HURRIED FROM CELLS TO COMMIT ROBBERIES

Members of Postoffice Gang Took Only One Month to Get Together and Form Theoretically Successful Plundering Band—How Rankins Lost Caste With His Pals.

Within 30 days after being released from penitentiaries in Washington, Colorado and South Dakota, the members of the famous postoffice gang were plying their criminal pursuits in Portland.

This was determined yesterday when Postoffice Inspector E. C. Clement received a communication from the warden of the federal penitentiary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, stating that Charles Anderson had been released from the prison at that place last October after completing a five years' sentence for robbing a postoffice in North Dakota. Anderson was given transportation to Seattle by the government and he lost no time in hurrying to Portland to meet the rest of the gang. Anderson was known in South Dakota as Louis Peterson.

When it is considered that Anderson was released from South Dakota penitentiary in October, Wane from the Colorado prison in October, Kelley from McNeil's Island in September, Carter from Walla Walla in November, it can be seen that the men lost but little time in recognizing each other's talents and formed of the worst band of criminals who ever came to the northwest.

It is even considered possible that the men were in communication while in prison, and knowing that their terms of sentence would expire about the same time conspired to meet in Portland to continue their trade.

According to the officers, Wane was the safe man of the gang. He possesses an expert's knowledge of various safes' mechanism and knows just how much nitro-glycerin is needed to open any safe ever made. Anderson was the "blacksmith." He is a mechanic of ability and could make a good living at his trade in any part of the country. Under Wane's direction it was his duty to make the borings at just the right angle and proper depth. Kelley and Carter were the thugs of the gang. They were to be depended upon in case of trouble to do the shooting and aid in the "get-away." Rankins was the "gay-cat"—the man who located places to be robbed, with a description of the make and character of the safe to be rifled.

It was due to Rankins' error in describing the safe at Gresham, where it was blown open to such an extent that Wane could see the money through a crack in the inner door, but could get no further, that that robbery failed. Had Rankins given the proper description there would have been no bungling of the work and the robbers would have secured a good haul. Rankins error lost him caste with the crowd and he was in disfavor with his confederates at the time the men were arrested.

In addition to the records of the men already known to the authorities, it is said that Wane robbed a safe in South Dakota, where he made a large haul. Nothing definite can be learned of this piece of work.

SHOULD DRAIN INTO COLUMBIA

Sewer in Northwestern District on Wrong Slope, Says G. B. Frank.

The Vernon Presbyterian church, East Twentieth and Wygant streets, was packed to the doors last night by indignant residents of the northeastern district who believe that the proposed assessment of their district to meet the expense of an extension of the Irvington sewer is unjust. They drew up a remonstrance which was generally signed and which will be presented to the council this afternoon by about 50 of the taxpayers who were present last night and who will urge the protest. George B. Frank presided and the church was entirely too small to accommodate all who wished to attend.

Mr. Frank opened the meeting by stating the object and brought out the main grounds for the protest. He said that the district which it was proposed to assess would derive no benefit from the sewer at all, that the district should extend no further north than 100 feet north of Prescott street instead of 100 feet north of Going street. He contended that the natural slope from Going street was north toward the Columbia river and that a sewer draining that district into the Columbia should be constructed.

Deputy Auditor Gill was present from the auditor's office with maps of the district and explained the drainage that the Irvington extension would accomplish.

VIOLATES THE LAW FOR TWO-BITS PER OFFENSE

Lebanon People Charge Doctor, Not Named, Peddles Whiskey Prescriptions.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., April 17.—The report comes from Lebanon of a doctor at that place violating the local option liquor law. The community is said to be incensed and threatening to take drastic measures to have his practices brought to an end. Regardless of the truthfulness of the certificate he appends to each prescription, it is alleged that he freely gives them out for 25 cents and directs the druggist to fill them for one quart of whiskey. The records of one druggist, it is said, reveal that this is the only practice he possesses and that regardless of the age or ailment of the applicant, he fills out the orders for the intoxicant.

Under the law it is necessary for the physician to append a certificate to each prescription written to the effect that he has examined the patient and finds him in need of the stimulant prescribed. Many of the so-called invalids, it is said, are ready to go on the witness stand and swear their health was perfect at the time alleged examinations were made.

The community realizes that under the provisions of the law there is no means of bringing about this doctor's conviction and the advisability of petitioning the county medical society to take the matter before the state board and demand that he be barred from practice is being considered.

The father of a minor recently found under the influence of liquor obtained through this source is so incensed that he offers a reward of $50 for the conviction of the party or parties selling the intoxicant or making it possible for the same to be obtained.

SUIT TO COLLECT BACK TAXES IS THROWN OUT

(Journal Special Service.)

Springfield, Ill., April 17.—The suit instituted by order of the governor for $5,000,000 back taxes alleged to be due from the Illinois Central railroad was thrown out by the supreme court this morning. The court refused to assume jurisdiction and told the attorney-general to bring the suit in a lower court.

Tonight's Harwas Concert.

Tonight's concert at the Heilig promises to be a splendid testimonial to the popularity of Miss Elizabeth Harwas, for whom it is to be given. The sale of seats has been very large.

The Chickering piano will be used. The concert is under the management of Mr. George Baker.

FINE BOWLING ON OREGON ALLEYS

Two Very Good Matches Were Enjoyed by Spectators Last Evening.

Two good matches were bowled by the city league players last night on te Oregon alleys. The teams competing were the Monarchs vs. Parks and Columbia vs. Nonpareils. The Monarch team started out to win by knocking down 936 pins the first game, after that they pegged along easily, winning the three games, totaling 2,678. Their opponents were unfortunate by not having a full team, Anspach failing to show up. The highest single game was rolled by Ambs, 219. Rowe had the best average, 195. The Columbia-Nonpareil match was close. The former team secured the first game by 6 pins. The second was a walkaway for them, and the third the teams tied, each getting 837. This game was settled by Captain Kalk and Captain Sumption bowling a game. Kalk won with a score of 191. Sumption rolled 172, which gives the Columbias two out of three games. Ogden had the highest single game, 214. Sumption had the best average, 188. Following are the scores:

MONARCHS.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Ave.
Raymond	178	165	174	172
Dolphin	193	144	169	169
Talbot	162	184	182	180
Rowe	203	182	201	195
Capen	200	173	167	180
Total	936	848	894	

PARKS.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Ave.
Hague	156	174	156	162
Dale	179	164	130	158
Withers	173	169	196	179
Ambs	219	167	187	191
Anspach	100	100	100	100
Total	827	774	769	

COLUMBIA.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Ave.
Gillespie	185	168	192	182
Boland	150	129	173	151
Hill	115	166	123	135
Kees	189	150	180	173
Sumption	194	201	169	188
Total	833	814	837	

NONPAREILS.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Ave.
Ogden	214	139	184	179
Hinnenkamp	127	127	144	133
Head	162	146	184	164
Tonsing	137	181	186	168
Kalk	187	163	139	163
Total	827	756	837	

Tie game, Sumption 172, Kalk 191.

Thursday night the Webfoot team plays the Gophers and the Chinooks play for an average.

Texas Golf Tourney.

(Journal Special Service.)

San Antonio, Tex., April 17.—With an entry list far in eclipse of that of last year the second annual tournament of the Texas Golf association opened auspiciously today on the links of the San Antonio Golf and Country club. The golf clubs of Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, El Paso, Cleburne, Galveston, Austin and Waco are represented in the tournament, which is to last three days. The excellent scores and the promptitude of both players and officials in today's qualifying rounds combine to give promise of the best tournament ever pulled off in the southwest.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	8	3	.728
Los Angeles	6	3	.666
Oakland	3	6	.333
Portland	3	5	.375

Seals Beat Angels.

(Journal Special Service.)

Los Angeles, April 17.—The Seals met and defeated the Angels yesterday. Score:

										R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	2
San. Fran.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	8	1

Batteries—Nagle and Hogan; Jones and Street. Umpire—Perrine.

WAGES AND PRICE OF LUMBER ARE RAISED

(Journal Special Service.)

Helena, Mont., April 17.—All western Montana lumbermen have been granted an increase in wages, effective May 1, ranging from $5 up per month. The lumber companies will also raise the prices of lumber from $1 to $5 per 1,000 feet.

Burns Healed in One Day by "The Household Surgeon." Druggists refund money if Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil fails. 25c.

Smallware Needs

25c Imported Tooth Brushes 17¢
25c Nickel Skirt Hangers 19¢
Shell Back Combs, 50c value 25¢
Ball Pearl Buttons, for trimming, all sizes, card of one dozen 10¢
Dress Shields, corset protectors, all sizes, 60c value 45¢

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Watch for Friday Ad

My, but we have got a splendid lot of specials ready for you for Economy Friday this time! See Thursday night papers and Friday morning Oregonian and be here early.

Demonstration Kitchen Helps—Third Floor

Now Comes a Rousing Good Sale of Filmy, Foamy Laces

A brilliant bargain event, a stupendous sale, one that will be a sensational success because of the vigorous values that obtain. Supply your lace needs at this sale, for this is a bargain of unusual merit, a sale that has to do with the distribution of hundreds and hundreds of yards of rich, beautiful laces.

And not only do we give you a chance to buy Laces at this sale, but we add to it some exquisite colored embroideries and a superb lot of trimming braids in one sided and straight band effects.

The Laces are Oriental Net top edges, Point Venise Galloons, Point Venise Bands and Allover Laces. So many patterns that we can't begin to tell you of all of them, but the assortment is a splendid one, and the early birds at this sale will find grand bargains here for them. Read how the bargains run:

MAIN FLOOR

Regular 25c qualities go in this sale for, yard 13c
Regular 35c Embroideries, Laces and Braids, yard 18c
Regular 50c Laces, Embroideries and braids, the yard 25c
Regular 75c Laces and Braids sell for, the yard 38c
Regular $1.00 qualities are going for only, yard 48c
Regular 40c Laces, Embroideries and Braids, the yard 19c
Regular 65c Allover Laces sell for, the yard 35c
Regular $2.00 qualities are selling for only $1.25
Regular $2.50 qualities are going for, the yard $1.48

45-Inch Dotted Waist Nets for 58c

There's another marvelous bargain, nets that you pay regularly $1.00 the yard for.. Fine patterns, too, and they come in white or cream, and of course the 45-inch width is just the one you want. Come for some of these Allover Waist Net laces early Thursday, yd. 58c

Silk Petticoats at Half Price

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Thursday Second Floor.

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A special purchase on a lot of splendid quality Silk Petticoats enables us to make a wee price for Thursday that will eclipse in value, even any of our own former offerings. Made of rustling, swishing silks, in all the good colors, and the much wanted changeable colors in green and red as well as the regular street or evening shades. A few blacks and almost every color you could ask for.

They're made right, too, with a broad, deep flounce, which is finished with small ruffles and tucks or accordion pleating. And they all have extra dust ruffles, too, some silk and some in the mercerized. You can't think of anything that helps more to make a woman feel dressed right, than a pretty underskirt. Attend this sale and have a mighty good quality for half the regular price. $8.50 values for $4.25.

$4.25

Watch Sunday Papers For Another Bargain Monday

Shirt Waist Suit Sale Friday, See Thursday's Journal

GRAMMAR LEAGUE

East Side Section.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
North Central	1	1	0	1000
Hawthorne	0	0	0	.000
Woodlawn	1	0	1	.000

Mt. Tabor Section.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Mt. Tabor	1	1	0	1000
South Mt. Tabor	0	0	0	.000
Montavilla	1	0	1	.000

Games Today.

East Side Section—Hawthorne vs. North Central.

West Side Section—Couch vs. Ladd.

Games Tomorrow.

Mt. Tabor Section—South Mt. Tabor vs. Montavilla.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Ed Lauson, the old Atlanta catcher, has signed with the Steubenville team in the P. O. M. league.

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The following eastern league managers are all ex-major league players; McAllister of Buffalo, Duffy of Providence, Kelly of Toronto, Kittredge of Montreal, Dunn of Baltimore and Bean of Jersey City.

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When the minors gave the majors the "ha ha." Providence 2, Boston Nationals 1; Atlanta 10, Brooklyn 5; Springfield, Ohio, 6, Chicago Nationals 3.

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The Binghampton team of the New York State league did nice work during their tour of Virginia league cities.

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Only six men batted for .300 or better in the Northern-Copper Country league last season.

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Last year the National and American leagues drafted 65 players from the National association clubs.

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William Schriever, John O'Neill, Mike O'Neill, Al Selbach, Arthur Brouthers and Harry Doescher, all ex-majors, will play with the Harrisburg team in the Tri-State league this season.

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The Three-I league managers this year are: Monte McFarland, Clinton; Belden Hill, Cedar Rapids; Claude Stark, Dubuque; John Tighe, Rock Island; Frank Donnelly, Peoria; Frank Donovan, Bloomington; Harry Scharnweber, Springfield, and George Reed, Decatur.

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Catcher Frank Roth of the Chicago White Sox has been transferred to the Milwaukee club.

Cue Expert Is Here.

Mike Sampson of Chicago, who for five years was the champion amateur 14-inch balkline billiardist in the United States, has come to Portland to reside. Some night next week Sampson will play a match game with Henry Solomon in this city.

In Pool Tourney.

In the Multnomah club's pool tournament last night Ross defeated Jenkins 56 to 28.

FIGHTS FOR TONIGHT

Carl Anderson vs. George Moreau, 10 rounds, at West Hammond, Indiana.

Abe Attell vs. Tommy O'Toole, six rounds, at Philadelphia.

Maurice Sayers vs. Tommy O'Toole, 10 rounds, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Devoes Win First.

C. C. Cline's Devoes opened their season last Sunday by defeating Troutdale with ease by a score of 18 to 8. The condition of the grounds accounted for the large score. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Troutdale	8	7	5
Devoe	18	24	9

Batteries—Troutdale, McDonald, Wallace and D. Chapman; Devoe, Craig and Thomas, Gardner and Wood.

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