

# CONDUCTORS LOSE HEADS

### Eleven Are Dismissed on the Oregon Water Power Division as Result of Numerous Complaints Sent in to the Main Office.

Eleven of the veteran conductors of the Oregon Water Power division of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company were dismissed from the service the first of the present month as the result of long continued complaints which had been growing in the offices of the general manager.

General Manager F. I. Fuller would not discuss the matter this morning, though stating that 11 men had been dismissed. He stated that he as an officer of the company could not discuss the matter one way or the other.

# MRS. SMITH FINDS HER MISSING SILVERWARE

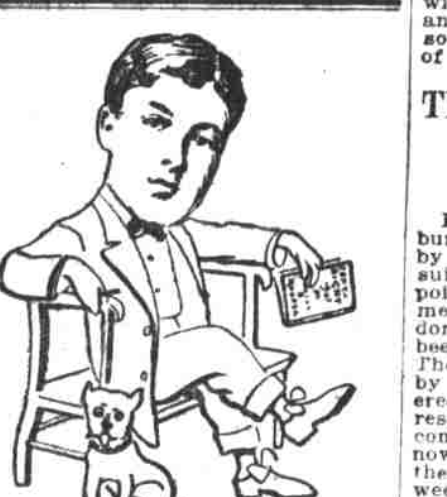
### Valuables Had Been Packed in Trunks Preparatory to Moving and Forgotten.

The reported theft of silverware said to have been stolen from the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Smith at the Hill proves to have been without foundation in fact. It transpires today that Mrs. Smith packed the silverware with other property in arranging her apartments before going to the sea coast, and when she returned was unable to find it. She reported to the police that it had been stolen, but on moving to the Smiths' new home at 730 Hoyt street the silverware was found where it had been placed in one of their trunks.

# HUNG TSU'S BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED

With those weird and mysterious rites so dear to the celestial heart, the local lodge of the Chee Kung Tong, better known as the Chinese Free Masons, celebrated the birthday of Hung Tsu, an illustrious warrior and tutelary deity of the organization, who went to his eternal rest about two centuries ago.

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# COBALT CAMP IS GROWING RAPIDLY

### Development of Silver District Retarded By High Freight Rates.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Sept. 1.—Consul Wakefield of Orilla, Canada, says the development of Cobalt camp as a silver district has been exceedingly rapid. In 1905 and 1906 a tremendous amount of prospecting and development work was done, and the vast value of shipments placed Cobalt in its position as one of the silver districts.

# ESTHER MITCHELL IS EXEMPT FROM PRISON

### District Attorney Holds that Girl Cannot Be Removed From Steilacoom.

(Journal Special Service.) Seattle, Sept. 2.—Esther Mitchell, who shot and killed her brother, George Mitchell at the King street passenger station in July, 1906, within a week after the man had been discharged by a jury in the superior court for killing Franz Edmond Creffield, the high priest of the Holy Rollers, will in all probability not go to the penitentiary ward for the criminally insane.

Following the killing of her brother the Mitchell woman was adjudged insane and sent to the state asylum at Steilacoom, where she is now.

There is no controversy between the state and the friends and counsel of the woman that she committed a criminal act, but it was long before the statute was enacted that provided for the keeping of the criminally insane at the penitentiary at Walla Walla.

The new law does not in plain words explain itself as to "criminally insane," but prosecuting attorney Kenneth Mackintosh and other lawyers who have gone carefully into the statute declare that it is only the convicted insane that can be removed to the penitentiary ward.

"I do not think, under the statutes, that I can put Esther Mitchell in the penitentiary," said the prosecuting attorney yesterday. "Under the present plans of the office, she will remain at Steilacoom. We construe the law as applying only to those who have been convicted of felonies by reason of insanity, as in the Chester Thompson case."

George Mitchell's excuse for killing Creffield was that the Holy Roller leader or ruined Esther, Maud Creffield, widow of Creffield, was charged by the state with instigating the murder of George Mitchell. The Creffield woman committed suicide in the county jail last winter.

# Reduced Rates to Astoria.

For the benefit of those wishing to attend a meeting of the Norwegian Singing Society held at Astoria, August 31-September 1, 2, and the 13th annual Astoria regatta, September 2, 3, 4, the Astoria & Columbia River road names a round trip from Portland of \$2. Tickets on sale August 30-31, September 1, 2, 3, 4, returning expire September 2.

# KLAMATH CAPITAL IN BANK OF DORRIS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Klamath Falls, Or., Sept. 1.—The new town of Dorris, on the California Northeastern railway, which is building into the Klamath basin, is to have a bank. Klamath capital will finance the institution. Of the five directors three will be citizens of Dorris. The promoters are Charles E. Wardner and Fred Meeseba of this city, both of whom are organizers and present officers of the American Bank & Trust Co. of this place. A fine two-story building will be erected immediately, and in the interim office room has been secured in the store of George Wardner. Dorris is experiencing a steady, healthy growth, and will be a town of considerable importance. The Bank of Dorris will serve a great section of country and will doubtless grow into a large and sound institution with the development of the country.

# THIRD DISTRICT FAIR COMMISSIONER OUT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., Sept. 2.—H. M. Cockburn of Milton was recommended by the district fair commissioners as a suitable man for the governor to appoint to succeed Judge Hartman as a member of the board. A resolution endorsing Mr. Cockburn's nomination has been passed by the board of directors. The resolution will be taken to Portland by Judge Hartman himself, and delivered to the governor, along with his resignation as one of the third district commissioners. The commissioners are now making elaborate preparations for the fair, which will be held the last week in September.

# STRIKEBREAKER TAPS OUT MESSAGE

(Journal Special Service.) Philadelphia, Sept. 2.—Wilmer D. Higbee, a veteran Western Union operator, died in the Western Union office Thursday night under the strain due to overwork. When the operators went out Higbee stuck to his chair. Thursday night he fell from his chair. The manager ran to him. As the manager grasped him to raise him up, Higbee used the index finger of his right hand on the back of the manager's hand, tapped out in the Morse code: "I am dying. Apoplexy. My third stroke.—Good bye."

# QUARREL OVER WATCH LEADS TO AN ARREST

Alice Carter was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective Price on warrant charging her with larceny, issued upon complaint of Albert Franke of Rainier. The complainant alleges that the woman stole a valuable gold watch. According to Miss Carter, Franke purchased the timepiece for her in a local jewelry store. She claims that some time later but she declares that no demand was made on her for the watch by her friend. Pending a hearing in the police court, the accused is out on \$200 cash bail.

# WAGE EARNERS ARE TO BLAME

### Bank Failures Impossible If People Who Toiled Could Invest Savings.

Last night at Alley hall, under the auspices of the Socialists of Portland, F. M. McHenry, chairman of the depositors' committee of the late Oregon Trust & Savings bank, delivered an entertaining and instructive lecture on "Present Banking Methods, Their Defects and the Remedy." Mr. McHenry reviewed the history of modern banking from its inception in Amsterdam to the present time in our city. He said in part that the defect in the system was owing to the credulity and ignorance of the depositors, mostly working men and women.

"It is not the bankers' money or capital that goes into the bank and from the bank into the channels of trade," said the speaker, "but your money, the workers' money. Men and women who have the ability, mental and physical, to acquire money do not seem to have the ability to invest it safely. Many imagine that the banker accepts deposits, puts it in the vaults and guards it with a shotgun. On the contrary, they take it in through one window and pass it out through another to some contractor, speculator or promoter to put the depositor to work to keep him and her at work. And all the time working for the banker."

The speaker instanced the sale of telephone bonds good security no doubt but putting a double burden on the wage earner and depositor by selling them below par with a lot of stock thrown in as bait, compelling the user eventually to pay interest on bonds and stocks. He spoke of President Moore as one of the model bankers of this or any other city. He had been intimately acquainted with him for a number of years and spoke in the highest terms of his honesty, ability and uprightness.

What defect there was or is, is not owing to Mr. Moore, Mr. McHenry or the bank directorate, but to the system under which banking is done. He had reason to believe that most of the depositors would be paid in full by himself having no fears on that account.

The discussion which followed the address brought out strong sentiments favorable to government postal savings banks. William Vandergoot describing the system now in vogue in Holland, where the depositor has with him his bank book, where deposits are entered and withdrawals noted. A very simple and effective method and so popular with the people that they would not under any circumstances consider its abolition.

"You can," said Mr. Vandergoot, "with your bank book go into any part of Holland and deposit or withdraw your deposit with as little labor as you now mail letters or packages."

# TELEGRAPH COMPANY BALKS AT \$3 A DAY

### Men Who Took Striking Messenger Boys' Places Can Remain at \$40.

No more \$3-a-day men were wanted at the Western Union Telegraph company's headquarters in this city. Since the telegraphers' and messengers' strike the company, hard put because of need of men, has been paying \$3 a day for messengers. But the \$3 a day men have been notified that henceforth it is to be \$40 a month—to take or leave as they choose.

Most of the messengers are able-bodied men who went in as strikebreakers when the boys left, attracted by the good money offered. Many of them left permanent positions in order to secure the money. They believe that once in the employ of the telegraph company they would be kept. They have been given the privilege of staying in the city, but they must receive less than half the money they first received. Some of the boys who first went out are back at work, but only a few of them, and the company has with it all try to employ men as messengers as long as it can get them to stay on the job.

# ROSE SHOW LEADERS ORGANIZE TOMORROW

A meeting of the stockholders in the Portland Rose Festival society will be held tomorrow night in the rooms of the Board of Trade in the Chamber of Commerce building. The meeting is called for the purpose of perfecting the incorporation of the association and electing a set of directors, sufficient stock having been subscribed to permit of forming the corporation. Following the stockholders' meeting the newly elected directors will organize by electing a full complement of officers to serve during the ensuing year.

# Idaho's Tax Valuation

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Moscow, Idaho, Sept. 2.—The total assessed valuation of property in Idaho as finally approved by the state board of equalization, is \$97,441,446.55. Ada county's assessment is the highest, \$11,032,152.28. Then follows Shoshone, \$10,242,054.58; Nez Perce, \$10,055,818.10; Canyon, \$5,895,891.35; Latah, \$5,692,287.82. The revenue to be raised for state purposes this year is \$500,000, or \$150,000 more than last year.

# Society Wards Recaptured.

Archie Eggers, aged 16, and his cronie, Andrew Ryan, aged 16, were taken in charge by a policeman at the Union station yesterday while skrimishing about trying to board a blind baggage. The two youths, along with their Boys' and Girls' Aid society and were taken back there.

# Winema Is Afloat Again.

Klamath Falls, Or., Sept. 2.—The steamer Winema of Upper Klamath lake is once more afloat and on her regular trips. The boat sank the early part of August in a violent storm but is now much improved for the accident. A big excursion is being planned to celebrate the resuming of steamboat navigation on the upper lake.



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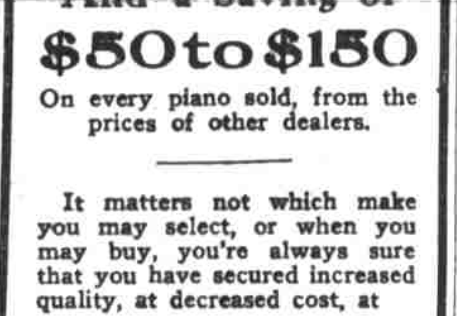
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# PEACE IN COUNCIL OF KLAMATH FALLS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Klamath Falls, Or., Sept. 2.—The mayor and city council of Klamath Falls are at last of one mind, after a deadlock lasting for months, on account of the council refusing to confirm the mayor's appointments. At the last meeting all nominees were confirmed. C. C. Low was appointed city marshal instead of W. J. Broderick, whom the council had hitherto refused to confirm. C. E. Stone, formerly with the federal reclamation service, was appointed city attorney.

# OKANOGAN SUSPECT ARRESTED IN IDAHO

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Moscow, Idaho, Sept. 2.—Olen Gordon, wanted in Okanogan county, Washington, for horsestealing, lies in the Latah county jail. Gordon was one of a traveling crew on the Little Potlatch, and was sewing sacks. He is accused of stealing a team about two months ago.

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# WASHINGTON CANNERIES TOOK MOST OF OREGON CHERRY CROP

It is estimated by Secretary H. M. Williamson of the state board of horticulture that Willamette valley growers received \$125,000 more for their cherry crop this year than last, all due to the demand from Washington canneries. More than \$100,000 was paid to the growers by Washington buyers and less than \$25,000 by local canneries. The Oregon Bartlett pear crop has gone in a similar manner. California canners have purchased practically the entire crop in Oregon, paying for it prices three times as high as was offered early in the season by Oregon canneries. The pear crop will amount to a great deal more than the cherry crop. Prune drying was commenced last week and this week will see that industry in full swing. The prune yield was very good this year and the quality better than usual. Prices also have remained favorable. Inspectors are planning the approaching spraying campaign which will begin the middle or latter part of October. An effort will be made to get spraying started earlier than usual in order to reach every tree in the state before spring. Laws regarding marketing of pest-ridden fruit will be vigorously enforced next summer without regard for buyer of producer. All infested fruit wherever found will be confiscated and the work of thoroughly making Oregon clean, horticulturally, will begin at once.

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