

BERRY AND FERGUSON ARE SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN STATE PEN

Young Fellows Plead Guilty to Robbery of Japanese Few Days Ago.

GIRL WIFE IS IN COURT

Defendants' Counsel Asks Court to Recommend That Another Parole Be Granted to Men.

Nicholas Sam Berry, 19 years old, and his cousin and partner in crime, Bert Ferguson, 17, drew 10 years in the state penitentiary today when they were arraigned and pleaded guilty to robbery. Circuit Judge Gilbert Phelps of Pendleton, sitting for Judge Kavanaugh, in passing sentence, said he might have been severe with the lads, but that the legislature, in its wisdom or lack of wisdom, had tied the hands of the court. Ten years is the minimum sentence for offenders of the Berry and Ferguson type. In the courtroom when sentence was passed was Mrs. Berry and her baby. The baby is not 2 months old, the wife is just past 19 years. Counsel for Berry and Ferguson asked Judge Phelps to recommend to Governor William Workman that another parole be granted to the young holdups. The court did not say whether such recommendation would be made. Despite their years, Berry and Ferguson are experienced in crime. When arrested two weeks ago, after a series of raids in which 28 Japanese farmers east of Portland were robbed, it was learned that the boys were under parole and that sentence of one year for stealing a motorcycle was hanging over them. They also have a record in the juvenile court.

WILL PRESIDE AT KNIGHTS' CELEBRATION



P. J. Hanley.

At the Washington celebration given by the Knights of Columbus tomorrow night at the Lincoln high school auditorium Honorable Joseph Scott will be introduced by W. D. Wheelwright, the "Star Spangled Banner." Others on the musical program are John Claire Monteith, Ines Dagmar Kelly, Stewart McGuire and the G. A. R. Quartet. The orchestra will play patriotic music. The celebration is open to all.

Andrew F. McMahon Wanted in St. Paul

Message Says Dying Mother Wants to Hear From Son Without Delay; Wire From St. Paul.

"Please try to locate Andrew F. McMahon of St. Paul, Minn. His mother is dying and wants him home. Have him communicate with family by wire immediately."

Girl Injured by Auto.

Injuries that will probably not prove serious were received by Roberta Yarbaugh, five years old, of 14 Knott street, when she was struck by an automobile owned by Floyd Holden, 25 Eleventh street, and driven by H. Plack of 66 North Third street yesterday afternoon at Mississippi avenue and Graham street. Holden rushed the girl to the St. Vincent's hospital, and then took the mother to the child's bedside.

Mrs. Margaret Fenton Ill.

Mrs. Margaret Fenton, mother of Mrs. A. C. Spencer, and a resident of Portland for 16 years, is critically ill at the home of her daughter, 526 Myrtle street. She has been in poor health for some time. She is also the mother of Mrs. D. D. Fenton, Dr. H. W. Fenton, Dr. Hicks C. Fenton, Dr. W. P. Fenton, and Mrs. G. W. Landess of Carlton, Or.; F. W. Fenton of Minville; H. L. Fenton, The Dalles, and James E. Fenton of San Francisco.

Woman Is Arrested.

While police and detectives today searched for Elsie Mills, who assaulted Mamie Dyer, a colored woman, last night at 404 Flanders street, injuring her so badly that she was sent to the Good Samaritan hospital, the assailant was before Municipal Judge Langsuth on another charge. The woman was arrested by Patrolman Collins and was sentenced to 10 days in jail. She will be charged with assault after her sentence is concluded.

Denver Chemists Interested.

Dallas, Or., Feb. 21.—A firm of chemists at Denver has sent here five gallons of the clay recently pronounced by experts at the O. A. C. and the United States assay office at Denver to be pitchblende. The Denver chemists intimate that if the samples of the stuff sent them show that it contains radium, they would be prepared to develop the deposit.

County Court Criticized.

Dallas, Or., Feb. 21.—At the monthly meeting of the Dallas Commercial club last week resolutions were passed condemning the action of the Folk county court in dispensing with the county roadmaster, and the Denver chemists intimate that if the samples of the stuff sent them show that it contains radium, they would be prepared to develop the deposit.

Accused of Bootlegging.

Charles Angers and Milton Van Horn are on trial before a jury in Judge Bell's department of the district court on a charge of selling liquor. Angers and Van Horn are former bartenders and when arrested two weeks ago said they were disposing of some holdover stock.

Affidavit Is Used in Drunkenness Case

A fraudulent affidavit certifying that one Henry Johnson had purchased alcohol for medicinal purposes, was used to convict Henry Hollenbeck and Charles Peterson of drunkenness in the municipal court this morning, and the same affidavit will be used in prosecuting the proprietor of the drug store at Union avenue and Russell street on a charge of violating the prohibition law by selling alcohol as a beverage. Peterson signed the affidavit, Sergeant West and Patrolman Spangh say. The name Johnson is an unidentifiable secret. Hollenbeck was sentenced to five days in jail and Peterson to 15 days by Municipal Judge Langsuth.

To Inspect Coos Road.

John M. Scott, general passenger agent, and James A. Ormandy, chief clerk of the passenger department of the Southern Pacific, started last night for Coos Bay to look over the new Willamette-Pacific railway. The line is now in operation between Eugene and Coos Bay, and the new line is practically complete from Marshfield east to the Umpqua river. The intervening Pacific, started construction but the big bridge over the Umpqua has not been completed.

LUMBERMEN FROM MANY SECTIONS OF COAST ARE ARRIVING

Series of Meetings Will Be Held in Portland During the Present Week.

Lumbermen from all parts of the Pacific coast, and several from as far east as Duluth, are arriving in Portland for the series of lumber meetings to be held here this week.

CHURCH NEWS

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Tillamook Branch Schedule to Be In Force Tuesday

Announcement was made today that the Tillamook branch of the Southern Pacific, having been cleared of obstructions left by storms and high water, would see restoration of daily train service beginning tomorrow. Since January 18, three-a-week service has been maintained when trains were able to run at all. With the prospect that no further storms would interfere, it was decided to put back the old schedule.

RIGHTS OF NEUTRALS TO BE DISREGARDED, ASSERTS MAX HARDEN

German Editor Says Time Is Past for Stars and Stripes to Protect in War Zone.

London, Feb. 21.—(U. P.)—With Germany's proclamation of her intention to attack armed merchantmen without warning operative only nine days hence, the newspapers today demanded that prompt steps be taken to combat this new campaign of "rightfulness."

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Will Start Work on New Sugar Factory

M. D. Gilman Arrives at Grants Pass to Take Charge of Building Operation, Which Will Begin Today.

Grants Pass, Or., Feb. 21.—M. D. Gilman, field superintendent for the Dyer company of Cleveland, Ohio, the contractor who is building the sugar factory here for the Oregon-Utah Sugar company, has arrived in the city from Salt Lake City with a number of men to take charge of the building operations. Officials of the sugar company will arrive Monday, and building operations are to commence at once.

PEDERSON MAY GIVE UP PLAN TO BUILD PUBLIC AUDITORIUM

It Is Rumored That Seattle Man Will Throw Job to a Portland Firm.

ERROR EVIDENTLY MADE

Boydjohn-Arnold Company Next Lowest Bidder on the Contract—Bids of Two Compared.

Rumor is persistent today that Hans Pederson of Seattle, low bidder on the Portland auditorium job, will withdraw and thereby throw the job to the Boydjohn-Arnold company of Portland, second low bidder, and \$27,000 higher than Pederson.

WILLIAM PRESTON, A PIONEER OF PACIFIC COAST DIES, AGED 83

Father of Portland Man Ran First Ferryboat Across Missouri River at Omaha.

William G. Preston, pioneer both of the middle west and of the Pacific coast, died Sunday at the home of his son, C. B. Preston, 540 East Twenty-third street north, after an illness of several weeks. He was 83 years old, having been born at Galway, Saratoga county, New York, November 23, 1833. In 1854, he emigrated to Nebraska, and operated the first ferryboat across the Missouri river between Omaha and Council Bluffs.

In 1858 he went farther west, lured by the mining outlook. In the Pike's peak country of Colorado he prospected for several years in the meantime building one of Denver's first homes. Later he removed to Idaho, then a part of Washington territory, and engaged in freighting between Idaho points and Umatilla. Since 1888 he had been identified with the town of Watsburg, Wash., having bought out the flouring mill interests of Mr. Wait, the founder of the community.

In 1889, Mr. Preston married Miss Matilda Cox, who survives him. Three sons were born of whom Charles E. Preston of Portland and Herbert P. Preston of Seattle are still living. Funeral services will be held at Watsburg probably on Thursday. The Elks' lodge of Walla Walla will have charge. Before the ceremony, the body will lie in state in Watsburg.

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Auto Driver Sentenced.

Clyde Jeffries, driver of a taxicab for the Lea Taxicab company, was convicted in the municipal court today of driving an automobile while intoxicated, and was sentenced to 10 days in jail. Jeffries' arrest followed a collision of his taxicab with an automobile owned by R. T. Brennan, standing in front of the latter's residence at 235 Fifth street.

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Dr. Spiro Sargentich Returning to Coast

Physician Was in Serbian Military Hospital—Until Army Detached to Saloniki—Much Suffering Endured.

New York, Feb. 21.—Dr. Spiro Sargentich of Portland, Or., who has been in the military hospital at Washington for the last month assisting in the care of wounded soldiers, reached New York recently on his way back to the Pacific coast. The doctor left Niah with the retiring Serbian army two or three days before the Austro-German occupation. The retreat of the troops to Saloniki required three weeks and there was constant rear guard fighting. The most fearful part of the journey was the crossing of the Albanian mountains, the roads of which, in quote Dr. Sargentich, were strewn with corpses of men and children of the retreating army, who had perished from hardship and exposure. The population of the little country has been badly depleted by four years of almost constant fighting, and the deaths of typhus claimed more victims, out of a population little greater than that of the city of New York.

60 Per Cent Hurt in War Resume Arms

Statistics Show Over Half of Wounded Return to Firing Line After Convalescing, Says Le Matin.

Paris, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Based on figures obtained at the Bordeaux hospital, where out of 200,000 wounded given treatment during the past year, 25,000 were able to rejoin their regiments after convalescing, develops, according to Le Matin, that 60 per cent of the wounded in the French army return to the firing line.

MISTAKES IN ESTIMATES

Seattle Contractor Says He Has Made Discoveries.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 21.—(P. N. S.)—Hans Pederson, Seattle contractor who bid for the construction of the municipal auditorium at Portland was found by his Portland representative in the estimates upon which the bid was based.

Pederson stated here today that he was checking over the estimates and that he had already found several mistakes which would indicate that the bid submitted was much lower than the actual cost of the work. Although he has not finished checking Pederson stated that it was clearly evident that a big mistake had been made and that he would hardly be able to accept the contract under the terms of his original bid.

The bid submitted by Pederson was approximately \$27,000 lower than the offer of any other contractor.

A piano is less affected by dampness if set against an inner wall of a room than if against an outer wall.

Advertisement for Sanatogen featuring a cartoon of a soldier in a trench, text about war news, and product information. Includes the slogan 'An Incident in the Trenches' and 'from the London Evening Standard November 12, 1915.' The ad describes Sanatogen as a food-tonic for bodies and nerves, sold by good druggists everywhere for \$1.00 per tin. It also mentions a Grand Prize from the International Congress of Medicine in London, 1915.

Advertisement for 'Maid o'Clover BUTTER' from Mutual Creamery Co. The ad promotes the butter as 'Good butter, made from pure, PASTEURIZED cream, is among the most wholesome foods one can eat.' It lists three styles of butter: four-septimantary, sunlit creamery, and quarter-pound prints. The company is located at East Tenth and Burnside Streets in Portland, Oregon.

Large advertisement for the 1916 Indian motorcycle. It features a detailed illustration of the motorcycle and a rider. The text promotes it as 'the official opening day of the 1916 INDIAN riding season' and 'the most enthusiastic tribe of Indian admirers—new and old—this year that ever gathered at our wigwam.' It highlights the 'Powerplus Motor' and claims it is 'Setting a new standard of motorcycle efficiency ideals—Doing 70 miles an hour right out of the crate!—Oiltight, clean, quiet! You've just got to see it to be posted on real motorcycle progress.' The ad also mentions a 'new big red boys, but the biggest thing ever introduced to the motorcycling world—the 1916 INDIAN' and provides contact information for Ballou & Wright at Broadway and Oak St., and also H. L. Lystul at 486 Union Ave. N. and J. H. Hook & Miller at 273 Third Street.