

# POSTOFFICE SAFE BLOWN OPEN BY ROBBERY

## Robbers Secure Small Amount of Money and Stamps, After Entering the Office by the Rear Door—Explosive Does Not Rouse Sleeping Citizens.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Forest Grove, Feb. 15.—The Forest Grove postoffice was broken into, the safe blown open and the contents rifled by robbers at 1 o'clock this morning. Although several persons heard the report of the explosion, the robbery was not discovered until H. C. Atwell, postmaster, and Wilbur McEldowney, assistant postmaster, opened the doors this morning at 7 o'clock. The exact amount of money and stamps stolen is not known, but this is small, as Postmaster Atwell remitted the receipts of the office to Portland yesterday.

When the postmaster entered the office this morning he found the front of the safe blown open, papers were scattered over the floor and the office was in a general disorder.

### Money Taken Off Safe.

The robbers entered the office by the way of a rear door which they broke open and passed through an inner, which they opened with a skeleton key. Once inside the office they broke the disk off the safe with a sledge hammer and it is believed they used dynamite to blow the door off its hinges.

John Anderson, a tailor who resides two blocks away, and his wife heard the explosion. Jasper Williams and Laird Gregory, students at Pacific university, who had just returned from a skating party, also heard the explosion.

### Business men of the east side are greatly incensed at the contemplated building of a wooden depot on that side of the river by the O. R. & N. company, and a special meeting has been called for next Monday evening by the East Side Business Men's club to protest against the proposed action of the corporation.

All the business men on the east side insist that the new depot should be a solid structure of either stone or brick, and that the wooden structure is not only a disgrace but a danger to the property of the city.

### WILL PROTEST AGAINST WOODEN DEPOT BUILDING ON EAST SIDE

The O. R. & N. company is planning to bridge the river above Fulton and bring in all the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific trains through the east side, where they will stop at the depot. This is looked upon as another reason why a suitable building should be erected and not one of which the east side shall feel ashamed.

### TANGLED TONGUES NOW ATTEMPT TO WIN FOLLOWERS BY FORCE

After having enjoyed one whole week of comparative peace, the followers of the tangled tongues met this morning to trouble again, but this time the difficulty is with the city authorities, and not with a mob. Since the trouble of last Saturday night, Apostle Brown and other brothers who had received special policemen's stars have delegated to themselves all the authority of a high sheriff of the middle ages.

### SELLS AGAIN AT SENATOR MULKEY HIGHER PRICE IN CHAIR

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# LISTED OF DEEP PART OF COLUMBIA BAY PASSES

## Carcass of Strange Creature Like Devil Fish Thrown Upon Cannon Beach.

### STRANGE ASSEMBLAGE OF AQUATIC ANATOMY

#### "Unipus," Instead of Octopus, Has Horns, Turtle's Head and Seal's Flippers and Is Eyeless—Estimated Weight Five Tons.

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Astoria, Or., Feb. 15.—W. E. Warren, who is in from Elk cove, reports that when passing along Cannon beach he saw a devil fish between 80 and 100 feet long and from 12 to 15 feet across. It seemed to have numerous tentacles, all tangled up in a great mass. He believes it must have been dead for some time, as the stiffening was almost unbearable. The fish covered a large space on the beach, and its weight, Mr. Warren thinks, would be over five tons.

This is without doubt the largest devil fish ever seen so far up the coast. Others who have seen the devilfish say it shows strange variations from the ordinary type, which is so well known that its structure is thoroughly established. It is said the specimen on Cannon beach has only one tentacle, is eyeless and has a horn, or horns. Its body is described as like that of the octopus, or true devilfish. Its head is said to be like a turtle's, and it has the flippers of the seal.

### SOUTHERN SENATORS KEEP UP OPPOSITION

#### Simmons First of This Element to Favor President's Amendment.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 15.—The opposition of the southern senators was renewed this afternoon when the conference report containing the president's plan for excluding Chinese coolie labor was taken up in the senate.

Aldrich, who is recognized as the tactical leader of the Republican side, had hastened back from New York and the Republican lines were strengthened.

### FOR TITLE IN FIVE YEARS INSTEAD OF TEN

#### Heyburn Exerts Himself for Federal Reclamation Claims.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 15.—Senator Heyburn of Idaho today secured from the senate committee on irrigation consent to an amendment to the agricultural bill permitting settlers who go on lands under the homestead law as applying to government irrigation projects to pay the balance due at the end of five years and take patent, thus making their property subject to local taxation.

### SUIT TO DISSOLVE MILL OWNERSHIP

#### ARREST OF CARMEN LEADS TO DAMAGE SUITS

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# ASTORIA LOST HARD-FIGHTED BATTLE IN HOUSE AGAINST MEASURE.

## Reapportionment Bill Passes Upper House Despite Strong Fight by Portlanders.

### ENTITLED TO TWO MORE THAN GIVEN BY SOLONS

(By a Staff Correspondent.)  
Salem, Feb. 15.—Thirty-three votes passed the Port of Columbia bill in the house yesterday afternoon. One of the most earnestly fought battles of the session, and despite the opposition of Clatsop county, The Multnomah delegation, headed by John Coffey, fought the measure through the house against the eloquent appeal of McEue of Clatsop, who contended that the measure was not right nor just on the face of it, and intended to place a burden on the shoulders of a small district for the commercial gain of a large one.

The fight which has raged in the joint meeting of the delegations from Columbia, Clatsop and Multnomah counties when no decision could be reached was renewed when the bill was called for special order at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

McEue made a touching appeal for Clatsop county and opposing the measure. He said the bill was an effort on the part of one district to discriminate against another. That of Portland, he said, wanted to subvert all interests to their own. He argued that it was simply a case where the big wanted to crush down the weak. He appealed to the common justice of the members and argued that the legislature should be bold and strong enough to regulate the abuses at the Columbia bay, if any existed there without taxing Clatsop county for Portland's gain.

### TO EXCLUDE JAPS

#### Memorial Introduced by Coffey for Exclusion.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)  
Salem, Feb. 15.—Representative Coffey of Multnomah has introduced a memorial introduced last night he calls the attention of the president and of congress to the fact that the people of Oregon are unanimously demanding the exclusion of all coolie labor.

### KILL WATER CODE BILL

#### Lobby of Interested Corporations Put Measure to Sleep.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—Organized water power interests and a well-drilled lobby of interested persons put the water code bill to sleep in the house yesterday afternoon.

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# REAPPORTIONMENT BILL PASSES UPPER HOUSE DESPITE STRONG FIGHT BY PORTLANDERS.

## Entitled to Two More Than Given by Solons

### Rest of the State in Combine to Shut Out Metropolis From Her Share—Vote for the Bill Is Eighteen to Eleven.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)  
Salem, Feb. 15.—Population of Multnomah county as fixed by the last official census, 129,129; ratio of apportionment for senators, 15,122; number of senators Multnomah county is entitled to, 8; number allowed by the senate reapportionment bill, 11.

This was the situation that the Multnomah delegation faced on the floor of the senate yesterday afternoon. They fought to the last ditch for full representation, but were beaten by the vote of 15 to 11. Multnomah county's senators proved themselves valiant fighters, and for two hours made the hottest battle that has occurred in halls of the capitol building during the present session.

The vote by which the bill was passed follows: Ayes—Bingham, Booth, Bowerman, Caldwell, Cole, Coshaw, Hart, Hedges, Laycock, McDonald, Miller of Linn and Marion, Mullit, Schiffer, Smith of Umatilla, Wright, Coos and Curry, Gresham, Hodson, Johnson, Kay, Lauehrer, Malarkey, Nottingham, Siebel, Smith of Marion, Wheelan.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF NEW THEATRE FILED

## First Official Step Toward Opening of East Side Playhouse.

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# FREE IN DENES BAD MOTIVES

## Multnomah Representative Says He Did Not Introduce Bill for Aiding Land Sharks.

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