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HENEY KILLS TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE

Exonerates Brownell From One Charge While Meldrum Makes Confession.

HALL HELD WHIP HAND

Because He Held Forged Notes—He Used Brownell as a Puppet.

PORTLAND, Jan. 27.—This may possibly be the last day in the prosecution in the Hall-Mays conspiracy case and it was made interesting by the presence of Heney Meldrum, who was caught in the dragnet of the former land fraud cases while United States Surveyor General, and who was brought down from McNellis Island where he is serving sentence to testify that he forged the name of George C. Brownell to field notes which resulted in the indictment of Brownell. The latter testified two days ago that Hall had held forged notes over his head and forced Brownell to retire as a candidate for United States attorney of Oregon and to release Senators Mitchell and Fulton from their pledge to him.

Heney's purpose in having Meldrum confess to the forgery was two fold. It will dispose of the case against Brownell and also tend to prove Brownell's testimony was not secured through promises of immunity. In other words Heney will be killing two birds with one stone and dispose of the Brownell case while trying an entirely different one. The objection of the defense to Meldrum appearing as a witness will be decided this afternoon. Franklin Pierce Mays was placed on the stand this morning. Heney tried to prove by witness that Hall knew that Mays was implicated in the "24-1" land fraud case and had promised to permit Mays to appear before the grand jury in own defense, in exchange for his support of Hall in his fight for reappointment as United States Attorney. Mays was still on the stand at the noon adjournment.

WILL TAKE A LITTLE TRIP

James Stillman Resigns From Directorate of the Harriman Railways.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—James Stillman, president of the National City Bank, has resigned the directorate and also from the executive committee of the Union and Southern Pacific. Frank A. Vanderslip vice president of the National City Bank, was elected to the vacancy. Stillman desires travel.

FRIENDS SURPRISE GEORGE M'INTOSH

George McIntosh was pleasantly surprised at his home up Coos River Saturday evening, the occasion being his 19th birthday. A number of his Marshfield and Coos River friends chartered the launch Tigra which left the city at 7 p. m. He was the recipient of many gifts. The evening was pleasantly whiled away with games and a treat was also enjoyed in the shape of an oyster supper. Those attending were: Mrs. Dan McIntosh, Mrs. May McGann, Johnnie McIntosh, Marian Yoakum, Genevieve Tellefson, Edna Ray, Warren Bessey, Emma Abrahamson, Lucy Tellefson, Myrtle Donor, Jennie Eickworth, Mrs. N. Savage, Mr. Emerson Bessey, Kathrine Bessey Austin Ray, Lee Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Campbell, Oscar Stauff, Hugo Stauff, Wm. Norris, Harry Walker, Frank Marhoffer, Ole Abrahamson.

Try a want ad.

JACK LONDON BACK IN FRISCO

Author Returns After Report That He Was Lost—Will Repair Boat.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—Jack London, the author who left here last May, on a seven years' trip around the world for the "Woman's Home Companion" and for whose safety fears were entertained, returned Saturday from Tahiti accompanied by his wife. The vessel the "Shark" was left at Papeete for repairs to the gasoline engine. They returned here to attend to some business matters. He reports no adventures and says the delayed arrival at Marquass Island which gave rise to reports that they were lost was due to trouble with the gasoline engine and to time spent in cruising around the various islands.

INCENDIARY IS TO BE PROSECUTED

Fred Hoffman, who started the entire countryside contiguous to Myrtle Point by setting fire to his brother's barn and then being arrested at the point of a gun, will be tried this week at Coquille. Attorney George Farrin left this morning for the county seat where he will take charge of the prosecution. While there he will also prosecute the young man who was arrested for stealing goods from one of the Coquille stores.

STEAMER PLANT COMES IN

The steamer M. F. Plant arrived in Coos Bay from San Francisco this morning, crossing the bay shortly after nine o'clock. She carried 27 first-class passengers and six steerage. They experienced a pleasant and uneventful voyage from the Bay city. Following is the list of passengers:

M. R. Richardson, W. P. Bromley, Miss M. Judd, Mrs. R. A. Church, G. A. Nichols, A. F. Ellisback, Mrs. Ellisback, and son, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Squires, C. A. Smith, A. Meroen, Miss May Noah, Geo. G. Baker, A. J. Weiner, Miss M. Rogers, Mrs. H. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Cavanaugh, H. L. Anderson, E. P. Sheldon, W. O. Doyoe, A. H. and Mrs. Weber, J. L. and Mrs. French, Claude Mortenson, J. E. Warrior, and six steerage.

Interesting—It will pay everyone to read Going & Harvey's experience with advertising in another column of this evening's Times.

ALLEGANY NEWS

Items Gathered by a Times Correspondent for Many Readers.

ALLEGANY, Ore., Jan. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gage came to Allegany Monday evening to visit with Clyde's brother Fred.

Howard Savage was up to Allegany doing some plumbing for Z. T. Thomas.

Mrs. Minnie Stimmerman went to Marshfield Wednesday to be with her daughter, Mrs. Robinson, and care for Mrs. Robinson's new son.

COMMUTATION TICKETS

—On sale at Melrose Restaurant.
If you believe in luck you should SEEK it—and there may be enough luck in one want ad. to last you for a year.

WOULDN'T THIS JAR YOU, SAY?

500 Pounds of Dynamite in Box Car Exploded by a Fire.

(By Associated Press.)
DES MOINES, Jan. 27.—Five hundred pounds of dynamite in a box car in the mining town of Hocking exploded during a fire that started in the company store early Saturday morning. Five men were injured and a property loss of sixty thousand was sustained.

WILL WE TAKE IT?

Coos Bay Is Given Opportunity To Secure Fair and Stock Show.

"Opportunity knocks but once."
Coos Bay people have one week in which to take action and secure the annual fair and stock show of the Second Southern Oregon District Agricultural society the coming September. The board of commissioners of the society meet the first Monday in February—next Monday—to elect officers and decide on the place of holding the exhibition. Heretofore the fair and stock show has been held in Roseburg, but the commissioners, it is said, are ready to listen to a proposition from the Bay country. The securing of this annual event for this section would have many excellent results not the least of which would be the advertising.

MILL TRAGEDY IS RECALLED

Parents of Harry Martin, Who Sustained Fatal Accident, Send Thanks.

The fatal accident which occurred to Harry Martin on the last of the old year, 1907, when he fell from a scaffolding in the Smith Mill, sustaining a fractured skull from which he died on January 3, will be recalled afresh to the minds of Coos Bay people by the following letter received yesterday from the deceased young man's parents who live in Minneapolis, Minnesota:
Coos Bay Times, Marshfield Ore., Dear Editor—
It was through the columns of your valuable paper of January 1, that we first learned the particulars of the sad accident that snatched our dear "Harry" from us so cruelly. We want to join in thanking you and through you the doctors, nurses and the boys, one and all, who so nobly stood by our dear boy—a stranger.

The first wire reached us at 2 p. m. New Year's Day. From that on our wishes were closely carried out by Mr. Smith in person, who has been an old friend and neighbor for many years but till then was not aware our son was in his employ. Mr. Irving reached here with the remains January 11, and we laid them at rest in Lakewood near the shore of beautiful lake Harriet on the banks of which our home has been for many years and where Harry enjoyed being so much.

Harry was our only child and the blow was terrible particularly on his dear mother, who was never strong. For two weeks she hovered on the shores of the dark beyond, but is now slowly regaining her strength. Again thanking you one and all we are very sincerely yours,
(Mr and Mrs.) A. L. MARTIN.

WILL BOND FOR \$40,000

North Bend Citizens Cast Overwhelming Vote for New School.

In favor of, 127; opposed, 8.
The above figures record the action taken by the North Bend people Saturday on the proposition to bond the city for \$40,000 to enable the building of a school house of adequate capacity to meet the heavy demands of a rapidly growing community. The overwhelming majority demonstrates more forcible than words the civic spirit of progressiveness and aggressiveness which has placed Marshfield's sister city in her present rank. It was also voted at Saturday's election to sell the bonds to the highest bidder. Attorney Maybee, of North Bend, superintended the drawing up of the bonding proposition. It is the intention to let the bonds out at five percent interest.
As soon as they are disposed of steps will be taken for the actual construction work on the new school building. No decision has as yet been reached regarding the liberal offer made by Major L. D. Kinney of four acres of land at the head of Pony Inlet for a site.

MUCH SMOKE LITTLE FIRE

Another Small Blaze in North Bend at Bayside Paint Store.

Much smoke, little fire and a great deal of excitement was caused on Sherman avenue, North Bend, Saturday evening by a small blaze in the Bayside Paint Co's. store. The proprietor went into the basement with a lighted pipe to draw some roofing paint, which is very inflammable and explosive. The gases from the paint ignited causing an explosion and set fire to the can of paint. The proprietor hurried to the door and threw it out. A cry of fire attracted attention and Tom James, the wharfinger, responded promptly with his chemical extinguisher and put prompt quietus on the flames. It was a narrow escape from what might have been a disastrous fire but for the presence of mind and nerve of Mr. Monroe. Everyone unites in the opinion that as a one man fire department Tom James has the world beaten.

AN UNUSUAL EXPLOSION

Heating Stove Blows Up and Starts a Disastrous Conflagration.

(By Associated Press.)
MADISON, Ill., Jan. 27.—The explosion of a heating stove started a fire that destroyed the greater part of two blocks in the heart of the business section of the city. The loss will exceed a hundred thousand dollars. Forty persons are homeless and without breakfast. Some escaped in their night clothes and suffering was great on account of the intense cold.

—Surpassing coffee at the Melrose.

Be sure that your chief business competitor doesn't beat you in advertising—and he will beat you in getting a lot for a little.

GUESTS ARE DRIVEN INTO BITTER BLIZZARD

Devastating Fire Rages in Heart of Chicago's Business District.

Quarter Million Loss One Fireman Killed When Seven Story Brick Collapses

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—One fireman is supposed to be killed, more than a score of others are injured, and property valued at half a million dollars was destroyed by a fire which devastated the Mayer building, a 7 story brick, and the hotel Florence, 163-167 Adams street, early today. The fire broke out in the basement of the Mayer building and when the firemen arrived the entire building was in flames. A strong north wind carried the flames to the adjacent hotel and in a few minutes that structure was a roaring furnace. The walls of both structures collapsed an hour later carrying with them the entire company of firemen. All except one, James Gallagher, were rescued.

The guests at the hotel rushed into the streets in scant attire and were taken care of by the police and citizens. A number of printing establishments in the Mayer building were employing night shifts. These too were hurried to the streets for safety. A gale and blizzard from the north, bitterly cold, greatly hampered the work of the firemen.

Called by Sickness.—Mrs. Vega Anderson Rogers was summoned to Marshfield hurriedly Wednesday by the serious illness of her brother, Mazurka Anderson, well known in this section. The brother was reported to be in a precarious condition.—Bandon Recorder.

New Management for Crystal.—B. L. and P. S. McCullough, who have been on the bay for about two weeks from Omaha, Nebraska, have purchased the Crystal theater and will hereafter present a moving picture show interspersed with illustrated songs. Under the new management a change of picture films will be made twice a week. Mrs. McNeill will play the piano accompaniments and B. L. McCullough will sing for the illustrated songs.

PETERSON WINS EASY FIGHT

"Lives of pugilists remind us we may reach exalted place and departing leave behind us fistprints on the other's face."

What claims Mr. Lewis, the "Montana Kid," had to fistic honors or what hopes he cherished for a pugilistic laurel were abruptly dispelled by the local champion Bert Peterson, Saturday night before a crowd that packed the skating rink to capacity. It was play for Bert from the starting signal to the fourth round when Lewis went down for the fatal count of ten. Peterson was in pink of condition and the few blows which his adversary managed to slip in were apparently unnoticed. Ring followers note a marked improvement in Coos Bay's champion's ring generalship and there is strong talk of taking Peterson to San Francisco where he can have the advantage of the best training. With a fair showing it is believed he will carve out a niche in the fistic hall of fame.

The preliminary bout between Cassell and Jack Lindsay was warm, Cassell scoring a knockout in the fourth.

—Surpassing coffee at the Melrose.

CIVIC CLUB REORGANIZES

North Bend Institution to be Revived—Society Notes of the Bay.

THIS WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.
Beautiful America Club: Thursday afternoon, North Bend city hall.
Ladies' Art Club: Saturday afternoon, Mrs. C. W. McCulloch.
Bridge Whist Club: Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Fred Gettins.
Evergreen Whist Club: Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Fannie Hazard.
"500" Card Club: Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. J. A. Matson.
Socially, Coos Bay was rather quiet last week, the only ripple on the placid surface of society being the Calico Ball given by Coos Tribe No. 33 in the I. O. O. F. hall Saturday night. This function received a well merited patronage, the local Redmen clearing something over \$60 on ticket sales. The Coos Bay Orchestra rendered its usually fine musical program and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed in every way.

The Beautiful America Club, North Bend's Civic Improvement society, will meet for the purpose of reorganization and re-election of officers in the North Bend city hall Thursday afternoon. This club has been one of the most potent factors in the development of North Bend and its future work will be watched with interest. It is said that the efforts of the members will first be directed toward the paving of North Bend's streets. The club has been disorganized since the time of the San Francisco earthquake and fire when all of its reserve fund was sent to the relief of the Bay city refugees.

The Evergreen Whist club met at the home of Mrs. E. G. Flanagan Saturday. Mrs. Eugene O'Connell and Mrs. Wilbur broke even for consolation prize, the former winning on the toss of a coin. Mrs. J. A. Rolanson won first prize. The Bridge Whist club met at the home of Mrs. Dr. Straw on Saturday. Mrs. D. Y. Stafford won first prize and the consolation prize was taken by Mrs. Perry.

A LEMON FOR NORTH BEND

Busy City Picks Sour Fruit From Electric Light Tree.

North Bend was handed another piece of fruit from the dark lemon tree of the Coos Bay Gas & Electric Co. on Saturday evening. The lights went out all over the city at 7:30 in the evening and remained out all night. And still the company thinks the public should be satisfied and remain silent with such a service. The Coos Bay Gas & Electric Co. must think like Tom Lawson that "the people are a spineless lot of shrimps" to tamely submit to such treatment.
To add to the confusion and the loss sustained, Saturday night was pay day in the pay roll city and the stores were crowded with shoppers when lamps and candles had to be hurried into service and many were compelled to go home without transacting their business.