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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1902.

GENERAL NEWS

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the missionary, who was captured by brigands and released, recently has contracted to lecture for the Chautauqua societies of the country during the larger part of the coming summer.

The engine attached to a Southern Pacific special freight train exploded between Waldorf and Cas Mallia, about eight miles west of Santa Maria, Calif., Brakeman Henshaw and Fireman E. R. Dugan were killed.

The board of control of the endowment fund, Knights of Pythias, issued a statement showing that on July 1, 1901, the unpaid accounts amounted to \$59,500, and that at the end of December they have been reduced to \$248,500.

The United States transport Meade, which sailed from San Francisco for Manila on Saturday night, returned late Sunday night, flying the yellow flag, and anchored at the quarantine station. The Meade's return was due to the discovery of a case of smallpox and on account of a case of scarlet fever among the recruits aboard.

The bill in equity against the Northern Securities Company, J. Pierpont Morgan, J. J. Hill and others, to prevent the merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern and other northwestern railroads is nearing completion at Washington and it is the present intention to "have it ready" the latter part of the present week. The bill will be printed in Washington and made public as soon as it has been filed.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS

While delivering mail at the residence of Eugene H. Boyer, at Walla Walla, Monday, M. A. Stafford, a local carrier was bitten in the right forearm by a vicious dog.

The monthly report of the insane asylum at Salem for February, shows a total enrollment of 1227, supply account, \$6702.18; salaries, \$5421.44; per capita per month, \$9.89.

Crook county proposes to offer a reward for the detection of scab in bands of sheep. This will have a tendency to keep out bands of migratory sheep that infest ranges and scatter disease broadcast.

A steer butchered by an Everett, Wash., market had a tooth covered with gold. The animal came from a Snohomish county ranch. Butchers say they will prospect the streams where the animal drank.

Vincent Bacigalupi, familiarly known as "Tug Wilson," a well known young man of Vancouver, died at St. Joseph's hospital here last night, from heart disease. Deceased was 38 years old and unmarried and was born at Cincinnati, O.

Mrs. Sarah J. Cody died at her home in Portland Sunday night. Mrs. Cody was born in New Orleans in 1833, and was therefore 69 years old at the time of her death. She came to the Pacific coast in 1852, and has since resided in Oregon and Washington.

The Portland police commissioners dismissed Policeman Edward T. Caffee from the service for his alleged connection with the clubbing of Henry C. Albers, at the fire on Front street, February 23. Jailer James H. Roberts, against whom no evidence has been given that he clubbed anybody, has been suspended from duty for three months.

Charles DeFrance, well known in Walla Walla, died in Portland Saturday of dropsy after a painful and lingering illness extending over a period of several months. He was 46 years of age. For several years he was secretary of the state democratic state central committee and had been identified with politics ever since his residence in the state. He leaves a widow and a daughter, and his home was at Spokane.

GREAT SALT LAKE SINKING.

This Great Body of Water is Surely Disappearing.

The decline in the surface of the Great Salt Lake is causing apprehension among the people of Utah. This interesting body of water has been steadily sinking for a number of years, but the causes of its decline are not well understood. It is thought by some that the lake is subject to cycles of years and heavy and light rainfall and that it is now undergoing one of its low water periods from which it will soon revive. The movements in the water have also been thought to be related to the development of agricultural and grazing interests, which divert large quantities of waters from the streams which feed the lake for use upon the land. During the past years the cutting of the timber from the neighboring mountains has been unusually heavy, practically destroying the forest protection of the head waters of a number of streams whose waters flow into the lake. The cutting of these forests is supposed to have injured the flow of the streams and thus have affected the lake level. Great Salt Lake is the means of considerable resource to Utah and the value of property near the lake and certain lines of business are said to be unfavorably affected by the decline. The matter is there considered of so much importance that the United States Geological Survey has been asked to make an investigation into it.

Would Smash the Club.

If members of the "Hay Fever Association" would use Dr. King's New discovery for Consumption, the club would go to pieces, for it always cures this malady—and asthma, the kind that baffles the doctors—it wholly drives from the system. Thousands of once hopeless sufferers from consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis owe their lives and health to it. It conquers grip, saves little ones from croup and whooping cough and is positively guaranteed for all throat and lung troubles. 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Tallman & Co.'s.

WESTON NOTES.

Miss Katherine La Barre Has Resigned Her Position in the Normal School.

Weston, March 5.—I. E. Saling is making some improvements in his building, at the corner of Main and Franklin streets, to accommodate his new tenants, Taylor & Jarman, who will move from their present quarters to the Saling building about the 17th inst. A brick partition has been taken out, making one large store-room out of the building. A new front will also be put in. The repairs will cost about \$1000.

This morning a large plate glass window in the Saling-Young building, occupied by John Cummings' grocery store, was blown out by a high south wind.

Miss Katherine LeBarre, of Portland, who has been in charge of the voice culture and physical culture departments of the normal school during the year, has resigned. It has not been decided as yet whom her successor will be.

The farmers on Wild Horse and Weston mountains are complaining of too much wet weather, but the crop outlook, both in the mountains and in this vicinity, is good.

Dr. J. A. Best was called to Pendleton, yesterday on professional business. He returned last night.

The voice of the politician is heard in the land again, and that profound subject is being discussed all over town these days. Friday, the day of the republican primaries, promises to be a lively day here, as a consequence of these street corner debates.

Lockjaw From Cobwebs.

Cobwebs put on a cut lately gave a woman lockjaw. Millions know that the best thing to put on a cut is Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the infallible healer of wounds, ulcers, sores, skin eruptions, burns, scalds and piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at Tallman & Co.'s.

CAPTAIN M'COOK

THE WILY ARMY OFFICER
WHO FLEECED OUR CITIZENS.

Captured in Portland and Sheriff Blakley Has Him Now in Charge, en Route to Pendleton.

"Captain" J. J. McCook is now in the custody of Sheriff Blakley, and speeding toward Pendleton on the east-bound train from Portland.

Many people in Pendleton have reason to remember Captain McCook, who came here last summer and represented himself as being an army officer looking for horses for the government. He was a very smooth fellow and had not been here but a few days until he had worked himself into the good graces of many of the prominent men about town, who were induced to cash bogus checks for him to the amount of about \$635, and before the fraud was found out the "captain" suddenly disappeared and, although every effort was put forth to locate him, proved of no avail until he turned up in Portland a few days ago.

McCook had not only bilked the people in Pendleton, but had worked his graft in Portland and other places. Apparently thinking that the effects of his smooth work had been forgotten and that he would not be recognized, he went back to Portland and put up at the same hotel where he stopped when in that city last summer. He registered this time as J. Sherwood, but his face had not been forgotten by one of the hotel clerks, who informed the officers and they immediately communicated with the sheriff's office here. Word was sent back to the chief of police of Portland to immediately arrest J. Sherwood, alias Captain McCook, but the wily "captain" had disappeared and could not be found. Detective Weiner was put on his trail and Monday he suddenly came face to face with McCook, who was taking a trolley car ride to Highland park. McCook was arrested and placed in jail and Sheriff Blakley notified. Mr. Blakley left Monday night for his man, but the matter was kept quiet until late Tuesday evening, when he wired back that the Portland authorities had the right man and he would arrive with him this evening.

Is Sherwood McCook.

When Detective Weiner reached headquarters with his prisoner, McCook, alias Sherwood, the clerks at the Hotel Portland, says the Telegram, were requested to come and identify the man. The first clerk to arrive identified Sherwood as Colonel McCook, declaring he met the suspect at Salt Lake last summer.

"Don't you remember me?" persuasively asked the clerk. "We had a drink together. You said you were Colonel McCook and wanted me to cash a check for you."

Never was in Salt Lake in my life," replied Sherwood.

"And," resumed the clerk, smiling, "you gave me a letter to Captain Schley, son of the admiral, who was captain at Fort Douglass. You told me you were to have charge of the post."

"Nonsense."

"That's just what it was. I telephoned out to Fort Douglas and they said they had never heard of you."

Asked if he had ever been in Pendleton representing himself as an army officer buying horses for the government, McCook said that he had never been there. You gentlemen are springing a lot of new towns on me," he said.

The stranger has acknowledged that he was at the West Point military academy for two years but did not graduate.

The suspect takes his detention in a calm manner and declares that the people who have identified him as Colonel or Captain McCook are laboring under a misapprehension. He laughs at the idea that he is the redoubtable officer who swindled so many people out of gold by worthless checks. He has with him papers which assist in corroborating his statements to some extent. Sherwood says that he passed through Portland last April and was at the Hotel Portland for a few hours, but did not stay there. He was then on the road to Tacoma. He declares that since last August he has been working as civil engineer on the inter-suburban electric line between Seattle and Tacoma. The chief of police telephoned to Tacoma last night and had that much of Sherwood's story confirmed by the manager of the road. Sherwood says he knows many prominent business men in Portland, declaring that they will identify him as Sherwood and not as McCook. He confesses, however, that most of his Portland acquaintances have known him but a short time and some but a few days.

In his story to the chief of police, the suspect states that he has followed civil engineering for years, and before going to Tacoma he was in California. He claimed to have in his possession, and later produced it, a letter from S. M. Tait, offering him a position on a proposed railroad in Mexico. In this letter Tait informed Sherwood that he (Tait) would be in this city at the Hotel Portland March 1, with Marshal Field, of Chicago.

Mr. Field was to go to Mexico with Tait and Sherwood, and the party was due to arrive in the south March 5. Mr. Field, who is a business man of national prominence, however, failed to arrive in Portland as was predicted in the letter. Neither did Mr. Tait materialize. The letter bears every trace of being genuine, so the police assert.

When Sheriff Blakley arrives in Pendleton on the east bound train this afternoon with McCook, alias Sherwood, in custody of a number of Pendletonians will have an opportunity of renewing their brief acquaintance with the individual if he proves to be "J. J. McCook, of the regular army," as he represented himself to be when in Pendleton several months ago. The Pendletonians in question have had time to "cut their eye teeth" with the result that they will see more clearly than they saw when they were making the alleged McCook's acquaintance and not one of them is expected to be so charitable to "an old friend" to go on his bond now that he is trouble. They will fall to be moved by the old couplet: "A friend in need."

The result will be that McCook will take up his quarters in jail, where he will live for some time at the taxpayers' expense.

An Important Decision.

In the case of Frank Richardson vs. the Southern Pacific railroad, the supreme court at Salem, rendered the following decision: Where a railroad company allows the public to ride on certain freight trains the company is a common carrier as to such persons, and an agreement by a purchaser of a mileage ticket at reduced rates, absolving the company from damage while riding on such freight train is void, as against public policy and the company is liable. In the lower court Richardson was given damages of \$925 for injuries received while riding on a freight train caused by stopping the train too suddenly.

Interested in Oregon.

The great interest that is taken in Oregon by residents of the eastern states is indicated by a dozen letters of inquiry received all in one day by Secretary of State Dunbar. Every mail brings a number of such letters from people in the east and middle west, inquiring regarding the resources and industries of the state. All such letters are answered as fully as circumstances will warrant, and Mr. Dunbar sends to the inquirers such descriptive matter as he has at hand. The number of requests for information is constantly increasing.

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