

Ed West was down town again today. F. M. Christian, of Silver Lake, is in Portland.

The plate glass was put in the Conser building today. The notorious Johnny Green is visiting in Eugene.

It is now stated that the Cuba rebellion will fail. U. S. Senator Ekins, of West Virginia, is in Portland.

Robert H. Wilson, of Oswego, arrived on this afternoon's train. E. A. Hood, of Irving, was doing business in Eugene today.

Telephone bells have been placed in Deady Hall at the university. A number of Chinamen were in attendance at the show last night.

The income tax will bring to the government a revenue of \$15,000,000. Miss Belle Dillard has returned home to Goshen after a few days' visit here.

Douglas & Levinger will commence the manufacture of cheese in about a week. M. Veik, division superintendent of the P. R. R., spent last evening in Eugene.

Miss Nellie Withington, of Cottage Grove, arrived in Eugene on this morning's local. The Payton band played several airs on the street this afternoon to a large crowd of people.

A company of young folks from this city went on a picnic expedition to Merlan's park today. The Good Templars gave a social at their hall last night, which was a success in every respect.

It is certain that Eugene will celebrate the Fourth of July this year and it will be a grand affair. Mrs. Wylie, the lady who was so mysteriously healed, walked to prayer meeting Thursday evening.

Arthur Lowell, formerly of this city, is now working for an electric company in Folsom, California. Mrs. Phoebe Kinsey and daughter, Miss Maggie, returned home to Salem on this morning's local train.

A man was in town early this morning with a load of lettuce and onions. He found a ready market. The coming municipal campaign in Grants Pass promises to be mixed up with an independent reform ticket.

James E. Holt and wife of San Jose, California, arrived in Eugene this morning, and will visit here for a time. Miss Lucile Stalker left on the local train this morning for Wetherby, Baker county, where she will teach school.

A man who was pretty well "loaded" became enthusiastic over the play at the opera house last evening and had to be invited out. Medford Mail: Rev. E. A. McAllister arrived this morning and will conduct Universalist services at the opera house for several days.

Mr. W. P. Smith, the well known Portland drummer, recently united in marriage to Miss Nellie Callahan, of Corvallis, was in Eugene today. Mr. Joseph Dixon died at her home on Oak creek, near Corvallis, last Sunday. She was born in Missouri in 1830, and came to Oregon in 1895.

Many estimate that hops will bring 10 cents per pound this fall. If this prediction materializes it will help this portion of Oregon wonderfully. A Salem dispatch says: Secretary of State Kincaid is daily receiving letters telling him to start firm and knock out the railroad commission if possible.

The case of the state vs. M. M. Marks will be tried in Justice Holland's court in Richardson precinct, next Saturday, J. M. Williams appearing for the state. Mrs. Wilson, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. M. S. Barker, in this city, returned home to Portland today. She was accompanied by Miss Ethel Barker.

Geo. Willoughby will have next Tuesday morning for Sioux City, Iowa, where he goes to take charge of a drug store. He goes by the Northern Pacific route. The S. P. train is now on the Naton branch. The company has seven or eight thousand ties at Naton which will probably be taken to Latham for treatment.

Miss Ada P. Thomas, of Turner, graduate of the conservatory of music, came up on this afternoon's local to continue her music with Miss Sawyers, of the conservatory. Salem Journal of Friday: Mrs. M. C. Wire, of Eugene, who has been in Portland visiting friends, came up on the 11:17 local for a short visit with her sister, Mrs. B. H. Bradshaw.

Father Nettleville, who will conduct a mission in the Catholic church for a few days came up on the local this afternoon. He is from New York city, and has quite a reputation as a pulpit orator. A letter from Rev. J. E. Snyder states that he is succeeding well in raising money in the East with which to liquidate the debt of the U. B. church in this city and that he expects to be home about the first of May.

The Albany Democrat says that Major Post's surveying party, that is spending several thousand dollars to find out what any old plot can tell them, have reached Black Dog, six miles north of Albany. They are expected to reach Portland eventually in the sweet by and by. Governor Lord has executed a deed, conveying to the United States government a tract of land, 150x150 feet, lying on the north side of Nigger Tom island, at the junction of the Willamette and Columbia rivers. Thecession made on condition that the government shall erect a lighthouse on the tract.

Medford Mail: M. M. Eccleston, D. A. Johnson and J. P. Millers returned Sunday from their winter stay at Junction City and are now at work on their planer proposition on Elliott creek. There is the old Parsons & Tremain property, which they purchased last year and upon which they did considerable development work.

The dispatch announcing a twenty per cent reduction of insurance premiums in Eugene, on all policies where the rate is over two and one-half per cent, states that where a reduction is made on an existing policy a non-cancellation clause must be attached. As published yesterday it was "no cancellation," the opposite meaning from that intended.

A Salem dispatch of yesterday says: At the close of a consultation with the governor today, Secretary Kincaid boarded the train and started for Portland to secure counsel to defend the state in the mandamus suit instituted by J. B. Eddy. Concerning the suit, Attorney General Ideman said he was anxious the state should have good counsel. As to his own position, the attorney general will take no part, unless requested by the secretary.

The remains of Blanche Lamont, one of the victims of the Emanuel Church murder in San Francisco, passed through Eugene Thursday morning on the train for Dillon, Montana, for burial. It is reported that she was not the Blanche Lamont who attended school in Salem; but a cousin, Ella Blanche Lamont.

Letaman Advance: "C. H. Velrs started a wagon on his milk route the first of the week. His old patrons were pleased to see him, and many new patrons will sell him milk this season. Mr. Velrs is now making 100 pounds of butter per day, but thinks he will get milk enough to make 200 pounds per day." This is the gentleman who is thinking of removing his point to Eugene.

No marriage license has been issued in Lincoln county since January, and the county clerk is inclined to feel blue over the matter. "He ought not to despair, but rather look forward to the months of July and August and be consoled. It is barely possible that he may not have the privilege of writing all the licenses, but many first registrations will be commenced then and there.

Board Rates Reduced in Eugene considerably. The following dispatch received here this afternoon is self explanatory: SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—Board insurance rates are hereby reduced twenty per cent in Eugene, excepting special hazards rating 2.50 per cent and over. No cancellation clause to be attached to existing policies on reduction.

University Notes. Daily Guard, April 18. Miss Julia Veszie is valedictorian. The Seniors will elect their class poet and orator next week. The Eutaxians will give their open session, "The Woman's Congress," Saturday evening, May 25th. An interesting program is being prepared and the entertainment will be something new and interesting.

Quite a number of visitors were present at public rhetorical yesterday, it being the last appearance of the Seniors until commencement. The exercises were excellent throughout, the Shakespearean scenes being very well rendered. The Eutaxians hold their last election for the year yesterday. The following officers were chosen and will be installed next Friday: President, Lotta Johnson; vice president, Stella Robinson; secretary, Barbara Lauer; assistant secretary, Floy Watkins; treasurer, Theresa Friendly; sergeant-at-arms, Jennie Beattie.

Cottage Grove Items. Echo-Leader, April 20. Miss Daley McMurry returned to her home in Eugene Tuesday. During her visit here, Miss McMurry has made many friends who will regret to see her leaving. Pat Jennings and family, of Spokane, arrived in this city Tuesday. Mr. Jennings will reside in Lemati, where he can be ready to go to Bohemia when necessary to be at the Golden Star mine recently purchased. With recent development work on this ledge, we learn that very rich ore has been found.

Mrs. Adelle Millard, of Junction City has been assisting in getting out the Echo-Leader for the past two weeks. She learned the mysteries of hand-setting type in this office when the paper was established, nearly six years ago, and though she has not worked much in an office for a long time, has not forgotten how to make herself useful in the work required to get out a paper.

WILD CATTLE.—The Dalles T. M.: The band of wild cattle which has been in the habit of ranging on Joe and Fawn creeks, branches of Agency creek, in the coast range, have changed their range, so hunters say, who have been looking for them. This band of cattle has ranged in the Coast range for nearly 20 years, and has weathered the worst winters during that period with ease. Those killed by hunters in the spring have been found fat and tender. The valley cattle as a rule are poor when spring comes. These wild cattle are much harder than domestic stock, and are as shy and hard to come upon as deer.

"CATCHING FITS."—Following is what the Portland Sun has to say about the Theo. Kruger company which recently failed in Eugene: "It is difficult to understand how such an aggregation as the 'Nihilist' can be tolerated from a professional and artistic point of view, anywhere outside of the insane asylum."

HAS NOTHING TO SAY.—We understand that since being committed to the county jail Bob Stevens has not spoken hardly a dozen words. He sits in his cell and continually reads. The only other inmate of the jail is Jordan, "the capitalist."

STATE CONTEST.—The State Democrat gold medal contest will be held at Roseburg at some future date. Delegates from all parts of the state will be in attendance. One of the two successful competitors in this city will attend.

DISTRIBUTION.—The supplies donated for the Nebraska sufferers have all been distributed to people in Lata county. The committee is entitled to the good wishes of the people for their careful work.

A FLOURING MILL CERTAIN.

The Terms of the Lease Agreed Upon This Afternoon.

Daily Guard, April 19. At last Eugene is going to have a flouring mill. The terms of the lease for the water power were agreed upon this afternoon and will be signed by Mr. Eddy, the owner of the power, and Messrs. C. S. Williams and L. G. Sulter. The late rental gentlemen have bought the old mill site agreeing to pay \$1000 for the same, they also get the power for a 20 barrel mill for 25 years at \$500 per annum.

Messrs. Williams and Sulter bind themselves to put up the mill and warehouse in time for the 1905 crop. Mrs. Conner also agrees to the lease. The new mill to be erected should patronize the new mill to its utmost.

Mr. Sulter is a practical mill man and Mr. Williams is a live energetic mill man. They will give our people a first class mill in every particular.

Dr. Hammond. A good deal has been said about Mr. Hammond's financial ability. Here is something to the point on the subject, and it indicates that Mr. Hammond is all right in money matters. It is well to remember that Mr. Bonnet is also interested in the Oregon Pacific. The following item is from the Telegram:

A gentleman well known in commercial circles in Missouri, was questioned today about Eugene Hammond's standing and enterprise. "Why, he is engaged in large undertakings there, and is known throughout the state," said the gentleman. "His enterprises cover a very wide range, from building railroads to banking and mercantile affairs. He built the Missouri & Bitter Root Valley road, 50 miles long. He and his partners operated this road for a while, and then sold it to the Northern Pacific, of which it is a feeder. The Drummond & Phillipsburg, another branch of the Northern Pacific, was built by him and his associates, and sold to the Northern Pacific. Mr. Hammond is President of the First National Bank of Missouri, with a capital of \$500,000, of the Missouri Mercantile Company, with a capital of \$1,200,000, and is the controlling spirit in the Big Blackfoot Mill Company, which is capitalized at \$700,000.

"If the Astoria road is only 50 or 60 miles long, you will find that he is fully capable of swinging the proposition. He was chiefly instrumental in defeating Marcus Daly's scheme to change the capital of the state from Helena to Anaconda. The Helena people did not have very much money to spend, and had it not been for Hammond and W. A. Clarke, the capital would have been moved to Anaconda. Marcus Daly spent money, and it took money to handle a campaign in opposition to him."

Another Railroad. The California, Oregon & Idaho Railway Company yesterday filed articles of incorporation: purpose to construct, purchase or otherwise acquire and equip a standard gauge railroad, with telegraph and telephone line, beginning at tide water on the coast of Solano county, California, and running north and northwest through Solano, Yolo, Colusa, Glenn, Tehama, California, Lassen and Modoc counties, Shasta, Lassen and Lake, Harney and Malheur counties, in Oregon, and Owyhee, Cassin, Owyhee and Bingham counties, in Idaho, to a connection with one or more lines in Wyoming. Also a branch from Klamath Falls, Or., connecting with the main line in Modoc county, California, and another leaving the main line in Tehama county and terminating in Eureka, California. Capital stock, \$800,000; incorporators, J. M. Bassett, Oakland, Cal.; L. W. Brown, Eugene, Or.; Robert Clow, Junction City, Or. The temporary headquarters are at Eugene.

SHOOTING SCRAPE AT TEN MILE.—Today's Roseburg Plaindealer says: Frank Newland and A. E. McCulloch had an altercation over some business affairs last Tuesday and separated with some bad blood up. Wednesday morning McCulloch with several of his friends appeared at Newland's, the quarrel was renewed and came to blows. McCulloch on the head and legs, struck him on the head with a rock. Newland struck back at McCulloch with a pistol. To avoid the blow McCulloch dodged his head forward and the pistol was discharged, shooting McCulloch through the back of the neck, inflicting only a slight flesh wound as reported by Dr. Bradley who was called to examine and prescribe for the wounded man. Complaint was made before Squaire Hamilton of this city by Byron Myatt and the matter will be up for hearing tomorrow at one o'clock, where all the facts in the case will doubtless be made known.

HOP ITEMS.—Salem Statesman: Lillenthal & Co. still continue to make hop contracts with the growers in this county and they are being filed in the office of the county clerk. J. W. Thornbury will furnish the firm with 10,000 pounds of the new crop at 9 cents; A. C. and W. A. Keene 10,000 pounds; and Wm. Scollard, George Farrin, Frank L. Krider 20,000 pounds at the same price. Winfield and J. C. Cover agreed to dispose of 9,000 pounds at 8 cents. The growers are of Gervais precinct and they will get a 5 cent advance as picking money.

DEMOCRAT MEDAL CONTEST.—The second Democrat silver medal contest was held at the Congregational church last evening. A good crowd was in attendance. Miss Jean Webb was the successful orator and received the medal. There were nine contestants and all acquitted themselves well. The program was interspersed with excellent music. After it had ended, cream and cake were served and greatly enjoyed by all.

THE MATRINEE.—The matinee given at the opera house this afternoon was attended by the largest crowd of people ever out to an exhibition of that nature before in this city. The play rendered was "East Lynne or the Elphinstone." At the close the children were all given a bag of candy as they left the building.

BON STEVENS ARRESTED.

He Performs Petty Theft to Gratify His Desire to Please.

Daily Guard, April 19. For some time past articles of clothing and small amounts of cash from the till, left there for change, have been missing from the dry goods store of A. V. Peters in this city. The party who performed the misdemeanor evidently carried a key to the front door as there were no evidences of an entrance having been made to the store in any other way. Suspicion may have fallen on someone but there was no clue to the robber.

When it became certain that the thefts were being committed the clerks in Mr. Peters' employ set about for means whereby to entrap the light fingered individual, and on last Tuesday evening they placed some marked pieces of coin in the till and sealed a piece of paper around it in such a way that were the till opened during the night the paper would be torn. The next morning the till bore unmistakable marks of having been opened and the money was gone. The matter was then placed in the hands of the police, and they arranged for the capture of the thief. It was not thought that the burglar would enter the store two nights in succession so no watch was kept Wednesday night, but yesterday evening Mayor Matlock empowered Geo. Croner as special policeman to assist in the capture. As the entrance to the store was known to be made through the front door, the police obtained permission from Mayor Matlock to keep watch from the interior of his dry goods store directly across the street. Special Policeman Croner and Constable Dan Linton, armed with revolvers and a shot gun, were stationed there, while Policemen H. J. Day and E. M. Pratt remained on the streets. The former were armed with warrants with which to make the arrest. Marked coins had again been placed in the till and it was sealed the same as on Tuesday night.

At about half past eleven o'clock Bob Stevens was seen coming up the street toward the Hoffman House. A few doors south of A. V. Peters' store he met C. J. Howard, of the Register, and passed the time of the day with him. Coming on up the street, he made a half circle on the sidewalk in front of Peter's store, at the same time looking to see if Howard was watching him; seeing that he was not, he dodged into the entrance way of the door, and taking a key from his pocket effected an entrance. Once on the inside he fought a match and went to the rear of the building. Returning to the front of the store he climbed upon the counter to reach some shoes which were upon a shelf. While here he lighted at least a half dozen matches before finding the number he wanted. The police from their ambush across the street could see him plainly. He was in the store at least twenty minutes and while there struck eighteen or twenty matches. The police thought it best not to attempt the capture until he came out of the store and when he did so they stepped forth from their ambush and, covering him with a shot gun, Croner demanded him to throw up his hands, which he did.

He was searched immediately but no arms were found upon his person. In his pockets were found the marked coins, a pair of No. 3, cloth top ladies shoes, a silver mounted ornamental ladies hair comb and a box of Gilt edge shoe blacking. When Stevens fully realized that he was in the hands of the officers of the law he became greatly agitated because of the sorrow which would be brought upon his mother and her family by his actions and begged them to release him, which request Mr. Peters was sent for and he declined to come. He did not wish to go to jail and was taken to the city marshal's headquarters over the savings bank where Constable Linton kept guard over him until this morning. He would talk very little and said nothing about his crime. It was reported in street talk today that he had made the assertion that others were implicated in the robbery but this statement is unfounded as some of the officers were with him constantly and none of them heard him make the assertion.

Stevens was given a hearing this morning before City Recorder Dorris, ex officio justice of the peace. He waived examination and was bound over in the sum of \$1500 to appear before the grand jury at the June term of court. No attorney was employed for the defense. Not being able to furnish the necessary bonds he was placed in the county jail. The limits of the law in crimes of this nature are two and five years in the state penitentiary.

Stevens had formerly been employed as a clerk in the store of A. V. Peters, but has not been in his employ for a year or more. During all that time he has carried a key to the store, although this was not known by Mr. Peters. It was with this key that he gained entrance to the store and it is believed he has been pilfering articles from there for the past year or two, and, in fact, has been seen coming from the store by people who, however, supposed he was working there.

He is a young unmarried man, aged 25 years, and has always moved in good society. His folks are highly respected people and his actions are both a surprise and a shock to them.

FROM AN OLD FRIEND.—Roseburg Review: County Surveyor Heydon was the recipient this week of a fine present in the shape of one of Joseph Koch's beautiful, large maps of Lane county. The civil engineer and draughtsman who made the map is an old friend of Mr. Heydon's, and for this reason he values the gift very highly. The artistic workmanship of the map and the amount of information it gives, noting even the original owners of all the land in the county, make it a work of great value.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—Belay's Albany Herald: Yesterday evening the little daughter of Mr. Harry Taylor was playing around a fire in the yard her clothing caught fire and if it had not been for the near presence of Mr. Taylor, who grabbed her and stuck her in a tub of water, she would have undoubtedly been seriously burned. As it was all her outside clothing was burned off and one of her arms severely burned.

THE MURDERER OF BOGART.

He is Thought to be Coming This Way.

Daily Guard, April 19. Agent L. G. Adair, this afternoon, received the following dispatch: "PORTLAND, April 19.—From reports just received we are led to believe the man who robbed train No. 15 and killed Sheriff Bogart, March 30th, is on our line heading his way over the road. Please notify authorities to keep a sharp lookout on arrival of each train and furnish description wired April 1st."

DESCRIPTION. Tall Brown, alias Jack Brady, 20 years old, 5 ft. 6 inches tall, weight, 140 pounds, slender build, dark hair, brown mustache, dark eyes, long hair, and legs, heavy hands, shoulders high and slightly sloped, thin face, small chin slightly receding, short upper lip, lower lip drops when talking, upper teeth protrude, middle ones appear to be false, also shows some heavy gold filling, pleasant talker, good dancer, has small feet, wears No. 5 shoes. Wears large ring with cameo setting.

Dexter Items. Gardening is the order of the day. S. B. Morse, Vice President of the Lane county S. S. League, visited the Sunday school at Dexter Sunday morning and in the afternoon organized a Sunday school at Trent. We acknowledge a pleasant call.

Fred Parker returned Friday from a several months stay in Eastern Washington. He rode his bicycle from Portland. J. A. Briggs has erected a substantial plank fence on the east side of his place next to the road.

E. R. Parker has been appointed a Notary Public by the Governor. Mr. Hayes has returned to reside on his homestead on the mountain. Messrs Joseph Parker and James Parvin with their wives visited Uncle John Sloops Sunday, at Pleasant Hill. Uncle John's health is very poor.

Helen Parvin and Uncle Dan Parker are erecting a commodious shop just above the Anthony creek bridge for home convenience. The land boys are practicing twice a week, and we hope they will conclude ere long to give a picnic during the coming summer. Look after the matter boys we are all interested.

REGULAR. Daily Guard, April 20. COUNTY CONVENTION.—The sixth annual convention of the Lane county W. C. T. U. was held in Junction City this week. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Maggie Houston, Junction City; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nellie B. Harp, Junction City; recording secretary, Mrs. Hanna, Eugene; treasurer, Mrs. S. Haudsaker, Junction City. The retiring president, Mrs. Condon, was elected delegate to the Roseburg convention which is to meet May 14th and 15th. The next county convention will be held in Eugene next April.

Two Big — Grants Pass Courier: The big "Mogul" or "Hog" engines are pronounced a flat failure by competent locomotive engineers on this line. They use more wood, are more troublesome to handle and don't make the curves as well as the lighter engines. The company have found it out and will discard them ere long. For a heavy train moving slowly over a straight and level track they do very well but not when speed is necessary on the multiplicity of curves and high trestles between Grants Pass and Roseburg.

PHILOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—The time of the meeting of this society has been changed from Saturday to Friday night. A good attendance was present last evening, and after the usual routine of business the following officers were elected: Virgil Johnson, president; Charles McClure, vice president; C. W. Wester, secretary; S. Hanna, assistant secretary; C. Woodson, treasurer; F. M. Taylor, sergeant-at-arms; R. McKinlay, censor.

HOP HOES CONTRACTED.—Hop contracts were filed with the county clerk yesterday at Salem wherein John Lenz and Peter Kilburg of McKee have agreed to dispose of 10,000 and 8,000 pounds respectively of this year's hops to Lillenthal & Co. of San Francisco, the price paid to be 8 cents. The hops are to be delivered at Woodburn not later than the 31st of October.

ENGINE CO. ELECTION.—Eugene Engine Co., No. 1, last evening, elected officers as follows: Al Holden, president; M. S. Hubbel, vice president; I. L. Simpson, secretary; H. H. Stone, assistant secretary; J. B. Beavener, treasurer; Chas. C. Goldsmith, sergeant at arms; I. L. Simpson, foreman; Hugh Gray, first assistant; J. S. Taylor, second assistant.

THE LACREANS.—Held their regular meeting at their hall last evening. O. M. Vanduy delivered an extemporaneous address on "The Municipal Government of New York." The president appointed subjects for extemporaneous debates to each member present, and an interesting meeting was had. The question chosen for the next meeting is "Resolved: That Classics should be Chosen for the Degree of A. B."

THE HOP OUTLOOK.—Salem Post: H. J. Ottenheimer, the hop buyer, representing Lillenthal & Co. of San Francisco, went to Aurora this afternoon. Mr. Ottenheimer is making many contracts for hops in Marion for one, two and three years at a good figure. He says that there undoubtedly will be a good market for first class hops this year.

FINES PAID.—Geo. Hicks came up from the Meek's ranch today and settled the fines and cost of the three men arrested Tuesday for drunkenness, and have since been confined in the calaboose. They left for home about the middle of the afternoon in a happier frame of mind.

El. Test, of Medford, is visiting in Portland.

The project for a Lane county fair has come to naught. No satisfactory arrangement could be made for grounds.

A flouring mill is in sight at last. The people of Eugene should aid and encourage the builders by words of encouragement, and in time the more substantial reward of patronage.

The "Open Door" refuge of Portland held a public reception the other day. Reports do not say whether it was similar to many of the other open door receptions for which that town is notorious.

Silver has been discarded and discredited during the last quarter of a century by unfriendly legislation. Proper legislation will restore it to the esteem in which it was held for centuries, yes, since history has recorded the actions of the human race.

No trouble is anticipated in securing able counsel to oppose the claims of the railroad commission for salaries. The attorney general cannot be depended on. He secured his nomination through the Portland corporation ring and is under their control. Lord and Kincaid are not owned by them, and only secured nominations by breaking the carefully prepared slate of the ring.

The railroad commission has commenced suit to compel the secretary of state to issue warrants for salaries. They are not content with the favors received from their real employes, and seek to compel the state to pay for services that are more detrimental than useful to the people.

It takes twice as much of labor and its products to pay a debt now, as it did when silver was discredited. The "honest" gold dollar has two sides to it. It is the old story of turkey for the white man and crow for the Indian, or crow for the white man and turkey for the white man. It is good for the creditor and money changer but death to the creditor and producer.

In two Mississippi counties an agreement has been made between the farmers and the merchants that on and after Jan 1, 1896, the latter shall not sell the former on credit any corn, hay, oats, potatoes, peas, etc. The counties raise cotton exclusively and the aim is to get the diversified crop idea well started. The farmers will either have to raise diversified crops or eat cotton.

Rev. J. C. Read the would be bank robber has been acquitted by a Portland jury on the ground of insanity. The jury could not agree on either of the usual verdicts and accepted the insanity dodge as a compromise. While it is probable Read is quite unevenly balanced, it is not of that extent requiring confinement in an asylum, and if committed he will not remain there long. The penitentiary is the best place for men of Read's stamp.

It may be said that the daily papers should not give such wide publicity to crime through their columns, the recent San Francisco tragedy being a case in point. But the papers would not print column after column of such stuff if the public did not demand it. The morbidly curious will linger lovingly even around a spot where blood has been shed and crime committed, while a man, with his boots on, dead through violence, fills the measure of their content.

The incident occurring last night is a sad one. A young man, of former good reputation, is caught in the act of robbing a man who, in the past, had trusted and treated him kindly as an employer. The lesson is an easy one to explain. Extravagant habits and reckless expenditures cannot be kept up by men, who work on a salary, without danger of betraying the trust reposed in them and obtaining money by dishonest and illegitimate methods.

The story of the unaccountable recovery of a woman of Eugene, regaining the use of her limbs after they had been paralyzed for eleven years, printed in the Guard yesterday is a true one and unaccountable. The lady attributes the happy event to divine interposition. Other places have their miraculous shrines to which the afflicted resort in hope of relief, and this town may now hope for one.

Marshal Day, Nightwatchman Pratt and Constable Linton have fitted up an office at their own expense, and there is some one in attendance at most any time during the day. The city authorities should provide the room with a telephone. The cost would be small and calls for points like the university, railroad depot, electric light station and water station and many other points could be answered at once, saving valuable time in case of an emergency, besides being a great convenience. Put in a phone for the boys.