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URN BILL RESULTS IN ARREST OF NORTH BEND BURGLARS

Lennon Arrested and Confesses Crime—Clint Akers Also Involved.

HOME TALENT LADS IN THE DEAL

rs En Route to San Francisco on Speedwell; Money Spent in Resorts.

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Young Lennon was taken to the city jail in Coquille this morning where Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Lillqvist will "sweat" him.

When arrested young Lennon only a few dollars left. The amount of it had been spent in rioting in North Bend, most of going to the "red light" resorts.

Traced by Bill. Immediately after the robbery, Akers recalled the torn bill. It was almost new, but had been torn almost in two in the middle, one side being attached to a slender thread.

Planned Small Haul. According to young Lennon, he and Akers had planned for a small haul. The Saturday before the robbery they fixed the rear window of the North Bend News Company.

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FRAUD DOCTOR IS RUN DOWN

Mrs. Jean Barber of Gardiner Makes Trip to England to Prosecute Impostor.

GARDINER, Ore., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Dr. Jenn Barber of Gardiner has just returned from a trip to England, where she went to prosecute an impostor, who was parading under the name of her dead husband.

Dr. Barber, her husband, met a tragic death near Gardiner, following his crossing of the Siuslaw in 1904. He had served as captain of Company G, Third Oregon volunteers, during the Spanish-American war, and previous to that had practiced in England.

Last November, Mrs. Barber was notified that some quack was parading under the name of her husband in England and practicing and she immediately went back to straighten matters out.

After a thrilling experience and the aid of Scotland Yard detectives, the impostor was apprehended. He was then going under the name of Dr. Charles Thompson.

Plan to Arrange for Exhibit at the San Francisco Exposition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—Local capitalists will open the Golden Gate Ostrich farm in the block bounded by 46th and 47th, Balboa and Suro avenues in this city.

The buildings are now being erected for the housing of the ostriches within a few blocks of Suro Heights. Twenty-five birds will be installed in the local farm in January, but this number will be increased until the year of the exposition, when it is expected that this city will boast the largest ostrich farm in the United States.

ABOLISH PENSION AGENCIES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Local pension agencies throughout the United States for the payment of pensions were abolished Jan. 1, in future the checks for pensioners will be sent direct from the Pension Office here.

They are deeply shocked over the shame he has brought upon them. He is only a boy and has never done any regular work. He has several brothers and sisters.

Akers' parents formerly lived in North Bend but moved away some time ago since when he has been employed in the mills there.

It is barely possible that young Akers may have more cash left than Lennon had. Otherwise Mr. Allen will be out all that was stolen and will have only the satisfaction of prosecuting the perpetrators of the crime and clearing the mystery, which might have otherwise cast suspicion on some innocent parties.

Today Mr. Allen had Marshal Carter wire the San Francisco authorities to try and detect young Akers there. Wireless messages were also sent last night.

As near as Marshal Carter and Mr. Allen can ascertain, Akers sailed under the name of "Joe Smith."

THROUGH LINE VIA COOS BAY

Portland Paper Thinks S. P. Will Have Coast Route Completed by 1915.

In its New Year's number, the Portland Oregonian contains the following writup of the Coos Bay-Eugene line:

"When Portland people leave in the Spring of 1915 to attend the world's fair at San Francisco it may be possible for them to travel to the exposition city over the new Willamette Pacific Railway, now being built between Eugene and Coos Bay, and the Northwestern Pacific between Eureka and the Golden Gate.

"Only the connecting link between Coos Bay and Eureka needs to be built to make the steel chain complete. As the Willamette Pacific is a Southern Pacific subsidiary and as the Southern Pacific owns a half interest in the line between San Francisco and Eureka, the possibilities of the "all coast" route south of Coos Bay are not so remote as they may seem.

"Work on the new line between Eugene and Coos Bay has been in progress now for more than a year. Work trains already are running over the first twenty miles of track west of Eugene. The tunnel under the Coast Range west of Portola will be completed by Spring and no doubt trains will be operating into Mapleton early in the Summer and to Acme late in the Fall. Acme is the point from which the probable San Francisco road will turn south to the Eugene-Coos Bay line to connect with the Northwestern Pacific.

"Twohy Brothers have ice contract for building the line between Eugene and a point 23 miles west, which includes the western portion of the work on the western portion is being done by Porter Brothers.

"It is possible that the road will be complete and in operation between Eugene and Marshfield by January 1, 1914.

"Opening the Coos Bay country by means of a rail connection with Portland will do wonders not only to that section of the state, but will increase the trade relations between the Oregon coast and this city. Much of the territory in the vicinity of Coos Bay now is tributary to San Francisco.

"Not only that, but it will aid materially in developing the rich and resourceful country between the Willamette Valley and the Oregon coast. This is a fertile and productive region that has been extremely backward in its development merely because the absence of transportation facilities precluded the possibility of securing a market for the country's products.

"The proposed route south from Coos Bay toward the California line will open Curry County, which is now without a railroad and which contains untold possibilities as an agricultural, lumber, dairying and mining country. Many small mines are now working there—and paying. Many more small ones will develop when the railroad appears and a good many of the present day properties will ripen forth into big ones.

Construction work west from Eugene is in charge of the Southern Pacific's efficient engineering department at San Francisco, of which William Hood is the head. As soon as the road is completed, however, it will become a part of the Southern Pacific system in Oregon and probably will be operated from the Portland offices.

The estimated cost of the work between Eugene and Marshfield is \$8,000,000, but an additional \$2,000,000 will be spent in equipment and buildings, making it a \$10,000,000 concern.

DRIFTS ON COCOANUT TREE.

Its Fruit Furnished Food for Boy Two Days in Hurricane.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—"There's a tree adrift to head off the port bow. I believe there's a human body on it."

In the track of the West Indian hurricane, while the steamer Foxton Hall was passing debris of the storm 60 miles off the Jamaican coast, the vessel's first officer made this remark. So sure of it was he that he sent a lifeboat to the tree. Half an hour later the boat crew was lifting a half-conscious pickaninny from his branches.

The lad called himself "Willie Gee." He was a beach comber at Port Antonio. When the hurricane came he sought refuge in a deserted hut, but with it he was blown to sea. He swam to the coconut tree where he drank milk from its nuts and finally, exhausted, fell asleep in its branches. He believes he floated for two days.

M'CARTHY IS EASY VICTOR

New Heavyweight Puts it All Over Palzar in Eighteen Rounds.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—McCarthy got the decision in the 18th round, when the fight between him and Palzar was stopped. Palzar got all the worst of it. Tommy Murphy knocked out Frankie Burns in the 17th round.

THE PEOPLE ARE GENEROUS

Liberal Contributions of Cash and Clothing to Fire Victims.

There has been a ready and generous response to the appeal for aid for the fire stricken families. All day yesterday and today many persons brought contributions of clothing, cash and shoes to The Times office and Hillier cigar store. Many requested that no mention be made as they only desired to do a little for "sweet charity's sake."

Yesterday afternoon the Times gave A. J. Stephan a check for \$35.00 from the relief fund to provide the immediate and pressing needs of the family. Mr. Stephan found \$55.00 of the sum of money lost in the house. Mr. Stephan has located his family in a house in North Marshfield and hopes to be settled in a day or two.

Since yesterday the following cash contributions have been handed in: Previously acknowledged \$41.00 Denning & Ireland 2.50 Carl W. Evertsen 3.00 Mrs. B. E. Doremus 1.00 J. C. Doane 1.00

Total 48.50. W. K. Wiseman will supply a bed and springs to the Stephan family from his furniture stock.

Money Is Melted. So far A. J. Stephan has recovered \$55 from the ruins of his home, which was destroyed by fire New Year's day. In addition to this, he found a melted mass of silver and gold. He hopes to get something for this by sending it to a United States mint. He had, he estimates, a little over \$300 in the house, including some paper money. He has no hope of recovering the paper money but thinks there may be more silver and gold coins in the ruins.

WIRE SERVICE IS BEING RESTORED.

Both the Western Union and long distance phone got their wires up to Roseburg this afternoon but service has been difficult and very few messages have been got through.

TWO MUST HANG.

Sentences of Death on Humphrey Brothers Affirmed.

SALEM, Jan. 3.—The Oregon supreme court has affirmed the decision of the circuit court for Benton county in the cases of the Humphrey brothers, who were recently tried and convicted of the crime of murder in the first degree. The Humphreys formerly resided in the Yoncalla vicinity, later moving to Benton county where they murdered an aged and defenseless woman. They were tried before Judge J. W. Hamilton of Roseburg, at Corvallis, and were convicted. They were later sentenced to die on the gallows. The attorneys for the defendants appealed the case to the Oregon supreme court, and today's decision of that tribunal is considered final. The men will be returned to Benton county, when they will be sentenced to death, the only penalty provided by statute for the crime of murder in the first degree.

GUM MEANS LIE, SAYS COURT.

Judge Reveals Method by Which He Weighs Witnesses' Stories. CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—United States Judge Carpenter today revealed one method he has of judging whether a person is testifying truthfully.

If the witness chews gum and talks rapidly, the chances are no great weight should be attached to his statement, the court said.

This developed when the court told Joseph Bruns, a witness chewing gum on the witness stand: "The harder a person chews gum the less responsibility you can place in his testimony."

CORPSE FOUND ON BEACH IS THOUGHT TO BE OSPREY VICTIM

HOMER MAUZEY IS PRESIDENT

Honored by Marshfield Fire Department—Keating for Chief; Gow Why's Gift.

At the annual meeting of the Marshfield Fire Department last evening, Homer Mauzey was elected president to succeed James Cowan, Jr., whose term had expired. The following are the officers elected: President—Homer Mauzey. Vice president—Alfred Matson. Secretary—L. W. Traver. Treasurer—J. W. Hunt.

Standing committee—L. W. Traver, Gordon Smith and J. E. Cowan. The only names placed in nomination for chief and assistant were those of Dan Keating for chief and Carl Albrecht for assistant chief.

Gow Why presented the firemen \$50 as a token of his appreciation of the excellent service they rendered the other day in saving his Home hotel building from the fire.

MANY ARRIVE ON ALLIANCE

Steamer in Today From Portland After Having Been Delayed by Storm.

The Alliance after having been delayed for a few days by the severe storm, most of the time being barbound in Columbia River arrived here today. She had a fairly good trip down the coast.

She had a good passenger list and a fair cargo of freight, considerable of it being through business to Eureka. She will sail at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning for Eureka.

Among those arriving on the Alliance were the following: J. W. Motley and wife, K. S. Clinkinbeard, H. C. Coleman, R. Luben, Mary A. McQueen, W. S. McQueen, Chas. S. Wheaton, Tom Lutonen, F. A. Broyn, H. Arzekellis, F. D. Layton, K. I. Thorensen and A. Becker.

NEW PARACHUTE SUCCESS.

Automatic Contrivance for Aviators Tested at Eiffel Tower.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—An ingenious automatic parachute for aeroplanes was demonstrated from the Eiffel tower. The contrivance which consists of a vast umbrella, 40 feet in diameter, has a system of springs operating instantaneously and automatically when the fall begins.

The parachute was dropped today from the first platform of the tower, with a sandbag to represent an aviator. The apparatus opened fully before it had fallen 60 feet. It landed gently, taking 16 seconds to drop 190 feet.

BLACKBIRDS STOP CARS

Birds on Los Angeles Power Transmission Line Crowd So Densely Thousands Are Electrocutted.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—Blackbirds stopped everyone of the cars of the Los Angeles Railroad for 21 minutes the other morning and delayed thousands of passengers on their way to church.

The birds in countless numbers took possession of the main power transmission lines at the edge of the city, crowded so densely that the living mass formed a circuit and ten of thousands were electrocuted. As fast as they dropped, other thousands took their places and thus the great flock, the like of which had never been seen here, kept all the power from the trolley system.

Naked Body of Man Discovered by Seth Johnson of the Life Saving Station.

ONLY SHOES REMAIN ON THE CORPSE NOW

No Means of Identification Pending Investigation by Coroner Wilson.

Seth Johnson, patrolman of the life saving station, this morning discovered a corpse on the beach abreast of the life saving station and about two miles up the North Spit.

The body was naked with the exception of the shoes. Mr. Johnson stated that it was not in a bad state of decomposition. He did not state whether the face was disfigured.

The location of the body is about a mile south of where the road to Gardiner hits the beach. Coroner Wilson left for the scene this afternoon and will probably return late this evening with the body.

At Empire and at the life saving station, the belief was expressed that the body was that of one of the victims of the Osprey disaster. However, nothing has been learned that would enable identifications prior to the investigation by Coroner Wilson.

Coroner Wilson has not yet received any word from Mrs. Johnson, wife of Capt. Johnson of the Osprey, to whom the clothing on the body found at Tarheel Point was recently sent for identification. That body was supposed to be either Capt. Johnson or Wm. Joyner.

RICH BACHELORS ARE PINING FOR WIVES

Situation in Kansas Getting Desperate—Men Send in the Last Call.

STOCKTON, Kans., Jan. 3.—Despairing of being asked voluntarily, 17 young men of this town, where, like all western Kansas towns, the men outnumber the women, have organized a matrimonial club and sent the news far and wide that they want wives. The only qualification is that the young women be of good character and about the same age as the members of the club. Grass widows are barred.

As a first inducement the men wish it to be known that the total assets of the 17 members figure up to \$218,000. Two of the young men have only their weekly wages and their fortune to make, while one of the members is rated at \$45,000.

Life in western Kansas in winter presents none too many diversions at best, and the situation is made much worse by the fact that there are so few young women that it is hard to get up any kind of social gathering. School teachers are snapped up so quickly by the young men that the school board is kept in constant hot water providing teachers for the schools.

But at that the supply of young women nowhere equals the demand and since there were none to ask them, the young men of the town facing the prospect of another hermitlike winter, decided to get out and hustle for wives.

A meeting was called and held in the city council room and the Short Grass Bachelors club was organized. Any young woman matrimonially inclined will be given respectful consideration, and it has even been arranged that those who wish to look over the situation will be accommodated by furnishing them positions in stores in this city.

As a special inducement to haste the club members will make up a purse for the first young woman who becomes the wife of a club member sufficient to provide her with a first class trousseau.

Howard Finlayson, the secretary of the club and one of its wealthiest members, is having photographs made of each member and applicants will be sent a photograph and description of the young man who comes nearest to her requirements.

CURRY COUNTY WEATHER.

Rain, Hail and Snow Tuesday in Vicinity of Langlois. Tuesday morning Langlois and vicinity received a visit of 3-in-7 weather in the shape of rain, hail and snow. While pouring rain the atmosphere became very cold, turning the rain into hail, thence into snow, which fell for an hour in large steady flakes, soon melting into oblivion. This is the first snow of the season and is a very unusual occurrence at this time of the year, says the Leader. Bandon got plenty of the rain, some of the hail, but none of the snow.

CARD OF THANKS. I wish to extend thanks to the many friends who contributed so liberally to the happiness of my family during the Christmas holidays. B. W. KNOX.