

PLENTY OF ROOM FOR COURT WORK WORKMEN HURT WHEN TRESTLE COLLAPSES, DITCHING TRAIN

Circuit Judge Advocates Use of West Side High School for Courthouse.

The suggestion that the county acquire the old West Side High school for a courthouse does not appear to be met with much favor by the county officials. The location would be far away, they think, from the business center of the city and would make it inconvenient for attorneys and others who have business at the courthouse.

County Commissioner William L. Lightner does not approve of the suggestion, although he says he has not gone deeply into the matter, as the idea was only suggested to him by one of the circuit court judges.

"I don't think we could find a better site than the one on which the courthouse is located at present," he said this morning. "My idea would be to build a new courthouse right here—and build a larger one. We are badly crowded now, especially in some departments. The tax office has been cramped for several years on account of lack of room, and other departments are similarly situated. This courthouse was put up a good many years ago, and Portland has greatly outgrown it. We need a new one. And I think that if we do build a new one we ought to put up an extra story that we do not need now. That would allow of room for growth as the city grows.

"It might be possible to tear down half of this building at a time and put up a new building. I don't know how that would be. That is a matter upon which an architect would have to be consulted. But I do not believe that the high school would do at all for a courthouse. It is as much out of date as this building and it is generally unsuitable. No, I don't think we could improve upon the present site."

The proposition to use the high school for a courthouse was made tentatively by one of the circuit judges, more, he says, as a suggestion than anything else, and he does not care to be quoted as proposing that the deal be made.

"I merely advanced the idea," he said, "to see how it would be taken. But I don't believe it is meeting with much favor among the county officials."

"Yet I believe the suggestion is a good one. That part of town will not be so far from the business center of the city one of these days, for the business section is already growing in that direction and several big blocks are going up not so far from the high school."

The high school building has 26 rooms and is well planned for a courthouse. And there is greatly in need of more room. We have only two jury rooms in this building, and it sometimes happens that we have three juries out at once. Then it is necessary to use one of the judge's chambers as a jury room. Besides, this building is old and unsightly, and it is two stories. When one of those beauties goes by we simply have to suspend proceedings, and the streets are always making a racket.



Gravel Train and Trestle Wrecked on East Side Hill.

A chain is no stronger than its weakest link. It is the same with a trestle or a bridge.

Two men were injured slightly by a trestle giving way in East Third street between East Washington and East Adams streets yesterday afternoon when seven loaded dirt cars of the Pacific coast gravel and gravel cars for the trestle collapsed and fell into the air in a second.

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A Jonas Young, 751 Saylor street, a motorist, was one of those injured. Young backed the train onto the trestle and when about half way across the bridge, where the fill is being made, there were a few sudden crashes and the sound of breaking timbers. Then came a crash and all were in the air in a second.

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LEFT WAGES BEHIND WHEN HE DISAPPEARED

A Chapman clothing salesman with the New York outfitting company, disappeared from his office in Astoria last Thursday morning at 11 o'clock and nothing of him has since been heard. Chapman is a native of New York and from a local bank on the morning of his disappearance, but failed to collect his last week's salary, nor did he take any of his personal belongings, all of



A. Chapman, Who Has Disappeared.

which were left in his room. His employers are unable to account for his disappearance and he is a native of New York and is supposed to be the son of a wealthy real estate operator in New York city. He is about 25 years old and had been in the employ of the New York outfitting company for the past 18 months.

KERN'S NOTIFICATION

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will be able to show that his candidacy is like one of those new fangled signs seen often on the street.

When you are approaching it it reads one thing and when you are leaving it it spells something else.

So, in this connection you will be able to show that in some places where Roosevelt is supposed to have popularity it is being swung into the case of his admirers that if Taft is elected the spirit of the departed Roosevelt will be found crouched behind the throne directing the new onslaught against the corporations.

TEACHERS TO TAKE TESTS WEDNESDAY

The city examination of teachers will be held at the Ladd school assembly hall, commencing Wednesday, August 26, and continuing three days. Daily sessions will begin at 9 a. m. and 1 p. m. Following is the program:

Wednesday, August 26, arithmetic, grammar, reading. Thursday, August 27, geography, physiology, writing. Friday, August 28, teaching, United States history, spelling.

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Dr. Cramer Cuts Off Ingrowing Claws of City Park Beast—Animal Trapped and Lassoed Before Operation Can Be Performed Amid Protest by Cat.

The toilet of a king is a great and wonderful affair. When the king's nails are trimmed he is surrounded with courtiers who stand by to see that the operation is properly performed; that no poison is inadvertently administered; that the nails are not cut too short for comfort; that they are cut short enough for service; that the proper attention is given after the operation.

His majesty King Nero was trimmed today and he lay in his chamber surrounded by state. Everywhere attendants flocked to do his bidding and to ease the operation. A courtier was there to lift his foot and to separate the digits; several were there to help hold the foot in place; many were there to lend moral support only; the doctor and his assistants were there and best of all the king's jester was there.

When it became apparent that Nero's toe nails were causing him an immense pain that he became so ill he could not eat heartily of his food, preparations were immediately made for a grand operation. The king's friends of the king were consulted and a physician, learned in Klingy indispositions, was called in. The operation was to be a painful one, for this king, mind you, had been constructed after the pattern of his prehistoric ancestors with sharp claws which he scratched and climb, and when in his luxurious life of laziness these claws fell into disuse they were ingrown.

King Made Prisoner.

It was decided to move the king into more commodious quarters. So this morning just after he had breakfasted and was feeling right fit, Rex was suddenly confronted with an open door to his cage which led into an iron-bound wooden cage. Suspicious he refused to move till he saw the smaller cage. The door was suddenly clamped down behind him and he was again a prisoner.

Then imagine his sensations as he felt the solid earth in smacking beneath him and felt himself being borne away on such a journey as he had not embarked upon since he left his lion comrades and took up his abode in the city park. He was merely being rolled away to another cage, but he was very angry and he was very beautiful, a beautiful, young affair, 30 feet long equipped with a commodious sleeping compartment, and built four feet high and four feet wide. His new home cost the park board \$500.

But Nero was not allowed to enjoy it at once. First he was run out of the rolling cage into a smaller one built inside his new home, and again a door was let down caging him. It mattered nothing to him that the smaller cage, the jester, Charles Herman, had his left arm badly bruised and his right arm skinned because he had let down the door too quickly and caught his arm. Nero did himself mind it much but merely let the veterinary surgeon, Dr. Cramer, sponge it. But then Nero began to get out of patience. He did not see why he should be shifted so often only to find himself in smaller quarters every time. And he protested in unmistakable tones.

King Beat Protest.

When he had beat himself for repose, though still watching the bystanders with suspicious eye, he suddenly noted a rope within his lair. He walked warily and protested loudly as he saw and upon a huge board was shoved in to cramp his quarters still more, he followed; then the rope

JURY RETURNS WRECK VERDICT

Smashup Was Unavoidable—No Blame Attaches to Anyone.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Aug. 25.—The coroner's jury in the heaviest ever held by John Nichols, the Southern Pacific engineer, and Ray Swartz and George Bailey, the youths who were killed in the wreck of the cottage stove load four miles north of Eugene Sunday night, returned a verdict last evening to the effect that the wreck was unavoidable and that no blame attaches to anyone.

The bill which caused the wreck was owned by Mrs. Nancy Bushnell, who resides on a farm near the scene of the wreck but who the animal, owned by Eugene, the Pacific coast, was a partner in it. The bill was a business here and had gone to Junction City, a number of hours ago Sunday. The bill was being pulled on the blind baggage on the last portion of the train. A young man, a Pacific coast youth of about 18, was with them and he was partly blind but the driver was not. The Pacific coast had some of his baggage but no baggage was damaged.

Chews Up Two-Inch Board.

The lion was prodded till he found it more comfortable to turn around, and when his back was to the crowd it was easy to shove his head against to keep him from turning again. The back claws were clipped for a safeguard that the lion could not get his head and front claws and when Nero lay by the panting with the effort and showing his bloody jaws which he had maimed at the first protestation when he bit through a two-inch board and scattered splinters and blood everywhere.

The inner cage was closed toward the center with a big board and the door raised by means of a pulley and Nero was free. He looked very hungry as he named his new quarters and spent his time in admiring their neat appointments, but he readily said the walls evoked his former life.

"I would not care in here to go now yet," said Herman, "I think he will more eat now in a few days. As it is so Nero." And he said the huge 400-pound beast affectionately. But Herman has a standing at Nero's court for he feeds him every day. And Nero knows he must be good to Herman.

Dr. Cramer packed up the five-grain quarter-grain capsules look like snow on an August day and took them back to town. Nero had shown his nerve, and moreover he may have been opposed to taking an anesthetic, for he did not know what he might say while under its influence. And that would be too embarrassing.

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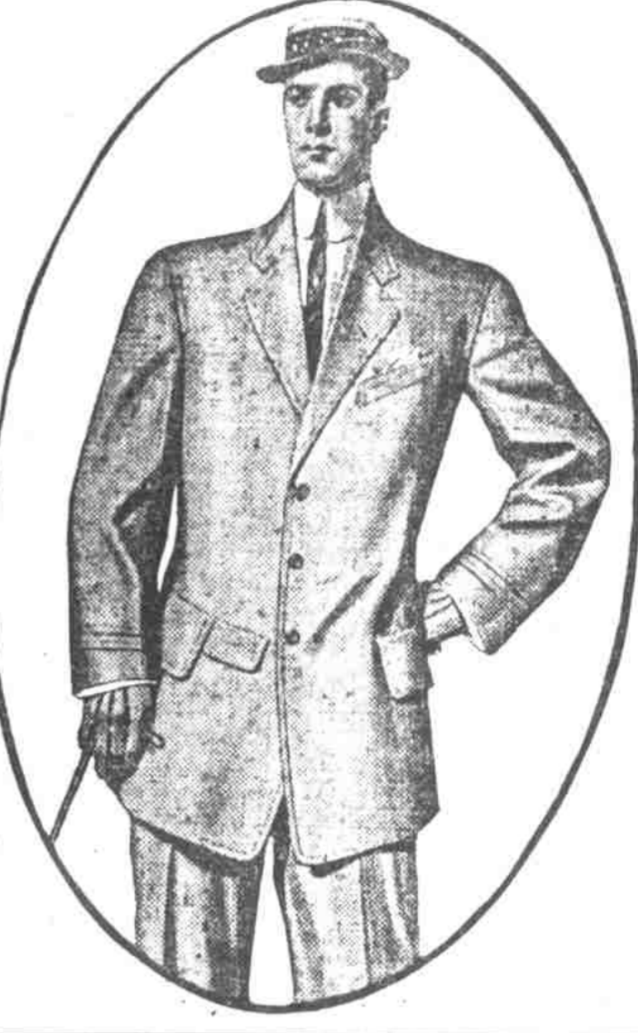
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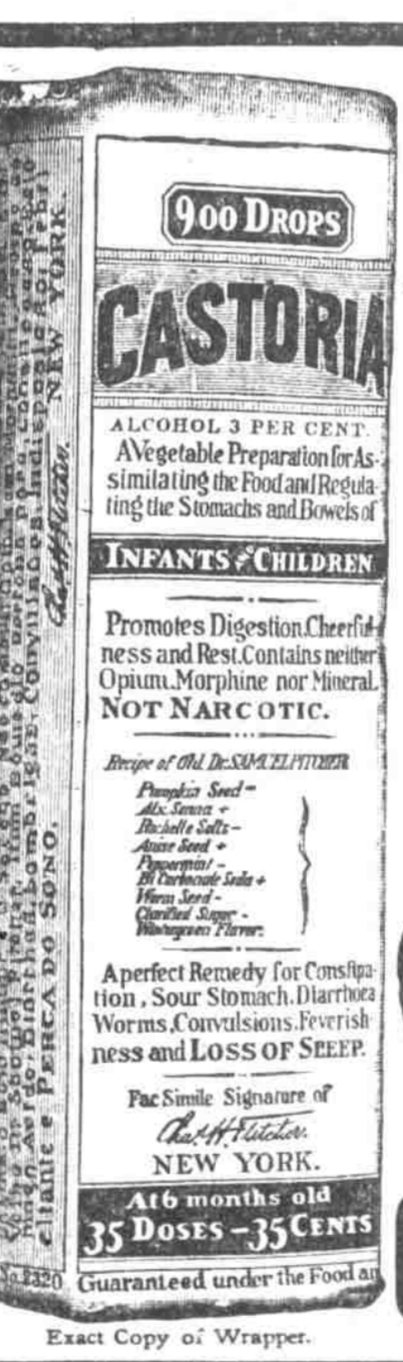
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BUREAUCRATIC RULES

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Reports this morning had it that the robber had taken to the thickly timbered mountains and that all trails are being closely guarded by detachments of cavalry.

The trail of the robber was plain for a distance of three miles from the scene of the holdup, but it was lost in the swamp. As the soldier has but two hours the start of the soldiers it was thought he would be captured before nightfall.

Guarding Trails.

Every outlet from the national park is guarded and it will be impossible for him to get out over any of the known trails without being apprehended by the soldiers.

If he is not captured it is thought he may be starved until he surrenders, by being confined to the park wilderness until hunger forces him to show himself.

Victim's Story.

R. R. Christian, one of the victims of the hold robber described the holdup as follows:

There were several coaches in regular line, each loaded with passengers. When the line stopped I was under the impression that the bandit was a man asking for information as to which way to travel toward the valley later. Then I noticed that he threw his rifle in one hand and held his right hand in the air. I know then that something was wrong.

The highwayman went through the passengers with much deliberation. He ordered a young man on the front seat of the head coach to get down and hold a cloth bag while he filled it with money and jewels. I heard him say to the first driver, "If you move those

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"Delighted."
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What sort of tea?
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Will you have your head blown off? Then he came along the line and took something that was handed him. He was the least nervous. Physically a good man in the crowd could have overpowered him but he had his arms raised over his head in such a manner as to avoid being shot at the least sign of resistance. One man did laugh at him and he raised his gun and fired a shot over his head. Next time I'll make it so lower," he said.

Notify Soldiers.

The highwayman made around the road and into the brush and the stage went along. At Thurston station he halted and called up several stations by telephone including the military post. Several detachments of cavalry were sent out at once.

In all of these stages are said to have been aimed in the first line. I could not see that the drivers of any of the stages were aimed and it seemed strange to me that they would not be protected by guards.

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