

HOLDUP RECORD FOR 48 DAYS MONUMENT TO THE SOLDIERS APPROVED

Total of Only \$286.55 Secured--No Brutality in Any Instance--Bad Gang of Boys and Amateurs Broken Up.

Since the first of last month there have been reported to the police 25 holdups, or attempted holdups, which have occurred in this city.

Of this number 18 were crimes in which money was taken from the victims. The highwaymen secured in all \$286.55, according to the reports received by the police.

That Portland is not suffering more from the work of thugs than any other coast city, or many of those in the East, is the opinion of Chief of Police Hunt.

While no one has been convicted of any of the following holdups, the detectives have two suspects in the county jail serving time for minor offenses.

SMELT IN SCHOOLS IN COWLITZ RIVER

Smelt began to run Monday in big schools for the first time during the season. As a result the steamer Kellogg arrived in port last night from the Cowlitz river with about 200 boxes of the fish.

ATHLETIC MAIDEN SHOWS HER MUSCLE

An athletic girl is a poor person to snowball and one Portland urchin will testify to this statement with a hearty "aye, aye!"

UNION WILL NOT SECURE A LICENSE

J. Pearson says that the sailors' union will not take out a license to ship sailors. He says that Deputy District Attorney Spencer advised him to consult a lawyer on the subject, but further than to notify the union officials at San Francisco of the matter he has concluded to do nothing about it.

December 24--D. H. Kingery, 991 East Main street, robbed of \$18 by two young amateurs, who were very nervous. They had evidently watched him close up his store.

December 25--Highwaymen attempt to rob H. Fassberger in his meat market at Fourteenth and Gilman streets, at 7 p. m., but were frightened away.

December 26--Charles A. Cundiff, 272 1/2 Oak street, accosted by two men and relieved of \$1.60.

December 27--Clarence Griffin, 644 Gantenbein street, held up in broad daylight at no. 25, taken from him, at Fifth and Hoyt streets.

December 28--Unknown man stopped at Tenth and Burnside streets at 10:50 p. m., but he had no money taken from him.

December 29--Man refusing to give his name robbed at Seventeenth and Flanders streets. At point of revolver \$11 in money and \$200 in checks were taken from him.

December 30--James Polley, 179 Madison street, held up and robbed of \$23 near First and Stark streets.

December 31--John Madron, Kalama, Wash., held up but not robbed, at Eleventh and Flanders streets, at 8:30 p. m.

January 1--Charles E. Frazier, 390 Seventh street, robbed at 6:30 p. m. at Seventh and Columbia streets; robbed of \$15.

January 2--Supposed attempt to hold up C. E. Buchanan, 341 1/2 Morrison. Met three men on Yamhill street, near the postoffice, and a revolver was pointed at him, but nothing taken.

January 3--John Harris, 9 p. m., held up at west end of Burnside street bridge and robbed of \$3.50.

January 4--Fergulst, 490 Broadway, stopped by two men at Union avenue and East Everett, at 10:30 p. m., but nothing was taken from him.

January 5--Unknown victim robbed of 75 cents at East Eighth and Welder streets. Occurred at 7:30 p. m. Both men masked.

January 6--Sam Long, laundryman, 631 Front street, held up in his shop by two men, who rob him of \$26.60.

January 7--Two highwaymen, one masked, held up M. G. Leigh in his back yard at 305 Couch street, and go through him for \$2.75.

January 8--Wing Chung, 246 Sixth street, robbed of \$10.

January 9--Karl Gronstadt thrashed a robber who attempted to hold him up at the foot of East Washington street. Thug escaped without any booty.

January 10--Gilsan saloon, at Tenth and Gilman, held up by two young amateurs, who took \$5 in cash and a supply of whisky and cigars.

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pered her back with well-directed wet snowballs. An instinctive feminine "Oh!" she whirled on the offender and, without the least apparent effort, picked him up where his flapping jacket joined his brownie overalls and swung him gently back and forth.



SOLDIERS' MONUMENT TO BE ERECTED IN NORTH PLAZA BLOCK.

The accompanying picture is a reproduction of the proposed soldiers' monument which it is intended to erect in the north plaza block. It is taken from a photograph of the original model and is now on file with City Auditor Devlin.

CALIFORNIA FRUIT CROP WILL SUFFER

LACK OF RAIN AND SNOWFALL THREATENS SERIOUS DAMAGE--GENERAL AGENT STATELER OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC TALKS ON THE SITUATION.

Southern California is going to be in a bad way the coming fruit season unless an unusual amount of rain falls during the coming next six weeks.

Such is the statement of T. K. Stateiler, general agent of the passenger department of the Northern Pacific railroad at San Francisco. Mr. Stateiler arrived last Monday with Assistant General Passenger Agent A. M. Cleland, and will visit the Sound with Mr. Cleland before returning to Frisco.

"Up to the time I left, Southern California did not have a drop of rain," said Mr. Stateiler, "and the fruit is going to suffer greatly. I also understand that the usual snowfall has not appeared in the mountains and irrigation reservoirs will be dry next summer.

"Trade conditions in San Francisco are good. The unions are refusing to allow tradesmen from outside to enter the city and the union men already there are being kept busy. I know of a negro who recently came from Louisiana because he heard that masons were getting \$5 a day in Frisco. He went to work on the board of trade building and after half a day's work the boss told him to join the union or quit work.

DAVITS REPAIRED. Capt. George H. Dunbar, master of the big bar dredge Chinook, is in the city having the davits which support the suction pipes repaired. The work will be completed tomorrow, and the captain will then return to Astoria.

give permission for the erection of the statue. An accompanying letter from James Jackson, chairman of the construction board, gave the dimensions as follows: The base of the monument is 22 feet 6 inches in diameter, the walk or roadway surrounding it is 12 feet wide, and the total width which will be occupied measures 46 feet and 6 inches.

WILLING TO PAY \$3,500 FOR PASTOR

TAYLOR-STREET M. E. CHURCH WILLING TO ADD \$1,000 TO PRESBYTERY SALARY IF NECESSARY--SUPPLY COMMITTEE TO MEET BISHOP HAMILTON WEDNESDAY.

"Taylor-Street M. E. church desires for its next pastor a man of national reputation and one who is among the best in the denomination."

The congregation apparently is willing to stand behind this declaration, since steps have been taken to assure the next minister of the church the highest salary paid any minister in the city. The church at present pays \$2,500 a year to its minister, and in addition gives him the church parsonage, the value of which is probably \$900 annually in rent.

Though no action has been taken by the church as a body, nor by the official board, and none will be taken until some man is found and the salary question becomes a live issue, still the sentiment of the leading members of the church is in favor of a greatly increased salary. If necessary, to induce a strong man from the East to take the pastorate.

At present the church is waiting for the arrival of Bishop Hamilton of San Francisco, now in Everett, Wash., who will be tendered a reception by the Methodist ministers of the city Wednesday night. The bishop has the appointment of the pastor, but will consult with the supply committee of the church. This committee is composed of A. N. Smith, T. S. McDaniel, and Dr. E. C. Brown.

GETS THE PROPERTY IN SPITE OF WILL

Excluded by her father's will from any share in the paternal estate, Ida May Fuller, formerly Ida May Nickum, proved in the county court yesterday that she is the only legitimate daughter of J. W. Nickum and that Mary E. Nickum, as his wife, and Walter and Myrtle, as his children, were of illegitimate connection.

DRY BONES WILL BE RATTLED MUCH

SEVERAL NEW CRACKER COMPANIES WILL TRY TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS TERRITORY--THE EASTERN TRUST IS FIGHTING--WAR WILL COME OF IT.

The cracker situation in this city is getting rather complicated. Several new companies are preparing to invade this field and a general shaking of dry bones in the cracker industry is promised.

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Trouble Has Begun. Troubles in the cracker business have begun at Spokane. It is now announced that the National Biscuit company, the large Eastern trust with its 35 factories, has invaded that field and will do battle with the Inland Cracker company of that city, an independent concern.

Cracker men of this city deny this and say that there is no war. They say that the National biscuit company has for several years been doing business all over the country with its package goods, but they do not think that it will attempt to wage war with the local companies.

The Standard Biscuit company of San Francisco, which has had an office and distributing station in this city for the past six months, is succeeding so well in its business, according to the local manager, J. E. Moran, that already the firm is making arrangements to move from its present location, 232 First street, to a larger place at 28 Front street. The company will keep its office and storeroom here until its new factory is built and ready for operation.

MARTIN IS COMING BACK TO PORTLAND

"Yes, I'm coming back to Portland," responded C. F. Martin, secretary of the National Livestock association, today when asked if he ever expected to again favor this city with a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin will depart this evening, over the Southern Pacific railroad, for their home in Denver, where the headquarters of the National Livestock association is located, and where the next annual convention will be held.

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