

TIL TAYLOR'S  
SLAYER MAY  
BE LYNCHED

Excited Crowds Congregate  
Around Jail in Which Hart  
and Owens Were Lodged—  
Numbered About 300

THREATS MADE BUT  
MOB LACKS LEADER

Sheriff Taylor and Strongly  
Armed Posse Are Guard-  
ing Jail

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 1.—Shortly after midnight the mob surrounding the county jail here had increased to several hundred and three ropes were brought to the scene. The mob was growing more menacing. Threats of lynching were heard. All women who had been scattered through the crowd earlier in the evening had left the scene.

PENDLETON, Ore., July 31.—Hart and Owens, alleged slayers of Sheriff Til Taylor, were brought here tonight and lodged in jail. A mob began forming near the jail soon after the prisoners were brought in. Officers said they did not fear a serious demonstration but extra precautions were taken to resist a possible rush on the jail.

Excited crowds had begun gathering near the jail early in the evening, and by 9 o'clock more than 300 were there. Threats of lynching were made but no one had offered to lead a mob.

Sheriff W. R. Taylor, brother of the official who was slain, posted himself at the jail early with a strongly armed posse, declaring his resolve to defend the prisoners. Other officials and conservative citizens sought the crowd to let the law take its course, pointing out that as capital punishment is now again in effect in Oregon, sufficient justice certainly awaited the slayers. The speeches seemed to make little impression on the crowd. The fact that Hart was said by officers to have made a full confession that it was he who killed the sheriff centered the greatest wrath upon him, but threats were made also against Owens and Rathie. As the night wore on, however, and no move was made by the crowd, officers expressed the hope that violence would not be attempted.

Portland Majamas  
Climb Mount Baker

PORTLAND, Or., July 31.—With the summit of Mount Baker in Northern Washington near the Canadian border, their ultimate destination, sixty-seven members of the Mazamas club, a mountain climbing organization left Portland tonight. Camp will be made on the north slope of the mountain.

The party will arrive in Seattle tomorrow from which point they will go by steamer to Bellingham and thence to the camp by automobile. This is the 27th annual club outing and will be for 15 days.

SOLDIERS FIGHT SINN FEIN

TIPPERARY, Ireland, July 31.—Exciting scenes were enacted here last night as a result of the killing of two soldiers in the fight following the escape of Brigadier General Lucas from a Sinn Fein prison. Twenty soldiers went through the streets challenging Sinn Feiners. They entered a theater and called on soldiers there to come out and avenge their comrades. An officer appeared with a patrol and ordered them away. Soldiers continued parading however and challenging Sinn Feiners. Many windows were smashed.

ERECTOR OF DEATH CHAMBER  
PLANNED BY PRISON WARDEN

Because of the restoration of capital punishment in Oregon, coupled with the recent murders which have stirred the people of the entire state, plans will be made at an early date for the erection of a modern execution chamber at the state penitentiary.

Although not discussing the subject at any length, Warden Compton let it be known yesterday that he would not be surprised if a couple of hangings would be staged at the prison in the near future, and consequently he is making ready for the emergency.

Whether the new death chamber will be of a temporary nature, or will be erected with a view of permanency, was not stated by the

BROWN BELIEVES MURDER LAW  
WILL BE UPHELD BY COURTS

In reply to a suggestion made here yesterday that the murderers of Til Taylor, sheriff of Umatilla county, probably would engage counsel and launch a legal battle to test the constitutionality of the statutes restoring capital punishment in Oregon, Attorney General Brown said that although the law was prepared in Portland he examined it thoroughly prior to its enactment by the legislature and he believed it constitutional in every particular.

Under the law providing for the disposition of first degree murder cases it is incumbent upon the state to present the evidence to the court even though the defendant may have entered a plea of guilty. This, according to Mr. Brown, is necessary in order that the degree of murder may be determined before the imposing of sentence.

"There can be no question regard-

ing the constitutionality of this law," declared Mr. Brown today. "For the reason that it is based on the statutes in effect before capital punishment was abolished several years ago. Practically the only new provision in the law is that the extent of punishment—hanging or life imprisonment, is in the discretion of the jury."

The attorney general said that the laws governing persons charged with murder in Oregon had been tried out time and time again, and there was little, if any possibility of the supreme court declaring the recent act restoring capital punishment unconstitutional.

Attorney General Brown was highly pleased when informed that Til Taylor's slayers had been captured, and intimated that no time should be lost by the prosecuting officials in bringing them to justice.

GILBERT NEW  
COMMANDER

Oregon Legionaire Elect Former  
Chaplain of Third  
Oregon

ASTORIA, Ore., July 31.—Major William S. Gilbert, former chaplain of the Third Oregon, was unanimously elected commander of the Oregon department of the American Legion late today. He was nominated by Captain Lane Goodell of Portland, who had been leading a contestant for the position until he withdrew this morning in the interest of harmony. Goodell was then unanimously elected vice-commander. Captain E. J. Elvers was chosen state adjutant without a dissenting vote.

TRAFFIC RULES  
TO BE ENFORCED

Two Alleged Careless Drivers  
Pay Fines Following Ar-  
rest on City Streets

The Salem police have begun their campaign to curb all careless automobile driving, and disregard by motorists of the city ordinance governing the intersection of streets. Many have complained of autoists cutting corners when making the turn at intersections.

Yesterday Z. T. Zelinski was arrested by Officer Verden Moffitt for cutting a corner with his automobile which he was driving.

C. W. Hardesty of Portland, was arrested by Officer W. J. White yesterday for a similar offense when he cut the corner while making the turn at the intersection of State and Commercial streets. He deposited \$5 at the police station to insure his appearance in court.

WHITE HOUSE  
SHEEP FOR SALE

Flock Is Relic of Conserva-  
tion Days—Wool Sold for  
Charity

WASHINGTON, July 31.—President Wilson is to retire from the sheep business. The White House flock of 48 prize sheep, which has kept the lawn cut for three summers, is to be sold.

The yield of wool has gone to charity, this year to the Salvation Army. In 1918 the flock produced 98 pounds, which was sold by the Red Cross, bringing more than \$52,000.

The original flock of 18 head was obtained from William Woodward of New York, who has a farm near Bowie, Md., where it was said to have been owned by George Washington once obtained a herd of deer for the grounds at Mt. Vernon.

warden, who said he "did not believe in building bridges until he reached them." However, it is almost certain that the new execution chamber will be erected some distance from the main prison building in order that the great number of prisoners incarcerated there will not be disturbed at the time of hangings.

Under the Oregon laws the warden of the penitentiary is personally responsible for carrying out the mandates of the courts, and the duty of springing the trap will fall upon Mr. Compton.

The hanging chamber used prior to the abolishment of capital punishment in Oregon a few years ago is now utilized as a kitchen, and will not be disturbed because of the restoration of the death penalty.

BIG REVENUE  
INCREASE IS  
GIVEN RAILS

Interstate Commerce Commission  
Allows Billion and  
Half Dollar Revenue In-  
crease to Railroads

NEW RATES PROBABLY  
IN EFFECT SEPTEMBER

Freight Rates to Advance 1-3,  
Passenger Fares 1-5 and  
Pullman by 1/2

GAS FAMINE  
MAY BE OVER

Tank Steamer Arrives in  
Portland With 225,000  
Gallons

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—Further relief to the gasoline famine here was afforded today when the tank steamer W. F. Herrin arrived with a 225,000 gallon cargo. Oil dealers generally said today that prospects for continued improvement in the situation were good.

POLICE BUSY  
LAST NIGHT

Two Men Engage in Fist Fight  
Last Night on Center and  
Nineteenth

Many reports kept the police busy last night. Several arrests were made, while the other reports were investigated by the officers and disposition made of them, without resulting in any arrests. Several men were locked up in the jail as suspicious characters.

Officer Verden Moffitt arrested two automobile drivers for exceeding the speed limit of the city. They are G. Ackley, arrested for speeding on State street between Nineteenth and Twenty-first streets. He deposited \$5 to insure his appearance in police court at 10 o'clock Monday morning.

O. W. Everett was arrested by Officer Moffitt on a similar offense for driving his car 30 miles an hour between Nineteenth and Twenty-first streets, on State street. Five dollars was deposited by Mr. Everett at the police station for his appearance in court tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

About 9 o'clock last night Mrs. Henry Bersuma of 1687 Center street reported to the police station that two men were fighting on the corner of Nineteenth and Center streets. Officer White investigated and found the men engaged in a fist fight. The men were advised to cease fighting within the city limits of Salem. Upon investigation the police ascertained the motive for the fight. According to eye-witnesses, the fight started over the sister of one of the men, who are from Polk county. Officer White advised the men to do their fighting in Polk county. The names were given as Mike Branch and a Mr. Trueblood.

A report was received at the police station about 11 o'clock last night from H. A. Penny stating that his car was stolen from the corner of Commercial and Chemeketa streets. He described the stolen car as being an old Ford, 1916 model, and bears license No. 3998. He said to the police that the Ford was not considered especially valuable, but stated that he had some meat and other groceries in the car which he needed.

Increases in passenger, Pullman and excess baggage rates were those asked by the roads. Freight increases requested were 27.75 for eastern roads, 22.63 for western roads and 38.91 for southern roads. The total estimated to yield \$1,356,000,000. The eastern roads were granted 25 of one per cent more than the southern roads. The western roads approximately what they sought but the southern roads received approximately 14 per cent less than they had requested.

The commission said that the financial condition of the southern roads was more desirable than any of the other lines. In view of this condition, the commission held that they were better able to meet the demands on them than some of the other companies.

Provides for Improvements  
The increases authorized, said the commission, are intended to yield the additional one-half of one per cent of the aggregate value of the roads to make provisions for improvements, betterments and equipment, chargeable to capital account. The record leaves no doubt as to the needs of the country for additional transportation facilities. Carriers will be expected to make appropriations for additional improvements, betterments of equipment of a character chargeable to capital account and to make reports to us semi-annually showing what portion of increased revenues has been devoted to that purpose.

This one-half of one per cent will approximate \$94,000,000. The commission said that the carriers had stated that they needed immediately the least 100,000,000 for 2,000 locomotives and 3,000 passenger coaches. These are to be paid for out of this fund and out of money

DUBLIN, July 31.—If Premier Lloyd George's threat to dismiss every man on the Irish railways unless they carry arms, ammunition, soldiers, police, or anything that the government asked them to carry, is enforced, there will be no railway operating in Ireland next week, according to predictions here.

A still worse calamity, from the Irish point of view, is that the Dublin horse show, an annual event in which every Irishman is deeply interested, will either have to be canceled or become a mere parody of the usual exhibition. It has been learned that Viscount French, lord lieutenant of Ireland, will not at-

SALEM CONCERN LOSES APPEAL;  
LAND BOARD'S ACTION UPHELD

The Oregon supreme court, in an opinion written by Justice Burnett and handed down here yesterday dismissed the mandamus proceedings brought by George H. Kelley and C. V. Everett, trading under the title of the Berkshire company, to compel H. E. Plummer, building inspector of the city of Portland to issue a permit for the construction of an apartment house in what is known as a restricted residential district.

Evidence placed before the supreme court showed that the plaintiffs applied for a permit to construct the apartment house involved in the litigation on January 22, 1920, at the same time setting out the proposed site of the structure and that it would cost in the neighborhood of \$225,000.

The application was denied by Mr. Plummer, whereupon the plaintiffs appealed to the city council for relief. The city council upheld Mr. Plummer's decision and refused to issue the permit. Mandamus proceedings to compel Mr. Plummer to issue the permit then were filed in the supreme court.

Justice Burnett held that the city was within its rights to provide building restrictions and that the present building code of the municipality was subject to strict enforcement.

Justice Johns in an opinion dismissing the mandamus action

brought by the Salem Sand & Gravel company to compel the members of the State Land Board to accept a bid of three cents a cubic yard for sand and gravel taken from navigable streams of the state, held that it was the intention of the legislature that the state should receive a reasonable price for products under its control.

"If the defendants could be made to accept three cents a cubic yard for sand and gravel taken from navigable streams of the state," said Justice Johns in his opinion, "they could be made to accept a price even as low as one cent a cubic yard and enforce leases extending over periods of 25 or 50 years."

The state land board, at a meeting held last winter soon after the sand and gravel law went into effect, made an arbitrary rule that they would accept no bids less than 10 cents a cubic yard. The plaintiffs objected to the fixing of this price on the grounds that it forestalled fair competition.

The law under which these leases are executed was passed at the special election of the legislature last January. It provides that the state shall receive compensation for all sand and gravel taken from navigable streams of the state, and that the money derived from the sales shall go into the school funds.

The court recessed until September 1.

VICK BROTHERS  
AGAIN ARE UNIT

New Building at High and  
Trade Streets Will be Ready  
to Occupy September 1

Vick Bros. are all together again. Ben W. Vick has sold his third interest in the Valley Motor company to the other members of the company. This deal involved about a \$45,000 investment.

Ben W. Vick has become a part of the Vick Bros. organization and has already taken charge of their branch at Albany.

Vick Bros. are now entirely out of the Ford and Fordson business, and they are giving their exclusive time to the Samson line.

The new building of Vick Bros. at High and Trade streets, Salem, will be ready for occupancy about September 15. This will be in some respects the best building in Salem. It will have two stories and basement, and it will be entirely of reinforced concrete, even to the roof and the stairways. There will be no wood in it at all. The railroad switch will run into the building, making the loading and unloading of freight very convenient. The new building will be 83 by 150.

It will have a modern electric elevator. This building, when completed and equipped, will represent an investment of about \$85,000, and it will be fully worth the money, for the uses that Vick Bros. will make of it.

LIQUOR VENDER  
POLICE TARGET

Man Drinks, Falls From Grace  
and Blames Good Samaritan for Troubles

Whether it is "revenge is sweet," or "to remedy an evil commence at the source," is the philosophy of Oliver F. St. Claire is the moot question, according to a report of the police blotter stating that Mr. St. Claire had the source of his drunkenness had been instigated by a man from Portland.

In making the report Mr. St. Claire did not specify whether he had "moonshine," the real bonded stuff, or just plain "Elks milk." Nevertheless, he stated to the police that the source of his whisky came from a Portland man, and that the man had returned to the Rose City. It was his desire that the man be arrested, according to his report.

Polish and Bolshevik  
Delegates in Contract

WARSAW, July 31.—The Polish military delegates who left Warsaw at 9 o'clock yesterday crossed the front line at 8 o'clock tonight. Premier Witos was informed at 9 o'clock that the delegation had established contact with the bolshevik delegates on the road between Brest-Litovsk and Baranovichy.

Vancouver Racetrack  
Used After Six Years

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 31.—Racing was resumed on the Brig-house park track here today after a break of six years due to war conditions. Seven running races were on today's card.

THE WEATHER.

Sunday fair; continued warm, east portion; moderate northwesterly winds.

SLAYERS OF  
TAYLOR ARE  
ALL CAUGHT

Richard Patterson and Lewis  
Anderson, Last Two of  
Men Who Escaped, Caught  
Last Night Near Pendleton

HART ADMITS KILLING  
SHERIFF TIL TAYLOR

No One Working in Round-Up  
City—Sentiment High—  
May Lynch Slayer

PENDLETON, July 31.—Richard Patterson and Lewis Anderson, the last two of the men who escaped last Sunday when Taylor was killed, were captured tonight and taken to jail.

Jack Rathie, alleged ring-leader in the jail break here last Sunday, was brought to Pendleton from Gibbon today. He was apprehended by a posse this morning. According to his possession, Rathie declared he had been alone since last Monday and that on last Tuesday he threw his revolver away. He was not armed at the time of capture.

Rathie declared he was with the other fugitives left at Pendleton on a freight train immediately following the jail break. He, like Owen and Hart, left the train at Mission and hid all day in a wheat field.

On one occasion, according to Rathie, a posse with bloodhounds passed within a few feet of him while he was hiding in the woods. He was lodged in the jail from which he made his escape.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 31.—Neil Hart, alleged slayer of Sheriff Til Taylor, of Umatilla county, and his pal, Jim Owen, are safe in the county jail here having been brought in early this morning by a posse of six men, headed by J. H. McLachlan of this city. They were found asleep in a sheepherders' camp on the Tollgate road in the Wenaha forest, and when they awoke they were in irons.

Sheriff Lee Warnick of Uprion county has been trailing the two half-breds all day yesterday and word was sent here late yesterday afternoon, to send out a posse to head them off. McLachlan and three men went out from here and picked up several recruits. The two desperados were seen traveling along the divide trail toward the Tollgate road.

McLachlan and three men started from here and picked up several others while going north. Hart and Owen were seen in the bright moonlight to turn off the trail and head for the valley. They were followed to the city in automobiles early this morning. Sheriff Warnick stated today that a clipping from a Pendleton newspaper was found pinned to a pocket in Hart's clothing.

"He admitted everything," said Warnick.

Hart admitted to myself and Special Deputy King of Pendleton," said Deputy Sheriff Dexter McElroy of Union county, "that he fired the shot which killed Sheriff Taylor. He made this statement shortly after he was placed in a cell here."

Crowds began gathering around the jail here as soon as it became known that the slayers of Til Taylor had been apprehended, but Deputy McElroy dispersed them as speedily as possible.

Addressing the crowd he said: "Sheriff Jenks Taylor, brother of Til Taylor is coming to LaGrande about noon, and this entire matter will be turned over to him. We want no

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CARS RUSHED TO  
LOCAL DIVISION

Senator McNary Gets Quick  
Action and Immediate Re-  
lief Promised

Six hundred and thirteen loaded cars and 350 empty carriers have been delivered to the Portland division by the Southern Pacific company since Senator C. L. McNary a few days ago sent a telegram to Mr. Aitchison, of the interstate commerce commission asking for relief, according to a telegram received at the senator's offices here today.

The telegram also advised that the corporation is crowding the delivery of empty cars and beginning yesterday a minimum of 100 carriers will be routed northward through Ashland per day.

Senator McNary was asked to keep the interstate commerce commission informed regarding car shortage conditions in order that the best results may be attained.

Senator McNary believes the delivery of 100 cars daily to the Portland division will greatly relieve present unfavorable conditions and insure the operation of mills to full capacity.

CLUB PLANNING  
AERIAL DERBY

Around-the-World Flight Is  
Mapped Out by Aero of  
America

NEW YORK, July 31.—A route has been mapped out for the first aerial derby around the world by a special joint commission of the Aero Club of America and the Aerial League of America, which recently returned from a tour of the world.

A test flight preceding the derby will start in London, moving east to Tokio and thence to Seattle and New York it was announced tonight. This flight will be made in an airplane with a capacity for 10 passengers, to ascertain flying conditions of the proposed route, it was said.

The tentative route of the derby follows:  
New York to Seattle to Yokohama to Shanghai to Bangkok, Siam; to Karachi, India; to Calcutta and Delhi to Baghdad to Rome to the Irish coast, to London, Newfoundland and New York.

The distance is 22,207 miles.

No dates for either the test flight or the derby were announced.

ELKS LODGE HELD BLAMELESS  
FOR ANTICS OF INDIVIDUALS

That Salem lodge No. 326, Elks, has no apology to make for any act or deed committed by or authorized to be done by the lodge, its members or the state association, during the recent convention of the order held in this city, was set out in a resolution prepared by a special committee of the local lodge of Elks following a special meeting of the organization held here Thursday night.

"We deplore the fact that certain rough and unscrupulous persons took advantage of the occasion to carry out their unlawful schemes to the detriment of the peace and dignity of our fair city," continued the resolution. "We cheerfully submit the personnel of Salem lodge No. 326 for comparison with any other organization of like character as to its Amer-

ican citizenship, patriotism and law abiding qualities." The resolution further set out that criticism had been made of certain acts during the convention, but that these acts, if committed, were not sanctioned by the lodge. Also that at no time during the convention was there within the jurisdiction of the lodge rooms of the Salem lodge, club or any place under the management of the state convention or Salem lodge any unpatriotic, unlawful or improper act performed to the knowledge of the lodge.

The resolution as adopted follows: "WHEREAS, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the State of Oregon, did on July 22, 23 and

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