SETTLE FOR 40 PER CENT

Creditors of Golden Eagle Agree to Basis of Payment Offered—Oregon Savings Will Get $43,000 Out of $108,000 due.

By a pending settlement of the Golden Eagle department store's affairs, the creditors will receive 40 cents on the dollar, the assignee will be discharged by the court, the Golden Eagle corporation will be reorganized with new capital from eastern and local sources, and the store will be continued.

In such a settlement the Oregon Trust & Savings bank will receive $43,000 for its claim against the Golden Eagle. It is said Receiver Devlin has consented to accept a 40 per cent settlement. There are about 280 creditors of the store who must take a similar settlement. The eastern creditors' claims aggregate about $100,000, the Oregon Trust & Savings bank's claim is approximately $108,000, and there are besides a few Portland creditors to the extent of $10,000.

Lowitt Tells of Settlement.

Gus Lowitt, former proprietor and manager of the Golden Eagle, returned yesterday from New York and other eastern points, where in company with his attorney, N. D. Simon, he visited a large number of the creditors and secured written agreements for a 40 per cent settlement. He said today:

"We have had the very best kind of a reception everywhere, and experienced no serious difficulty in getting the creditors to sign up. It was simply a question of getting to them with the proposition. We have secured practically all of the creditors' signatures either to the regular contract sent out by us or letters directing their local attorneys to accept settlement offered.

"We propose to reorganize the Golden Eagle company, secure new capital and resume business at the old stand. Had not the Oregon Trust & Savings bank suspended we would have pulled through with the Golden Eagle department store. It was simply lack of enough capital to carry the business until it was established. The money lost was the natural running behind of a new business.

Both Worked Hard.

"I know of a department store in the east that put in $600,000 before its managers got it on a paying basis. The Golden Eagle was just beginning to pay when it got its knockout blow. It built up a great business there and the corner is worth $50,000 more than it was worth before. The eastern trip of Mr. Simon and myself was entirely successful, because we have worked very hard to make it so. Mr. Simon had worked as never a man worked to pull this settlement through."

Regarding the story that he had segregated a large amount of the money secured by him in overdrafts from the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, Mr. Lowitt said:

"That is absolutely false, and the checks and books of the Golden Eagle will show it. We have preserved all our checks, and they will show where the money went. Most of the money was paid out before we got it. Every dollar went to pay the store's bills and liabilities up to the time the management was transferred."

Mr. Simon showed a large packet of signed agreements, letters and telegrams from creditors, accepting the proposed 40 per cent settlement. He also submitted for inspection a long list of autograph signatures of creditors whom Mr. Lowitt and himself called upon on their eastern trip.

At the bank it was said that Mr. Lowitt, by his attorneys, had made a proposition. It was also said, however, that a proposition to pay 40 per cent of the bank's claims would make a very fair impression with the receiver. If the proposition is submitted by Mr. Lowitt to Receiver Devlin nothing can be done regarding it until it is first submitted to the courts. It is believed that the courts will direct the receiver to accept the 40 per cent settlement.

LAST CHANCE TO PAY IN TAXES

The tax list for Multnomah county will be kept open by Sheriff Stevens until 9 o'clock tonight in order that all those who have not yet paid their taxes and do not wish to have their property listed as delinquent will have an opportunity to pay. The work will be in charge of S. B. Martin, chief deputy in charge of the tax department. Tomorrow penalty and interest will begin to run against all property in the county upon which taxes have not been paid.

ONTARIO HIGH BEATS PAYETTE

Ontario, Or., Oct. 7.—In the second football game of the season between the Ontario and Payette high schools, played in this city Saturday, Ontario won, 16 to 5. The first touchdown was made in seven minutes' play in the first half by Roy Smith, Ontario's left halfback. Smith made two touchdowns. Payette failed to make its yardage during the first half and was clearly outclassed. Its five points were made in the last half on a questionable touchdown after Ontario had fumbled the ball twice when within eight yards of the Payette goal line. Fiser kicked goal for Ontario in the first attempt, but failed in the second. Payette failed to kick goal. Smith, O. Moody and Fiser of Ontario were the stars of the game.

The Ontario high school and the College of Idaho of Caldwell are matched to play here next Saturday.

MOTHER OF LOST SON FOUND IN SALOON

Chief Probation Officer Hadley is investigating the case of Mrs. Albers, 740 Union avenue, who, it is said, was found in a saloon Saturday night at the corner of Union avenue and Fremont street, in the company of several men and women. Mrs. Albers reported her 8-year-old son lost at noon Saturday and he was not found until 9 o'clock Saturday night.

When officer Mallet went to the Albers home to restore the boy to his mother he found her away and located her in the saloon. If the facts warrant, the child will be taken away from his mother and placed in some home.

BRAZIL ESTABLISHES NEW NAVAL BOARD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Rio de Janeiro, Oct. 7.—A new naval board has been constituted by the government, to consist of an admiral, two vice-admirals and 11 rear admirals.

DIVIDE FUND OF $100,000

Fiesta Committee Arranges Disbursement of Money For Carnival Features—Think 100,000 People Will Visit City During Show.

An arrangement for the apportioning of the $100,000 fund for the rose festival of 1908 has been agreed upon and issued by the committee on ways and means which is in charge of the expenditures and the various ways of furthering the cause of the festival.

The fund is to be collected and held in trust by Ralph W. Hoyt and is to be expended by the direction of the association.

The following division of the fund has been decided:

Rose show exhibition, decorations, music and incidentals for same	$ 3,500
Illumination on down town streets and thoroughfares	20,000
Concerts at night	1,000
Electrical parades	15,000
All-Oregon parade	5,000
Roses and floral floats parade	5,000
Children's parade	2,500
Illuminated "Spirit of the Golden West"	10,000
Automobile parade	2,500
Cavalcade floral floats, carriages and vehicles	5,000
Water carnival and aquatic pageant	5,000
Athletic sports and pastimes	1,000
Interstate gun club tournaments	1,000
Matinee automobile races	1,000
Costumes for figures on floats, permanent property, such as wagon trucks for floats, etc.	3,500
Review stand and decorations	500
General decorations	3,500
Advertising (10 per cent of whole)	10,000
Music for parades, etc.	2,500
Office expenses, supplies, rental, furniture, etc	800
Stenographic work	200
Bureau of information and accommodation	500
Contingencies	1,000
Total	$100,000

The statement is issued by the ways and means committee, composed of E. W. Rose, chairman, Julius L. Meier, H. C. Wortman, E. M. Brannick, Emmet Drake, F. Dresser, H. D. Ramsdell, Sig Sichel and George McMillan and by President Chester A. Whitemore and Secretary Bury I. Dasent.

It is figured by the committee that there will be 100,000 visitors in Portland during festival week and that the average tribute per visitor will not be less than $10, so that there will be a grand total of $1,000,000 spent in Portland by visitors during the week.

They figure that from a commercial point of view the Rose City can well afford to pay 10 per cent of its golden harvest for the entertainment of those who come to enjoy the festival.

It is believed, however, that $100,000 will be required to do full justice to the festival and it is expected there will be little trouble in securing this amount if everyone does his duty.

SEVEN MEN NEAR DEATH

Coal Mine Explosion at Ravensdale Sets Fuel on Fire—Injured Miners Have Miraculous Escape From Death by the Accident.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tacoma, Oct. 7.—The Northern Pacific coal mine at Ravensdale, Washington, blew up yesterday afternoon from gas which accumulated from a fire in the second level. Seven men, including Manager Harry McDowell, of the company store, were injured. No fatalities are expected and the injured men are resting easy. Escapes from death were miraculous.

Following the explosion portions of the mine caved in and the fire is still burning. All work has been suspended and large bodies of men are flooding the property in order to extinguish if possible the spreading flames and prevent further explosions and cave-ins.

At the general offices of the Northern Pacific Coal company in this city this afternoon it was denied that any serious damage was done to the mine. It was given out that the fire originated in one of the slopes and that there was no cave-in. It was further stated the flames were not spreading.

Ravensdale advices contradict the company's statement.

PORTSMOUTH BOYS ARE FOUND TO BE INNOCENT

H. H. White and Milton Vernon, arrested Saturday night at Portsmouth upon complaint of Roy Staub, a streetcar conductor, who accused them of having participated in an attack on him last Friday night, were discharged from custody in the police court this morning and the cases of assault and battery against them dismissed.

Staub, although holding at the time of the arrest that the young men were guilty, after due reflection decided that he had made a mistake and asked for a dismissal of the charges. Staub while on his way homeward on the night in question encountered a crowd of 16 bibulous bachelors who were celebrating the marriage of one of their number by drinking a 16-gallon keg of beer. Having no other means of creating excitement they set upon and beat Staub, with the result that warrants for five of the gang were issued from the police court.

WRECKED TRAIN TO SEE HER SWEETHEART

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Rochester, Ind., Oct. 7.—Miss Iva Wagoner, daughter of Rev. J. E. Wagoner today confessed she attempted to wreck the Lake Erie & Western passenger train a few days ago for the purpose of seeing her sweetheart, Frank Steffy, a section hand on the road. She said she piled ties on the track near here and waited. Steffy was a member of the wrecking crew called to clear the track and the girl greeted him. Miss Wagoner was suspected and a railroad detective courted her and finally got a confession.

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO RESCUE UNIVERSITY

Business Organization Will Plan Movement to Save the State College—Business Association Also Asks Assistance in Fight Against Referendum.

Monthly 6 o'clock dinners of the Portland Commercial club will be resumed on Tuesday evening of next week with a dinner at which the subject for discussion will be "The University." It will be a forum for threshing out the question whether or not the state of Oregon is to abandon the plan of its educators for a modern university with the higher branches of study taught in other great state institutions.

At a meeting of the board of governors of the Commercial club at luncheon today this and various matters were discussed. The plight of the Oregon State university has attracted the attention of business men throughout the state, and some remedy is being sought to prevent the institution from degenerating into a country school. The university's appropriations from the state treasury for carrying into effect the improved plans was defeated by the referendum vote at the last election.

A proposal of the East Side Improvement club that the Commercial club should cooperate in organizing a defense of the initiative and referendum law from attack by the Pacific States Telephone company was referred to some future meeting. It was explained that the telephone company's fight upon the referendum is now in the courts, and any agitation of the kind proposed would be construed as an attempt to influence the judiciary.

Under the heading of "slogans" Tom Richardson proposed for the city the slogan of "Down Grade to Portland." In a letter to the board of governors he set forth reasons for such a slogan and at the same time disclaimed any right to originality in his suggestion, as the phrase had been in frequent use in one form or another. His letter was referred to a future meeting when the slogan question will be considered. The letter follows:

Down Grade to Portland.

"While there is a universal disposition to select a slogan for Portland I trust at your meeting today you will decide to put before the Commercial club at the first monthly dinner of the coming fall for discussion, the slogan 'Down Grade to Portland.'

"This slogan is by no means original. It has been in all of our minds hundreds of times and has been the chief topic on which many thousands of columns of matter have appeared in the papers of this city.

"The centering here of the Columbia and the Willamette, the two leading rivers commercially between the Mississippi river and the Pacific ocean, tell the story of 'Down Grade to Portland' in a most emphatic way. The falls at Celilo and those at Oregon City sing but one song, and that's 'Down Grade to Portland.'

"The chief advantage Portland has over Los Angeles, San Francisco, Tacoma and Seattle is the only water grade through the mountains to the Pacific coast, making it 'down grade to Portland' from one of the greatest areas tributary to any city or port in the world.

"The business men of Seattle recently made their first busines men's trip, with the accent on the first, and when they got into the magnificent Inland empire which pours its product into this metropolis, they saw everywhere the one great truth, 'Down Grade to Portland.'

"'Down Grade to Portland' is put before the business interests of the world in the fact that 50 per cent of the Inland empire wheat crop finds its way to the markets of the earth 'Down Grade to Portland.'

"There is nothing to transportation but grade. The word grade tells all the difficulties of the Panama canal. The president and 17 governors are illustrating the down grade of the Mississippi valley to the people of the entire United States, and as a result of this down grade there is the cheapest rate known to civilization upon coal from Pittsburg to New Orleans, and that is the reason why the people of New Oryeans burn Pittsburg coal rather than that from the mines of their next door neighbor, Birmingham.

"I was present at the meeting in Tacoma which resulted in a committee being appointed to select a slogan. 'Watch Tacoma Grow' was only one of many offered. It could be made to apply to any other city just as well as to Tacoma, but 'Down Grade to Portland' can be applied to only one city on the Pacific coast and it is that one element, for trade seeks the lines of least resistence, that will ultimately make Portland the greatest metropolis and business center of all this portion of the United States and Canada.

"It is 'Down Grade to Portland,' that caused James J. Hill and his Great Northern railway to join with the Northern Pacific and build the north bank road.

Helps Open River.

"It is 'Down Grade to Portland' that makes this city lead all others in the United States of like population in the extent of her jobbing business.

"Now this is a homely slogan. As I said before, it is not original in any sense. It should not be the slogan of the Commercial club or the chamber of commerce, the Rose association of East Portland, but it should be the slogan of all Portland, for it is their right as a gift from nature. Our sister organization, the chamber of commerce, spends 90 per cent of its energy in demonstrating the force of 'Down Grade to Portland.' It is this same idea that brings members of the rivers and harbors committee, 'Down Grade to Portland' is the basis for all the efforts of the Open River association.

"It does not sound as euphonious as 'From Lewiston to the Sea,' but it means more. In fact, if we can all adopt this simple, intelligent slogan, which is so full of meaning, it will hasten the day when this city must of necessity be the chief metropolis of the Pacific northwest, for it is grade that rules transportation, and down grade that brings the cheapest freight.

"Very truly yours,

"TOM RICHARDSON,
"Manager."

GOT ON BICYCLE TO RIDE AWAY FROM WIFE WHO HARASSED HIM

J. M. Davis testified in Judge Frazer's court this morning that he mounted his bicycle and rode away from his wife, Malvino T. Davis, leaving her all his property, including several lots, a store and other articles of value, and was glad to escape so cheaply after four years of unhappy married life.

All this occurred in Kansas and Oklahoma prior to 1902, when Davis left his spouse. He was granted a divorce and climbed down from the witness stand breathing a sigh of relief.

"I did everything I could for her," said Davis. "But she accused me of immoral acts and made life miserable for me. Once I was appointed on a lodge committee to provide entertainment for a masked ball. She appeared happy to think I had received the honor and everything was all right until the night of the affair when she hid my costume and locked me in the house. She refused to mend my clothes and did not like to live on a farm. Because of this I moved to Galena, Kansas, where I started a store. She continued her policy of harassing me and I simply jumped on my bicycle one day and rode away.

"And I was glad to leave her and have never heard from her since," he added with a sigh of a man who has just laid down a heavy burden.

RUNAWAY SWEETHEART CAPTURED AND MARRIED TO WAITING GROOM

W. S. Kyler was the victim of an April fool joke this year when he secured a license April 1 to marry Minnie Cooper and found that the young lady had gone to live with her sister in eastern Oregon. Kyler felt blue over the affair but bided his time and had the satisfaction of marrying the runaway bride this morning under the protection of the license he secured six months ago.

Judge A. L. Frazer married the couple in his private chambers and as the knot was firmly tied, Kyler smiled the smile of a man who won after playing a waiting game. "All things come to him who waits," he said.

Miss Cooper blushed becomingly when she grasped the hand of her sweetheart and one would never have thought she had ever run away from him. She gave no reason for her act save to say that she was not ready at the time Kyler procured the license.

INSPECT CHILDREN TO SECURE HEALTH

Thirty physicians have agreed gratuitously to inspect the city schools under the supervision of Dr. Esther C. Pohl, city health officer, and a meeting will soon be held to outline the campaign and assign the districts. Dr. Pohl's plan of preserving health in the city schools is a unique one and wholly without cost to the school district or the health board. She has canvassed a large number of physicians, and with but two exceptions has secured the services of all.

Dr. Pohl's system, as outlined to the physicians who have offered their services, provides for a weekly inspection of the various buildings in the district for infectious disease. The doctors work without pay for the opportunity of experience and becoming acquainted with pupils and parents. The idea is a popular one, and caught instantly.

CITY ATTORNEY FILES DEMURRER

City Attorney Kavanaugh has filed a demurrer to the suit against the city of Portland instituted by Francis I. McKenna, alleging that McKenna who asked that the city be restrained from issuing public improvement bonds voted for at the last election, does not state facts sufficient to warrant a trial. The suit is a friendly one, instituted to test the validity of the bond issue.

JURY DECLARES WOLFMAN NOT GUILTY

The new jury in Judge Gantenbein's court found the first case not guilty. A. Wolfman, who had been arraigned on a charge of receiving stolen window weights, was the defendant. Several boys testified that they had sold weights to Wolfman, but their testimony was not strong enough to convince the jury and Wolfman was discharged this afternoon.

12 FOUND SLEEPING IN TEN-BY-TEN ROOM

Twelve persons sleeping in a room 10 feet square was the condition uncovered at 594 East Seventeenth street by Patrolman Hunter last night. His report says that 28 Italians live in a four-room house under conditions that are a menace to the health of the community. An open cesspool that smells to heaven is another source of complaint.

Arrests will be made under the ordinance providing for the amount of cubic air space in sleeping rooms.

STRINGING TROLLEY ON FRONT STREET

Trolley wire is being strung by the United Railways company on Front street, at the rate of about two blocks per hour. The line will be up to day from the Steel bridge to Hood street, and tomorrow it will be completed to the southerly terminus of the line. The Front street line will be ready for operation by Thursday of this week. Actual operation only awaits the arrival of the first freight locomotive ordered by the company from the east. Next week linemen will begin stringing trolley wire on Flanders street.

REINSTATE WIREMEN OR STAND FOR STRIKE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Denver, Oct. 7.—Final demand will be made tomorrow upon Vice-President Schlack of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, to reinstate three wire men who were discharged last week. If this is refused a general strike will be called immediately on the Denver & Rio Grande and Denver & Rio Grande Western. The trouble may spread to the Missouri Pacific and other Gould roads. The men were discharged for refusing to test Western Union wires, claiming that such work was outside their regular duties.

URGES AID FOR NURSES

Dr. Yenney Makes Strong Plea Before Ministerial Alliance for Assistance—Organization Is Doing Inestimable Good in City.

Dr. Robert C. Yenney was extended the privileges of the floor at the meeting of the General Ministerial alliance this morning to present the matter of needed support for the Visiting Nurses' association. Dr. Yenney is the physician who gives his services gratuitously to the association. He was introduced by Dr. W. H. Foulkes of the First Presbyterian church who spoke briefly of the work.

Dr. Foulkes called attention to the fact that the nurses association is unendowed and entirely dependent upon the generosity of friends; that its mission is the care of indigent people; that it has sent in good reports since its organization; that it employs two nurses whose entire time is taken up with visiting the poor; that they give two entire days to the People's Institute and the Jewish Neighborhood House; that they have just been admitted to systematic visits of the public schools; that their work has grown so they need another nurse; that the ministers would do well to offer sympathy and aid, and that Archbishop Christie has promised it for the people of his diocese.

Reach Lowly Class.

Dr. Yenney spoke more in detail of the work, laying stress on the fact that the visiting nurses reach the intermediate class, the proud poor who try to help themselves and keep out of the workhouse, better than any other class of charity. He said that the work in most cities is supported by the municipality. The nurses look after the neighborhood rather than the individual home, attending to unsanitary conditions and instructing the sick and their friends and neighbors what care to take.

"More cases of infection are detected by these nurses," said Dr. Yenney, "and reported to the proper authorities than through any other channel. They have arrested the spread of countless diseases by prompt attention to unsanitary conditions or the prompt report and consequent removal of sick persons. The two nurses now employed here are excellent. One was for years assistant head nurse at the Good Samaritan hospital; the other has been head of the visiting nurses since their organization."

The association expressed its interest in and full sympathy with the work and the president, E. M. Sharp, appointed Dr. W. H. Foulkes, Rev. A. W. Wilson and Dr. W. H. Heppe a committee to formulate some plan of action for obtaining financial aid.

Dr. Foulkes Resigns.

The committees for the year made out by the executive committee were read but referred back to the committee because Dr. Young of the First Methodist church and Dr. Dyott of the First Congregational church had been appointed on committees on the assumption that they would be members soon and because they represented large churches. Rev. H. C. Shaffer objected that the small churches, which chiefly represented the laboring element, were not represented on the labor committee and Dr. Foulkes, prefacing his remarks with the opinion that his church though large had more laboring men than any other in the city, for every man who worked for his living was a laboring man whether or not a member of a trades union, announced that he would resign his position on the labor committee because he was not heartily in accord with trades unions and could not thus do his best work.

The action taken at the recent meeting with Dr. Crafts at the Methodist church was indorsed and entered on the minutes, favoring resolutions asking Mayor Lane to work toward stricter theatre regulations, and asking the congressmen to work against the repeal of the anti-canteen law.

Dr. Foulkes gave an interesting talk on Gypsy Smith and his famous evangelical work from the knowledge he had of him through personal contact.

HIT WRONG MAN OVER DEAD WITH BOTTLE

As a result of too hasty action on the part of Leonard Folk and of the general appearance of Gus Anderson, a laborer in the Sellwood sawmills, the latter lies in the Good Samaritan hospital with a broken jaw and a badly lacerated face.

Folk had been quarreling with a man at one of the tables in the saloon at Twenty-third and Savier streets, last Saturday night, and upon the withdrawal from the barroom of his enemy, Folk dashed out upon the street in pursuit, seizing a beer bottle as he ran. In the dark, he mistook Anderson for his man and gave him a stunning blow on the jaw with the beer bottle.

Officer Burchill arrested Folk upon a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. O. Kilberg, a witness of the unfortunate event, was obliged to deposit $25 bail to guarantee his appearance in court tomorrow.

JOHN MITCHELL IS NEAR DEATH'S DOOR

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 7.—President John Mitchell of the United Mineworkers of America is near death's door in this city. It is feared appendicitis is developing, but Mitchell's vitality is so low that an operation would certainly result fatally. He has never fully recovered from a recent operation.

Everything possible is being done for the sick man at the home of Editor Saxton of the Mineworkers' Journal, whose guest Mitchell is.

The attending physician refuses to issue any statement, and the conclusion is that Mitchell is very near death's door.

SELECTING JURY IN THE SAWYER CASE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Oct. 7.—The case of James Sawyer, who shot and killed Jack Monee about two months ago in a harvest-field quarrel, was called in the circuit court this morning. Of the three murder cases at this term Sawyer's is the only one involving the charge in the first degree. J. H. Raley and W. C. E. Pruitt appear for the defense, and District Attorney Phelps for the state. The selection of a jury is progressing slowly. Sawyer claims he was intoxicated and had no intention of shooting Monee. Monee lingered several weeks.

$17,000 Sale.

Mrs. Fanny T. Montgomery has purchased the 54-room apartment house on the quarter block at the northwest corner of Eighth and East Morrison streets for $17,000. The sale was effected through J. J. McCarthy, Abington building.

If you have a want of any kind, insert a little ad in The Journal, cost only a cent a word, and you will get results. Phones: Main 7173; A-3230.

PLATT TO MAE WOOD

Woman Who Hopes to Prove Herself Aged Senators' Wife, Sends Letter to New York Supreme Court Regarding Thomas C.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Oct. 7.—The letter by which Mae Wood hopes to prove her alleged marriage to Senator Thomas C. Platt and which she has been directed by Justice Ford to produce in the clerk's office of the supreme court prior to October 10, in order that Platt's counsel may read, copy and photograph it, follows:

Be Patient and Silent.

"December 12, 1906.—Mae C. Wood. Washington, D. C.—My Dear Mae: I am willing to admit you are my legal wife and will sign such a statement, and do irrevocably and unconditionally waive my right under the law to in any wise use the papers signed by you in October, 1903, as I know the same were illegally obtained through fraud and duress. Further than this, I am unable to right the wrongs you have suffered. Be patient and silent a little longer, when all will be well, and believe me, your truly, T. C. PLATT."

Platt Denies Authorship.

The senator says he never saw, much less penned such a leter and declares the only knowledge he has of it is contained in veiled references made by Miss Wood in her correspondence.

Next to her marriage certificate, which Platt also declares to be a forgery, Miss Wood thinks the letter her strongest proof.

Another of the papers which Miss Wood has been directed to file for the inspection of Platt's counsel, purports to be an autobraph letter from Senator Platt written on November 8, 1901, the day before the alleged marriage ceremony was performed at the Fifth Avenue hotel.

The letter reads:

"Friday, Nov. 8.—Dear Katherine: It may be that I may not arrive at the hotel till 6 o'clock. You will occupy your room (158), till I come and signal you that I am occupying the one next you. Dinner will be ready at 6:30 and we will be ready for it. I sent a card by note to you this afternoon telling you that I expected you at 4 o'clock. Sincerely yours, P."

Concerning this letter, Miss Wood said:

Woman Kept Appointment.

"I kept the appointment made in this note from the senator. The room, No. 158, was in the Fifth Avenue hotel and adjoined Platt's suite, which consisted of a parlor, a sleeping apartment and a bathroom, numbered 159 to 160. We were married in my room Saturday and I remained until the following Monday."

ROAD WOULD GIVE FAIRS LOW RATES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Oct. 7.—The railway commission has the testimony taken at the hearing at Suver under advisement.

The hearing that was to be held at Airlie last Saturday was avoided by an informal conference between the railway officials and representatives of the citizens of Airlie before the time set. The railway people promised a new depot in the near future and the plaintiffs withdrew their complaint.

A telegram was received this morning from the Portland Light & Power company asking permission to lower the rate on exhibits for the Multnomah and Clackamas county fairs, effective October 10, applying to all except livestock. On condition that poultry in coops and cages is included in the low rate, the permission will be granted.

MIND UNBALANCED AT TIME OF DEED

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Goldfield, Nev., Oct. 7.—At this morning's trial in the case of John Hines, accused of the first degree murder of Count Podhorski, a Russian, who is said to have ruined his wife, Dr. Von Wedelstedt testified that, in his opinion, Hines at the time of the shooting was mentally unbalanced. He had a mania for killing ever since his wife told him of the occurrence with the nobleman. His affliction was monomania. He did not have the disease now, because, as the witness expressed it, "the splinter had been removed from the hand."

The physician refused to use the word insane when speaking of Hines' condition at the time of the shooting.

LITTLE TWENTY-TWO SCARES BIG ROBBER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 7.—As Joe Cox and his brother Calvin were returning home from Pullman in a wagon at night a single robber emerged from some bushes by the roadside, half a mile from town and called the boys to throw up their hands, at the same time climbing into the wagon. The boys, who are respectively 10 and 12 years old, had with them a 22-calibre revolver. Both were frightened but Calvin succeeded in discharging the weapon. This frightened the horse and it began to run and for some reason the would-be burglar jumped out. He was masked and carried a large revolver.

MARY JANE HOLMES EXPIRES AT RIPE AGE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 7.—Mrs. Mary Jane Holmes, author of 39 novels, died at her home at Brockport, New York, yesterday, aged 79.

PRESIDENT PROMISES SUCCOR WITH STRINGS

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 7.—A. E. Beard of Weston, Michigan, father of 11 children and married 14 years, wrote to President Roosevelt, being destitute, telling him of his troubles. President Roosevelt replied that if Beard does as well in the next 14 years he will present him with 40 acres, well stocked, in a fertile district.

Caught Playing Detective.

Alleged to have been playing the role of a private detective, John D. Davenport was caught peering through the front door into the home of L. D. Bohn, 775 Vancouver avenue, last night while an informal party was in progress. Mrs. Bohn, the hostess, saw Davenport in his suspicious position and thinking he was contemplating burglary captured and held him until her husband arrived when the police were summoned. That he was "shadowing" a woman guest in Bohn's home, being hired by her jealous husband, is the opinion of the police. After a severe reprimand at headquarters Davenport was allowed his freedom.

FEDERAL JURY CALLED

First Cases Will Be Taken Up Tomorrow Before Judge Wolverton—Minor Actions Will Claim Court's Attention for Month.

This is the beginning of the October term in the United States district court, and from now on long delayed criminal cases will be taken up and settled, land fraud trials will be commenced and cleared away and the congestion of the docket will be generally relieved.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the jurors summoned for the term appeared in the courtroom and answered to the rollcall. A large number were as usual desirous of being relieved from duty throughout the term on various excuses, most of which were alleged business deals which made it a financial loss for the juror to remain in Portland. A number of the applicants were permitted to return to their homes by Judge Wolverton.

The real business of the October term will commence in the morning when the first case on the docket will be called for trial. This case is expected to be that of an Indian who took liquor upon the Siletz reservation. Following these cases the other actions on the docket will be taken up in the order in which they were set down some time ago and disposed of.

According to government officials it is not expected that the land cases will be reached before the middle of November. The miscellaneous cases now on the docket will take some four weeks to try, and it is the intention of District Attorney Bristol to try these cases before taking up the land cases.

Francis J. Heney, who is planning to try the Hermann case, expects to be in Portland by November 15. He is now starting in on the second trial of the Ford case in San Francisco and after that will try the Calhoun case. It will require four weeks at least to finish these two cases, after which Mr. Heney will come to Portland.

Thomas B. Neuhausen, who has been instructed by the interior department to return to the United States district attorney's office from the office of the chief of the land division, which he has been filling for some time, is making the transfer of his office records today. He will cooperate with Mr. Bristol and Mr. Heney in the trial of the land cases now pending before the court.

It is expected therefore that there will be strenuous days ahead of federal court officials from this time on until near the close of the year, for it is not expected that the docket can be cleared of all the cases now pending and ready for trial before that time.

SAFE GANG AT WORK

Three Attempts Made in Different Parts of the City Saturday Night—Detectives Are Detailed to Make Investigation.

Three attempts to blow safes in widely different parts of Portland Saturday night have led the police to believe that a large and dangerous gang of safe-blowers is at work in Portland.

Besides the taree attempts Saturday night other suspicious cases are being reported at police headquarters and the entire detective force has been detailed on the track of the gang. So far they have been unable to secure even the faintest clew to the members of the gang or where they are hiding out.

Either late Saturday night or early Sunday morning members of the gang forced an entrance to the grocery store of Ira Russ at 384 Morrison street, using a skeleton key. They had succeeded in having the safe drilled and were evidently about to blow open the door when they were frightened away. They left a monkey wrench lying on the floor beside the safe and the till was wide open, $3 in silver being untouched.

At about the same time thieves forced their way into the store of R. R. Rabuch at Nassau and Millard streets, using a jimmy, and prepared to blow open the safe. They had soaped the door and lined the cracks with nitroglycerin. A cap and fuse had exploded but evidently the charge was not heavy enough to force open the safe. Several pieces of the partially burned fuse, a giant powder cap and a bottle of nitroglycerin were left by the thieves, the nitroglycerin and a tablespoon being found beside a tree across the street from the store. It is believed that two men were engagd in this attempt.

The third attempt at safe blowing proved successful. Staub & Sautelle have a real estate office at Thirty-second and East Belmont streets. They usually leave their safe open and their door unlocked. Saturday night, however, they locked the outer door, which has a simple lock that nearly every key would unlock. When they opened up the office this morning they found that the safe had been rifled and that two notes—one for $1,600 and another for $1,500—two certificates of deposit on the Citizens' bank and $2 in silver had been stolen.

SPOKANE FAIR BIG FINANCIAL SUCCESS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 7.—The thirteenth annual Spokane Interstate fair, which closed here Saturday after a successful run of two weeks, registered 128,480 paid admissions, which netted approximately $32,000. Other revenues totalled $74,550. The fair was a greater success financially than in any previous year. The big carnival shows $1,000 clear profit.

Racing was seen this year for the last time with betting allowed. The city ordinance prohibiting pool selling was amended to allow betting this year, but next year no pool selling will be allowed and in consequence the fair will be of a single week's duration. Between $85,000 and $65,000 daily changed hands on the races, reaching $80,000 derby day.

Portland Grays at Pendleton.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Oct. 7.—The Portland Grays played the local team yesterday. The game was called at the end of the fifth inning to enable the visitors to catch a train for Walla Walla. The score then stood 13 to 0 in favor of the Grays.