the peace and general welfare; to secure sound titles to private owners for gifts or purchases from the public domain, leaving the development of resources therefrom to the industries of the people; therefore we regard the sale of stumpage, water power or pasturage as resources of the forest reserve, either as a direct tax illegally levied or an unconstitutional competition with private enterprise, to its injury and discouragement.

CROWDS WERE IMMENSE

STREETCARS CARRIED MILLION DURING FESTIVAL.

Fully 85,000 Visitors Saw Carnival, While Local Railways Broke All Records of Traffic.

Figures prepared by the street railway company and estimates made by railroad and hotel men show that no previous week in Portland's history saw such crowds as attended the Rose Festival that closed last night.

The maintenance of the heavy travel on all railways, interurban and boat lines during the last few days confirms the estimates made earlier in the week that 85,000 out-of-town people would view part or all of the Rose Festival attractions.

The attendance of visitors reached the height Thursday and Friday when approximately 25,000 transients were in Portland. On the nights of those days the hotels and lodging-houses were taxed to the utmost to care for persons seeking rooms. Hotel men say that many found beds at the Turkish bath houses, hundreds of persons who did not care for the baths eagerly accepting beds there. The employees of the downtown hotels were kept busy seeking available places for guests in other parts of the city.

Yesterday the incoming visitors fell off perceptibly at the hotels but rooms were still in demand as the number of departures had not been sufficient to relieve the situation.

Most of the through incoming and outgoing trains have been running in sections and on all roads the entire available equipment was in use. Figures on the entire number of passengers handled by the steam roads are not yet available as reported to this authority have not yet been received for the business of that period.

The Oregon Electric reports that it has handled on an average 3000 passengers daily. Special night trains were put on the Forest Grove and Salem lines. Last night the North Bank railroad held its evening train until 11 P. M. to accommodate Festival visitors from the river.

The traffic on the city lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company aggregated approximately 1,000,000 passengers for the week. Every car owned by the company was put in use and increased service was given on all lines. For three days the travel on the city electric lines surpassed any day of the Lewis and Clark Exposition period. The best day during the fair provided about 200,000 passengers for the street railway. The record was exceeded Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the last proving the biggest day, with fares and transfers numbering 340,000 or 10,000 more than the best day of the Lewis and Clark Fair.

MAIL SLACK DURING FESTIVAL

Postmaster Young Reports, Light Week, Owing to Festivities.

Mail arriving at Portland during Rose Festival week is reported by Postmaster Young as unusually light. The cause is numerous fairs and activities held throughout the Northwest, people have disengaged themselves from business duties, correspondence falling off as a result.

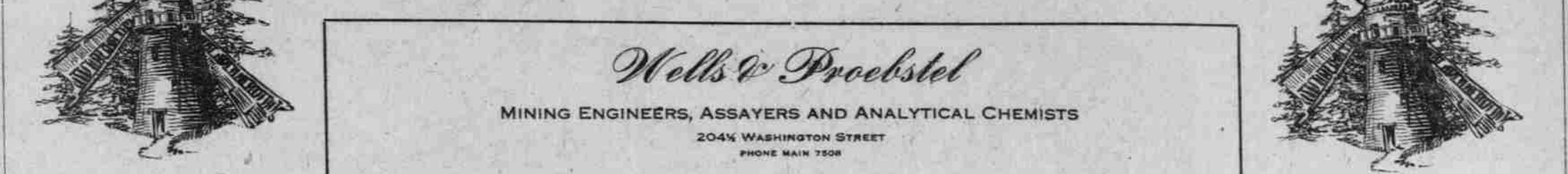
Last week excepted, the amount of mail received and dispatched is growing larger constantly and business in the money order, registered letter and stamp windows is increasing to such an extent that extra windows will be required soon.

SEVEN BROTHERS HOLD REUNION AT INDEPENDENCE.



COOPER BROTHERS. INDEPENDENCE, Or., June 12.—(Special.)—Unusual was the reunion of the seven Cooper brothers last Monday in Independence. Once a year these brothers gather to keep alive the spirit of the family and to give each other the benefit of their experiences in the world of affairs. This year the guest of honor was the oldest brother, W. H. Cooper, of Staten, Or., and the reunion was held on his 75th birthday. The average age of the seven brothers is 65 years. The brothers are: William H. Cooper, Daniel Jackson Cooper, James Shelby Cooper, John Emerson Cooper and Elbert Woods Cooper, the last two twins.

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July 5th—Oregon Baptist Summer Assembly.
July 6th—Columbia Beach Clambake.

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SEEKS COURT AGAIN

R. T. Dickerson, Divorced, Remarried, Wants Child.

CALLS WIFE UNFIT GUARD

Husband Bases Answer to Spouse's Complaint on Agreement He Accuses Her of Breaking. Opposes Alimony.

Members of the Dickerson family are again engaging the attention of the divorce courts in their efforts to adjust their domestic differences. R. T. Dickerson, defendant in a divorce proceeding instituted by his wife, Martha E. Dickerson, yesterday filed an amended answer to the bill of complaint in which he charges that the wife is not the proper person to be entrusted with their 6-year-old daughter, whose custody he petitions the court to award him. This is not the first appearance of the Dickersons in the divorce court. In his amended answer, Dickerson incorporates an agreement, dated February 13, of this

year, to which he alleges he and his wife subscribed. By the terms of this agreement, Dickerson agreed to renounce the plaintiff who at a previous time had been divorced from him in the Multnomah County Courts and at the same time was awarded the custody of the child and in event of any future separation would surrender the custody of the daughter to the father. Dickerson alleges that he remarried the woman in accordance with the agreement and provided for her and the daughter as a husband should. Subsequently and on May 22, however, Dickerson complains that his wife abandoned him without cause, taking with her the daughter in violation of the remarriage contract. The father alleges that the child has since been taken out of school, is permitted to associate with improper companions and frequently is escorted by grown men to the theater, unaccompanied by a chaperon. Dickerson asks for a dismissal of the wife's suit, a decree of divorce for himself and the custody of the daughter.

Spanish Ministers to Leave.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—(Special.)—Senor Ramon Pina, Spanish minister at Washington since 1906, has made arrangements through the State Department to have a farewell audience with President Taft Wednesday, June 16, at 2:30 P. M. The minister has been appointed under secretary of foreign affairs of Spain, and will sail for Europe June 24 to assume his new duties. His successor here will arrive about July 15.

PLOTS MOTHER'S DEATH

STRANGE STORY OF MURDER DUE TO EXTRAVAGANCE.

Instigated by Creditor, Fair Hungarian Leads Admirer to Commit Crime.

VIENNA, June 12.—(Special.)—A mysterious murder which has been extensively discussed in Hungary for several weeks, has taken a sensational turn. A big game warden, Mrs. Marie Haverda, a rich widow, was found shot in her garden, and the police were unable to prove the guilt of any of the numerous persons arrested in connection with the affair. Mrs. Haverda left over \$500,000 to her only daughter, Alexandrine Jermacy, an extremely beautiful woman who lived in Buda Pesth in great style, though her mother, who hated her extravagance, had long ceased to give her money. It has only now become known that Alexandrine was suspected by the police, who ascertained that she had been heard pressed against her, as she was in Buda Pesth at the time of the murder. The police, however, shadowed all Alexandrine's admirers and circulated their portraits at Szabadka and neigh-

borhood. At last they discovered that two of the men were seen by a railroad official at the station near Szabadka on the day of the murder. These two men were arrested, but declared that their identification was a mistake. The police, however, kept them in custody, and yesterday one of them, Aladar Janosy, made the startling confession that Alexandrine, of whom they were both passionately fond, had long besought

them to murder her mother, so that she could get her money. They drew lots, and it fell to Janosy to commit the crime. He sneaked into Mrs. Haverda's garden and shot the old lady. When Alexandrine heard of Janosy's confession, she declared that it was true. Taking the average for the world, there is one newspaper for \$2,000 inhabitants.

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