

ever any one of the dozen and one authorized utilities chooses to juggle with it? Or would it be still better for the utilities and the various city departments to coordinate their pavement-cutting enterprises?

BANDITRY BY DAYLIGHT

THE detectives, we are told, have a theory that the Liberty theatre bandits made a careful study of the place before yesterday's bold daylight robbery.

Of course they did. Bandits who rob such places all make a careful study of the place before making the raid. When there is a clean "get-away," as in the Liberty robbery, there is painstaking preparation.

The click of the safe lock the morning of the robbery was not the first time the bandits had heard it. The part to be played by each of the three was thoroughly worked out in advance.

This former bandit wrote that the police now have a harder time in running down yegmen than formerly. The former headquarters of crackmen and all manner of criminals were the saloon.

People who rent rooms to persons without visible means of support and who are out at night and asleep much of the day, could do an honest citizen's duty by knowing something about their tenants and, if there is any reason for suspicion, report the facts to the police.

The announcement by Secretary of State Kozler that a branch office of the automobile license department may be established in Portland will be greeted with approval by local automobile owners.

RELIEF AND RELIEF

PRESIDENT HARDING, in a letter to the head of a committee for relief in Germany and Austria, heartily commends the mission of the workers. He says:

Let me heartily commend the efforts of those of our citizens who bravely gave of their best to win the war and who, now that the war is long over, peace is established and the restoration of good will is sought, give of their time, their services and their money to bring relief to women and children who are suffering in Austria and Germany.

The relief of the stricken countries is highly essential. It is a great and humanitarian work. But, at best, it is but temporary relief.

There will be suffering in Austria and Germany and in other countries of Europe as long as the financial and industrial fabrics are tattered. There will be suffering until Europe is economically sound, until producers can sell their products, until workers are all at work, until the mills are turning out finished products, and until there is buying power abroad.

Coming to town to buy a set of harness, an Oregon farmer brought along a beef hide to sell. The price of the harness was \$85. When told what the dealer would pay for the hide, the farmer scratched his head and did a little mathematics.

IF A NUISANCE

M. M. RINGLER has been repeatedly arrested of late for violations of law in connection with the operation of a dance boat.

the one hand and the denials on the other are becoming a nuisance. Bungalows built on top of New York skyscrapers, with a view of New York harbor, are the new fad of some of the rich.

"LEAVE TO PRINT"

Congressional Record's "Extension of Remarks" Feature Castigated Even More Vigorously Than the Recently Offending Gileman From Texas.

A cartoon in the Washington Star one day last week pictured Old Man Congratulating the editors of the Record for the sudden appearance behind his back of a villainous looking Jack-in-the-box labeled "Leave to Print."

There is an Oregon girl who has achieved. She has won a conspicuous place in the musical life of the United States. She is accepted and heralded in the big musical centers as one of America's greatest pianists.

Miss Winifred Byrd is not only a great artist but a young woman of delightful personality, whose family ties are of fine old Oregon stock.

And those who will see the petite figure at the piano at the Hellig Wednesday evening and hear the thrilling thing of life, will be proud to acknowledge and acclaim Miss Byrd as "Oregon's own."

There is a sad lack of balance between the price paid the farmer for his products and the price he pays for farm necessities. Until the balance is reached there will be no permanent establishment of national prosperity.

AN EMPLOYE AND HIS CHIEF

That the packers are in competition with each other and that the federal trade commission was "biased and unfair," is the statement on this page of L. D. H. Weld, a representative of Swift & Co.

The report of the federal trade commission showed that America was partitioned by the packers into a division of territory. Specific instances were set out showing where some of these zones were located.

That there was a tacit agreement among the Big Five to maintain percentages in the division of business and that the branch houses worked together was admitted by Ogden Armour in testimony before a senate committee January 26, 1918.

"Do you always try to maintain your relative positions in taking over plants?" Armour was asked. He replied, "Yes."

When asked if he had consulted New York bankers in 1902 for the purpose of forming a huge corporation to include all the important packing plants in the United States, Mr. Armour replied in these words: "Yes, I assume that the figures are right; it is correct in principle."

Letters From the People. [Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length, and must be signed on the bottom by the author in full name and accompanied by the contribution.]

SMALL CHANGE

The offensive, especially in an argument, is not always offensive. After reading his record we're sure Bill Sergeant Woodfill would fill the bill.

A STATEMENT BY SWIFT & CO.

Referring to a Journal Article on Trust Control of Food Products. Chicago, Nov. 4.—To the Editor of The Journal—The Oregon Journal of October 15 contains an editorial under the heading "An Economic Crime."

The house showed "more leniency than logic," the Milwaukee Sentinel (Rep.) thinks, by administering "a public rebuke" which in view of the serious nature of the offense, looks like a good natural compromise.

Per L. D. H. Weld, a fellow-townsmen of Weston, is registered at the Multnomah.

WHAT RUSKIN SAID

In Describing the State of Mind of the Darnked Materialist. Washington, D. C., Nov. 1.—To the Editor, Journal—As I approach the peace conference it seems we might profitably consider Ruskin's essay on "peace," which undoubtedly contains the real basis of the modern peace movement.

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Comments and News in Brief. Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Busy Reader.

OREGON. The faculty of Pacific university has subscribed to the endowment fund of the institution.

Clackamas county's assessed valuations are now \$24,505,164, a jump of \$181,800 over the previous year.

The budget for the coming fiscal year in Baker county is approximately \$50,000 above that of the previous year.

Alumna records of the University of Oregon show a list of 3000 graduates since the first commencement in 1878.

This year's census shows 1125 children of school age in Hood River and vicinity, an increase of 10 per cent over last year.

Robbers entered the warehouse of Mackay in Eugene, Ore., at 7 o'clock, and stole sugar and cigarettes valued at between \$500 and \$700.

The new concrete pavement on the highway between Joseph and Oregon will be opened for travel this week, thus eliminating a 12-mile detour.

There is this much to be said for the foreign reds who are trying by throwing bombs to intimidate an American expert into rescinding a verdict of guilty: they are laying a foundation for an insanity plea.—Eugene Register.

A touring car and trailer stopped yesterday; looked around, told us the family consisted of five and they would locate in Astoria and wanted to rent a fire truck. We had a couple of boys went to Woodburn.—Aurora Observer.

Deschutes county potatoes made a fine showing at the national potato show at Portland, Oct. 28. The county from the 1921 crop receiving a special award of 1000 dollars.

Related frosts have prevailed over Hood River valley the last several days, and garden crops from the 1921 crop are full up to the present time, has been killed.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL. Random Observations About Town.

Among the Eastern Oregon guests at the Imperial are: H. A. Goding of La Grande, F. E. Graham of Elgin, A. King and L. J. Dean of Hermiston, A. J. Gilchrist of Joseph and L. McKennon of La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mossier and Louis Mossier of Ukiah are Portland visitors. Mr. Mossier is one of the pioneer stockmen of Camas valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis are down from Union, the one-time county seat of Union county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tucker, hailing from the county seat of Crook county, are Portland visitors.

Ed Marshall, Umatilla county rancher, is down from Pendleton and is at the Benson.

C. W. Ashpole and W. J. Perna of Medford are registered at the Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tucker of La Grande are guests of the Oregon.

Big Bill Bollons of La Grande is holding forth at the Oregon.

A. Jay Farmer, from Baker county, is down to see the show.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wallace of Pendleton are guests of the Oregon.

S. K. Hartstock of Corvallis is at the Oregon.

WASHINGTON. The carnival held at Tappan last week by the American Legion took in \$132. The expenses were only \$250.

Cyrus F. Morrill has been recommended by the American Legion for appointment as postmaster at Washington, D. C.

George Landero, 38, and Thomas DeLoe, 23, are in a Seattle hospital seriously injured as the result of a shooting affray in a cafe.

Reports to the department of labor and statistics show that industries of the state of Washington are operating at 80 per cent normal.

Because of illness, Professor C. A. Isaac has been excused from his Washington State technical class Tuesday for the first time in 25 years.

The residence of Earl Ekins at Big Bend, near Weir, was burned Tuesday night, barely escaping in their night clothes.

Patients may enter the new United States Hospital at Walla Walla some time in January, according to an announcement of the supervising architect.

Control of the Sunnyside bank of Sunnyside has been purchased by the United Securities company of Spokane. It has a capital of \$50,000 and deposits of more than \$400,000.

R. H. Howard, arrested at Walla Walla on suspicion of having been a part of a board bill left his wife in jail as a security while he hustled the money to pay the bill of \$1000.

Forty-eight miles from Walla Walla, Allen Reynolds and William Kirkman, owners of the 6500-acre ranch on Eureka Flat, in Walla Walla county, were contacted with A. A. Durand to sink a 1000-foot well.

About 75 members of Yakima Pomona grange will attend the national convention at Portland, November 18, and will urge the expulsion of William Souck, former master of the state grange.

Interest payment checks to federal landowners bondholders for more than \$1,000,000 were sent out November 1 from the Spokane bank. There were 283 loans closed during October, amounting to \$1,182,100.

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What I Like Best In The Journal. A. W. CHANDLER, 1490 East Flanders street—All I have taken the Journal for 15 years.

P. R. MAHAN, 47 East Fifth—seventh street north—The front page. I am always interested in "Jiggs."

MRS. C. E. MILLER, 1561 East Flanders street—The comic features.

MRS. ALBERT BELG-DAHL, 1566 East Everett street—Fred Lockley's articles, general news and comics.

MRS. LEWIS DEAN, 1561 East Everett street—Its fairness.

MRS. A. B. MEWEN, 28 East Sixth street—The front page. My daughter likes the comic best.

MRS. M. WEYGANT, 1593 East Gilson street—The general news of the smaller Oregon towns.

G. E. JEFFERY, 94 East 26th—Sixty-third street north—The front page and the music column. My wife likes best the editorial page.

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