

DESPERATE ROBBERY

Safe Crackers Blow Up Bank at Sheridan With Great Success.

THEY TAKE THOUSANDS

Whole Town Aroused By Terrific Explosion at Early Hour This Morning—Outlaws Ride Away On Horses.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Sheridan, Or., Oct. 25.—No greater excitement was ever caused here than by the bold bank robbery which was successfully carried out at an early hour this morning.
 The robbers selected the darkest and most quiet time when at 3 o'clock a terrific explosion occurred which quickly aroused sleepers in all parts of the town.
 Men and women rushed half-dressed into the streets, not knowing the cause of the commotion. The morning was dark and cold, but soon fully 100 men had gathered on Main street when it became known that robbers, crafty safe-crackers in fact, had wrecked the bank of L. S. Scroggin by an immense charge of dynamite. They were successful in carrying away nearly \$7,000 in money, and had they waited to gather up the coin scattered about in the debris their plunder would have amounted to nearly \$15,000.
Were Well Satisfied.
 As it appears the desperadoes were satisfied with the amount secured and hesitated to risk their liberty by remaining on the demolished premises longer than they did.
 Leaving the scene of their depredation it has been ascertained that they rode away on horses in the direction of Portland. A posse is scouring the country under the command of Sheriff Ford of Polk county, but at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon no clue of the thieves had been gained. Farmers for miles about are out on the highways and are beating through the woods in hopes of finding a trace of the outlaws.
 That the plans of the robbers were carefully laid is shown by the fact that not a strange man had been seen about the town during yesterday. The safe-crackers secured their tools from the depot at Ballston. They used picks in attacking the vaults and drills in certain places of the iron work. They labored without lights, as a citizen passed the building not half an hour before the explosion occurred.
Mayor Eakin Active.
 Mayor J. H. Eakin was awaked at the time of the concussion and at once took his rifle and went to the street across from the bank just in time to see the robbers emerge from the building. He fired three shots at them from his Winchester but can not tell whether the shots took effect or not. At the same time Hugh Mendenhall came out into the street with his shotgun but the robbers had got beyond gunshot distance.
 An alarm was spread in all directions by the rural mutual telephone system and several depositors from Ballston and beyond on their way to the scene of the robbery. The robbers effected an entrance by climbing on top of a wood pile at the back of the bank building and then crawled through a small round window and dropped to the floor of the bank. When once inside of the building access to the vault was made by digging away the brick with picks, and claw bars, which the robbers secured at Ballston by breaking into the Southern Pacific depot and section house.
 They knocked off the knob of the combination from the steel safe and drilled two holes. Dynamite did the work of tearing the safe into fragments. Parts of the safe were thrown through the front of the building, and demolished the furniture in the bank and the plate glass windows in the front. The robbers secured somewhere in the neighborhood of \$7,000 which was on deposit. In their hurry to get away with their plunder they overlooked a great sum which Cashier L. S. Scroggin found scattered on the floor of the vault and

PATRICK MCCARRON

New York, Oct. 25.—Patrick McCarron, who is leading the revolt in the Brooklyn Democratic machine against the veteran leader, Hugh McLaughlin, now says his reason is because the latter refuses to accept the action of the city committee. It is the most picturesque political battle ever fought in Brooklyn.

OREGON IS FAVORED

Columbia and Willamette Rivers Receive Bulk of Recommendations

GEN. GILLESPIE REPORTS

\$970,000 Additional Amount Congress Should Supply at This Session—\$2,673,500 Will Be Necessary Later On.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Washington, Oct. 25.—The Columbia and Willamette rivers get the bulk of the recommended appropriation made by Gen. Gillespie in his annual report given out for publication last night. While the whole amount recommended for the improvement of rivers and harbors in Oregon, Washington and Idaho is \$1,750,000, that portion set aside for the Columbia, Willamette and Yamhill rivers is \$970,000.
 The report goes on to state that it will require \$2,673,500 to complete the improvements in the lower Willamette and Columbia in addition to the \$168,249 still available from a former appropriation of congress.
 The following is a list of the recommendations for Oregon and Washington:
How Applied.
 New Whatcom harbor, Washington \$ 25,000
 Improvement Yellowstone park, 250,000
 Canal at cascades of Columbia river, Oregon and Washington 80,000
 Wallamette and Yamhill rivers above Portland, Or. 90,000
 Gray's Harbor and Chehalis river, Washington 55,000
 Puget sound and tributary water 20,000
 Coquille river, Oregon 20,000
 Coos Bay, Oregon 60,000
 Columbia river at Three-Mile rapids, Oregon and Washington 300,000
 Columbia and Willamette rivers below Portland, Or. 500,000
 In Gen. Gillespie's report he omits any mention of the Lake Washington canal at Seattle and also for the improvement of Yagula bay or Binalaw river, Oregon. These subjects have been reported on before and it is still up to congress to take the matters up for consideration.
More for Oregon.
 Other minor recommendations for Oregon are the following: Ten thousand dollars for dredging in Tillamook bay; \$2,000 for Coos river; \$50,000 for producing a greater depth over the bar at the entrance of Coos bay; \$30,000 for Coquille river, and \$500 for Clatskanie river; \$10,000 for deepening the channel between Vancouver and the mouth of the Columbia; \$30,000 for completing the approaches and grounds around the canal and locks at the Cascades; \$10,000 for continuing clearing of the channel of the Snake river between Riparia and Imnaha river; \$5,000 for carrying out the project for improving the Willamette between Portland and Oregon City, as suggested by the special board of engineers.
Washington's Proportion.
 The recommendations belonging strictly to Washington are the following: New Whatcom harbor, 250,000; Lewis river, 27,000; Willapa river, 55,000; entrance to Gray's harbor, 30,000; Inner Gray's harbor, 25,000; tributaries to Puget sound, 30,000; Olympia harbor, 25,000; Tacoma harbor, 25,000; Everett harbor, 10,000.
Army and Naval Defenses.
 The report touching on coast and harbor defenses goes on to state that "The sea coast defenses of the United States are now somewhat more than 50 per cent completed. Twenty-five of the principal harbors of the United States have a sufficient number of heavy guns and mortars mounted to permit an effective defense against naval attack, and during the past three years considerable progress has been made in the installation of an adequate rapid-fire armament, now the matter of first importance."
 At present there are provided for the defenses of the United States 105 12-inch guns, 133 10-inch guns, 96 8-inch guns, 567 rapid-fire guns and 376 12-inch mortars. Gen. Gillespie submits a total estimate of \$10,366,100 for the fortifications of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, as follows:
 Construction of gun and mortar batteries and the installation of range and position finders, \$4,575,000; sites for fortifications and sea coast defenses, \$2,000,000; searchlights for harbor defenses, \$500,000; protection, preservation and repair of fortifications, \$300,000; preparation of plans for fortifications, \$5,000,000; supplies for sea coast defense, \$35,000; sea walls and embankments, \$200,000; torpedoes for harbor defenses, \$225,000; defense of insular possessions, \$2,000,000; procurement of land for sites for defenses of the Hawaiian islands, \$526,100.

LEADER PARKS HAS BEEN DESERTED

(Journal Special Service.)
 New York, Oct. 25.—Sam Parks' attorney has tried to have his trial delayed, claiming the defendant is suffering from tuberculosis and is unable to stand the strain. The court denied the motion. No officers of Parks' union were present, save McCarthy, known as Parks' man Friday. The leader seems to be deserted.

RISK ALMOST CERTAIN DEATH FOR VAIN GLORY



London, Oct. 25.—It is now reported that two more English tourists lost their lives last week while attempting to round the perilous cliff on 'gigantic Scafell,' the highest mountain in Wales. September 21 three tourists were killed in efforts to round the cliff. It is stated that but few have succeeded in making the awful journey. In spite of this fact, for many years adventurous men have visited the mountain and many deaths are recorded of foolhardy persons who have been dashed to pieces on the rocks 1,000 feet below the spot considered most dangerous and where the trials are always made. The illustration shows the beginning of an unsuccessful attempt to accomplish the feat of swinging around the precipice.

"ELIJAH'S" TEAM GOES FOR DEBT

(Journal Special Service.)
 New York, Oct. 25.—Dowie's troubles continue. This morning his imported barouche and the four blooded horses that travel before it were seized by a deputy sheriff outside Madison Square Garden.
 The seizure has been expected for a day or so, but it was doubted if it would actually occur, as Dowie had ample funds and only the prophet's stubbornness would draw down the sheriff's action. But Dowie refused to pay a lawyer's claim of several thousand dollars, and, after due process of law and judgment, the "Lord's anointed" turned out ready for its prophetic master. The entire outfit was brought here by Dowie from Chicago and is the only conveyance he ever rides in when taking his outings in the city.
 The story that charged Mrs. Dowie with carrying to Australia \$7,000,000 worth of securities has been denied by Dowie. In making his denial Dowie stated that the Lord would take care of his own and that he had no need to send away his money or Zion's, as there was more continually coming in.
TAILORS WINK RAISE.
 (Journal Special Service.)
 Chicago, Oct. 25.—Eight hundred men tailors failed to report for work this morning and are holding a meeting to decide whether to strike for higher wages.

LITTLE ONES ARE IN GREAT DANGER

(Journal Special Service.)
 Spokane, Wash., Oct. 25.—This city is thrown into excitement by the disclosures of City Health Officer D. C. Newman in his statement to the board of health today. He attributes the present spread of scarlet fever in Spokane to the use of the free textbook in public schools.
 "The practice in schools has been for new pupils to use books of children confined to homes by disease. As long as this prevails the disease will be with us. School books cannot be properly disinfected. Furthermore, children having mild forms of disease are not reported to the health department, and germs left by them in school books get in their deadly work quietly and without detection."
 "The matter is likely to be called to the attention of the board of education to see if plans cannot be adopted for

EIGHT THOUSAND IN HER STOCKING

(Journal Special Service.)
 Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 25.—Clarence Leonard and a handsome young woman who says she is his wife, were arrested here Sunday at the principal hotel, where they have been stopping about a week, and spending money as freely as water.
 The pair is charged with cashing a \$30,000 New York forged check. More than \$3,000 has been recovered. Eight \$1,000 bills were found in the woman's stocking. Leonard admitted his guilt, but was inclined to resist extradition, but the young woman pleaded with him and he finally agreed to return and stand trial. From New York word is received that the man is employed by Haakins & Sells, public accountants, and cashed forged checks. At the same time he was paying attention to Katherine Milne, of Englewood. He says he married her, but the minister who Leonard says performed the ceremony has no recollection of them. The couple registered at the hotel as Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fay of New York.
BLAIR'S CONDITION FAST IMPROVING
 (Journal Special Service.)
 St. Louis, Oct. 25.—Physicians attending James Blair, former general counsel of the 184 world's fair, today announced that his condition was improving. The grand jury today resumed its inquiry into the charges made against him.

HE SCORES NEW ACT

Judge Bellinger Reverses Cortelyou's Deport Order.

LAW IS TYRANNICAL

Although Statute Regarded as Giving Too Much Power to Inspector—In Main It is Upheld to Be Good Law.

Judge C. B. Bellinger of the federal district court this morning nullified the act of Secretary George Bruce Cortelyou of the department of commerce and labor, who had ordered the arrest and deportation of Victoria Gautier, the French woman detained under close confinement by the immigration inspector, for alleged immorality of character and presence in this country contrary to law. She was arrested by Inspector Estell of the immigration bureau, in company with Louise Lea, similarly accused.
 They were taken to the House of the Good Shepherd, ordered to be kept from communication with others, and a report was sent to Secretary Cortelyou, who returned a warrant for their arrest and an order for their deportation. They petitioned for a writ of habeas corpus through James Gleason, their attorney.
 It was represented to the court that petitioners were unlawfully deprived of their liberty. District Attorney Hall in reply upholding the action of the inspector.
 Authorities were cited and the judge, after consulting them, handed down his opinion this morning, of which the essential parts are:
 That Victoria Gautier came to this country in November, 1902, prior to the passage of the act of 1903, which could not be retroactive, and that, therefore, its provisions could not apply to her; that the return of the government inspector, based upon which Secretary Cortelyou issued his deportation order, on its very face stated that she came here prior to the passage of the 1903 act, and that, therefore, she could not be deported under its provisions. Consequently Judge Bellinger ordered her set at liberty, and thus nullified Secretary Cortelyou's deportation orders.
Reverts the 1903 Law.
 In giving the opinion, Judge Bellinger took occasion to express a view of the act of 1903, which he characterizes as virtual tyranny. Under it, says he, no person, alien or citizen, is safe from the immigration inspector. These inspectors are empowered to take any person into custody, charge him with being unlawfully in the country, place him on a ship and send him to a foreign port, according to the order of the judge, invested with powers by this act that surprise one than congress ever would enact a law of such a nature.
 The opinion has created a sensation among the lawyers, none of whom appear to doubt the absolute soundness of the court's doctrine.
Cortelyou Says "Do Nothing."
 It is intimated that when the position of Judge Bellinger was telegraphed to Washington, Secretary Cortelyou realized that his deportation order was illegal, and wired back to Victoria Gautier, who had asked what he should do: "Do nothing."
 Louise Lea remains in custody, inasmuch as she arrived in this country in August, 1903, subsequent to the passage of the act of 1903, and her counsel will file a reply to the inspector's return of the privilege of making this filing was accorded by Judge Bellinger, who concurred with granting it, stated that it would do no good to the cause of counsel's client.
 This law of 1903 makes it illegal for any woman from another country to come here from another country. Prior to that no law prohibited the coming of such a woman, unless she were imported. But the law of 1903 makes it unlawful for such a woman to come. The pair is charged with cashing a \$30,000 New York forged check. More than \$3,000 has been recovered. Eight \$1,000 bills were found in the woman's stocking. Leonard admitted his guilt, but was inclined to resist extradition, but the young woman pleaded with him and he finally agreed to return and stand trial. From New York word is received that the man is employed by Haakins & Sells, public accountants, and cashed forged checks. At the same time he was paying attention to Katherine Milne, of Englewood. He says he married her, but the minister who Leonard says performed the ceremony has no recollection of them. The couple registered at the hotel as Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fay of New York.

THOMPSON INDICTED

Receiver LaGrande Land Office Charged With Corruption.

BIDS FOR 'COMMISSIONS'

The Charge is That He Offered to Safeguard Entry Cases Through the Department for \$50 Apiece.

Asa B. Thompson, receiver of La Grande land office, has been indicted by the federal grand jury, charged with negotiating with persons who had filed on public lands to carry their entries through the land department at \$50 a quarter section. It is alleged that he went from La Grande to his former home county, Umatilla, and arranged to collect from numerous persons \$50 apiece, with the prospects of realizing not less than \$2,000 from 40 entrymen who had filed on public lands. It is not yet known whether or not the specific testimony before the grand jury relates to the 46 cases, but a witness asserts that had the dozen or so entrymen been successfully negotiated with, the sum realized from these and other entrymen would have aggregated about \$2,000.
 Mr. Thompson will come to Portland voluntarily and appear before the court, probably in a day or two, when he will be arraigned.
Installed Last April.
 Asa B. Thompson in April last succeeded S. O. Swackhamer, of Union, Union county, as receiver of La Grande land office. Thompson lived at Echo, Umatilla county, being a livestock rancher. He was a member of the legislature of 1901 as joint representative from Umatilla and Morrow counties. He was the first legislator to make the break to John H. Mitchell when the latter was elected United States senator at that session of the assembly.
 He received his appointment as a reward for voting for Mr. Mitchell. He is the son of O. F. Thompson, a pioneer of Umatilla county, and a former sheriff of that county. Thompson is now a Republican, having left the Democratic party a few years ago. He was reared a Democrat.
Defendants' Right to Appear.
 The right of defendants to appear before the federal grand jury was the subject of comment this morning by Judge Bellinger, who said, upon the assembling of the jury this morning: "It has come to my ears that certain persons who are now under investigation wish to appear before you in their own behalf. The law does not compel you to permit them to appear, it being optional with you. But it is proper that you seek all evidence that will throw light upon the questions involved in the various cases, in order that you clear up all circumstances and secure all information that will aid you in reaching a decision that will do justice to all."
 It is suspected that one of the persons who wished to appear before the jury is S. A. D. Pater, who is under investigation in connection with the alleged land-fraud cases.
 The McKinley-Ware-Puter case was not completed up to noon. It will be voted on probably tomorrow. It is a question whether or not more witnesses will be called. It was understood that the jury was practically satisfied they had secured enough testimony to take intelligent action, unless some of the defendants were permitted to appear in their own behalf.
Not Blamed for "Leak."
 Judge Bellinger this morning made a statement to the federal grand jury that cleared up the matter to which he referred on Saturday, with reference to the leaking of information as to what was testified to before the jury in cases that have been before them. When they appeared in court, he said that he had been informed that the jury-room was constructed so that it was possible for outsiders to hear what went on inside, and that it was plain that none of them had been giving out information. "I am glad," said he, "to learn this."
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GEN. R. A. ALGER IN PORTLAND AN HOUR

Gen. Russell A. Alger arrived in Portland this morning at 7:45 o'clock on Southern Pacific train No. 16. He remained at the union depot but 45 minutes, departing over the Northern Pacific train No. 8 for Seattle at 8:30 o'clock. The general is traveling in the private car "Michigan."
THE POPE'S ENCICLICAL.
 The first encyclical of Pius X was read by Father Kennedy at late mass at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception yesterday. The communication is of considerable length and deals with the allegation of society from the church, and exhorts the archbishops and other clergy to use means to bring it back to the church.

HUGH M'LAUGHLIN

New York, Oct. 25.—Hugh McLaughlin, who has been for half a century boss of the Kings county Democracy, says today he doesn't care a rap for Pat McCarron's fight. He says he declined to support two of the men recently nominated by the Democratic committee for city offices, and that his supremacy is still recognized.