

THE MEN LOOT MERIDIAN BANK

Were Blown With Dynamite
and the Robbers
Escaped on Horses.

LAWSLESS OREGON ROBBERY IN MANY YEARS.

Fled Toward Portland,
Escapes Away, Having Secured
Twenty Thousand Dollars—A
Fugitive in Pursuit, But the Fugitive
Neither Traces Nor Does.

Oct. 26.—The Bank of
Pendleton was blown with dynamite
robbed of a large sum
at 3 o'clock a. m. The
robbers, three men, who
were unknown amount.
Got \$7,000.

Oct. 26.—A terrific
explosion awakened the town. The
explosion was into the streets
of the building wrecked.

The windows were blown open and
the furniture was blown away by
three robbers, who
escaped on horses,
toward Portland. They left
behind whatever as they fled.

In pursuit, and the principal
including very nebulous
of the robbers, saved
to McMinnville and
hopes of intercepting the

A town of 500 inhabitants
south of McMinnville,
about 60 miles, as the
southwest of Portland.

BLACKBURN DEAD.
The Mayor-General of Oregon
Passes Away.

Oct. 26.—J. R. N. Blackburn,
attorney-general of Oregon,
his home in this city,
died, after an illness
of a period of several
years in consumption.

Blackburn was elected
attorney-general in 1898,
and served one of
the longest terms ever occupying
the office.

He was one of the best
constitutional law in
the state and was an active
republican. He leaves a
wife and three children, James B.,
and Arch W., of Corvallis.

FOR DIVORCE.
A Paper Man Seeks a Legal
Separation.

Oct. 26.—John Gohn, editor
of the World, this morning
sought a divorce from
his wife, who is said to be a
Mrs. Tingley, of Point
Blaine, who filed a petition two
weeks ago for a divorce.
Her case was dismissed
last week. A year ago
Gohn had an order from a San
Francisco court for the custody
of the children.

FOR BRIBERY.
A Lumberman Is in the
Toils.

Oct. 26.—Henry
C. Bowers, a prominent
lumberman in a few weeks
this morning arrested
for offering a bribe of \$500
to a juror to secure a
verdict for the Bowers
Rubber Co. of San Francisco.
The jury and bail was fixed
and the case continued.

GAINING GROUND.
The Lumberman Has the Govern-
ment Discouraged.

GEORGIA FARMERS.

State Farmers' Congress in Session
at Macon.

Macon, Ga., Oct. 26.—The meeting
of the Georgia State Farmers' Congress
which began in Macon today is
the largest in point of attendance
ever held by the association. The
directors of the congress, acting on a
happy inspiration, devised the pro-
gram so as to appeal to those engaged
in every branch of the agricultural
industry, setting aside one day especially
for the cotton growers and ginners,
another for the stock breeders and
a third for the sugar cane growers.

Today was given over to the work
of formal organization. Shortly after
10 o'clock the congress was called to
order by George A. Smith, who re-
signed the gavel to Harvey N. Jordan,
president of the cotton growers' congress,
and who, more than any other
one person, has been responsible
for the organization of the Southern
farmers. Mr. Jordan welcomed the
delegates, after which permanent
officers were chosen and the necessary
committees appointed.

The only set address of the opening
session was that of Hon. John
Hamilton, of the Department of Agriculture,
Washington, who spoke on
the subject of "Agricultural Education."
The congress adjourned at
luncheon time to permit the delegates
to visit the state fair now in progress.
The proceedings will be resumed tomorrow
and will continue until the
end of the week.

Stabbing at Weiser.
Huntington, Oct. 26.—In a stabbing
affray at a country dance near
Weiser Saturday night, Tom Stoddard
fatally injured Sam Roseborough.
The row arose over a girl,
Roseborough is in a precarious
condition and may die.

Smokestack Exploded.
Stockton, Oct. 26.—Gas in the
giant smokestack of the Holt Harvester
factory, exploded at 4 this morning.
Night Watchman Grimsley was
fatally hurt.

BENEFIT FOR NEW HOSPITAL

LODGES AND OTHERS
FURNISHING ROOMS.

Gifts of All Needed Equipments
Gratefully Received and Full and
Permanent Credit Will Be Given
All Donors.

The business men and residents of
the city are responding nobly to the
call of the Sisters of St. Francis for
the furnishing of the new hospital.
Several of the lodges of the city will
each furnish a room in the building,
while others will be furnished by private
citizens of the city.

Other citizens will furnish beds in
the wards, and still others will
provide miscellaneous supplies and furniture.
Nickel plated name cards will
be placed on the beds and doors of
the house telling by whom the bed or
room was furnished, and it will be
known by the name of the donor.

Arrangements for the dedication
are fast being completed, and the
work on the hospital is nearing an
end, so that all will be ready for a
most eventful day, when the building
is thrown open to the service of
the public.

FOR THEIR REPEAL.
Strong Influence Against Desert Land
and Commutation Act.

Washington, Oct. 26.—C. B. Booth,
chairman of the National Irrigation
Association, had a long talk with
the president this morning. He wants
the repeal of the desert land act and
commutation homestead act. He
says he has many proofs of frauds
perpetrated through these laws to
the detriment of actual homesteaders.
The president promised to look
into the matter.

Fire in the Hold.
Liverpool, Oct. 26.—Fire in the
Celtic's hold at Boards today did
much damage before it was extinguished.

GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by Coo Commission
Company—B. E. Kennedy, Local
Manager.

Portland, Oct. 26.—All markets
opened strong and continued so
through the session. There was
heavy trading in stocks. Among the
strong list was Northern securities,
U. S. S. S. P. M. R. M. O. P.
Liverpool wheat advanced 1 1/2
pence. This is the largest advance
it has had for some time. Wheat
closed strong in Chicago and Minneapolis.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—

Wheat—	Opening.	Close.
Dec.	81 1/2	81 1/2
May	79 1/2	79 1/2

Minneapolis, Oct. 26.—

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Chicago Wheat.

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CHARGED WITH VAST SWINDLES

Former General Counsel for
the World's Fair Resigned
Under Fire.

FORMER EMPLOYE GIVES
DAMAGING TESTIMONY.

Alleged That Mr. Blair is a Wholesale
Forger and Embezzler and
That He Misappropriated Four
Hundred Thousand Dollars—Denies
Everything and Goes to Bed
Sick.

St. Louis, Oct. 26.—A sensation
has been created here by a statement
made to the grand jury by Attorney
James Roberts, regarding the
alleged methods of James Blair,
(until a few days ago general
counsel for the World's Fair, and whose
resignation was accepted) following
a publication which he considered
reflected upon his financial integrity.

Roberts was formerly in Blair's
employ. Among other allegations
against Blair is one of issuing forged
notes and certificates of title to
bogus deeds of trust, and embezzlement
of trust funds in the aggregate
amounting to \$400,000. Of this
amount \$340,000 is said to have been
taken by him from Dick Brothers,
bankers of Philadelphia, and \$60,000
from the Blowe estate, for which he
acted as trustee. Blair denies all
allegations.

Blair is ill.
St. Louis, Oct. 26.—The physicians
attending James Blair, former
general counsel for the World's Fair,
today announced his condition as
improving. The grand jury today
resumed inquiry into the charges
against him.

POCATELLO GAMES CLOSED.
Mayor Orders Police to Clean Out
the City.

Pocatello, Oct. 26.—(Special to
the East Oregonian.)—A spasm of
virtue has swept over the city and
today not a game of any character is
running. The city was infested with
a large aggregation of toughs,
thugs and questionable characters,
and the conditions were so bad
that the mayor decided to take
drastic measures to remedy them.
Not one-fourth of the gamblers here
Saturday are left in the city today,
and the unearthy quiet about the
large club rooms and saloons is
oppressive to the sports.

Some heavy gambling has been
done here lately. One foot race took
place last week on which it is said
that \$30,000 changed hands and
poker games representing \$5,000 are
not infrequent.

MUST STAND IMMEDIATE TRIAL.
Motion for Delay in Sam Parks' Case
Was Denied.

New York, Oct. 26.—Sam Parks'
attorneys have tried to have his trial
delayed, claiming the defendant is
suffering from tuberculosis and is
unable to stand the strain. The court
denied the motion. No officers of
Parks' union were present save
McCarthy, who is known as Parks' man
Friday. The leader seems to be
deserted.

DOWIE'S TEAM ATTACHED.
Elijah H Having Trouble With the
Debtors' Law.

New York, Oct. 26.—Dowie's
barouche and four horses, which he
brought with him from Chicago, were
seized by a deputy sheriff outside of
Madison Square this morning, to satisfy
a claim of \$1,000 for lawyers' fees
for advice rendered one of
Dowie's lieutenants. Dowie denounced
from the aisles the statement that
his wife had taken \$7,000,000 in securities
to Australia.

ANARCHIST DEPORTED.
First Occurrence Under the Act of
1901.

Washington, Oct. 26.—After
consultation with Commissioner of Immigration
Sargent, Secretary Cortelyou
today issued orders that John
Turner, the self-confessed anarchist,
be deported to England. This is the
first deportation under the anti-anarchist
provision of the immigration
act of 1903.

Senator Stewart Will Marry.
Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 26.—Senator
Stewart, of Nevada, tonight will
marry Mrs. Conesog, of Madison, Ga.
Stewart's first wife was killed in an
automobile accident a year ago at
Alameda, Cal.

Southern Pacific Advance.
New York, Oct. 26.—London
quotations show that the stock market
this morning opened strong there.
Southern Pacific advanced a point.

TROUBLESOME BUT NOT ACUTE

General Situation in the Sultan's
Empire is Harassing
and Malign.

FORMIDABLE REVOLT
BY ARABIAN TRIBES.

The Sultan Was Yesterday Stricken
With a Fainting Spell and His
Condition is Serious—Insurgent
Leaders Have Gathered at Sofia to
Await Their Chief, Saraff.

Vienna, Oct. 26.—The Neu Freie
Press today announces that Emperor
Joseph has, with one modification,
accepted the Hungarian liberal program,
thus ending the deadlock and
danger of abdication.

Will Plan Campaign.
Sofia, Oct. 26.—A number of insur-
gent leaders are here awaiting Saraff
and will confer as to the future
campaign.

Sultan Fainted.
Paris, Oct. 26.—In the Figaro to-
day a Constantinople dispatch says
the sultan fainted yesterday, since
which time his condition is causing
grave fear.

New York, Oct. 26.—A London
dispatch from Constantinople states
that the military commandant and
governor of the province of Azir, on
the coast of Arabia, have been killed
in a revolt of two Arab tribes
against the cattle tax. A thousand
Turkish troops are reported killed,
and the remainder routed. French
troops under Hady Pasha have been
dispatched to the scene.

ASSAILED THE PRINCE.
Ohio Boor Fined for Beating a Korean
Prince.

Delaware, Oct. 26.—The case
of Joseph Stout, charged with an
assault on Prince Yee, of Korea, was in
common pleas court this morning.
Stout pleaded guilty and sentence
was received. The assault was last
June and unprovoked. Stout's excuse
was that he did not like "chinks."

CANNOT RECOVER.
Philadelphia Millionaire Suffering
From Last Illness.

Philadelphia, Oct. 26.—William
Elkins, the millionaire traction and
gas magnate, who was expected to
die before morning, at 9 o'clock
rallied and is now resting easier,
but there are little hopes, however,
for his recovery.

Brakeman Killed.
Glenn's Ferry, Idaho, Oct. 26.—
(Special to the East Oregonian.)—
Brakeman Eugene Williams, formerly
a dispatcher on the O. S. L., a native
of Salem, Or., and lately in the
train service on the Short Line, out
of this city, fell from the top of the
train to the track, at King Hill
yesterday evening. He was so badly
mangled that he died three hours
after the accident.

Donkel Acquitted.
The Dalles, Oct. 26.—Cleveland
Donkel, who was accused of murdering
his father near Prineville, last
September, was acquitted by the
circuit court Saturday night. The
case occupied the attention of the
court four days.

Nansen Denies It.
Stockholm, Oct. 26.—Explorer
Nansen today stated that the reports
he is about to start on a new polar
expedition are inaccurate.

Business Section Burned.
Poland, Ind., Oct. 26.—The business
section was destroyed by fire
this morning. Loss \$50,000.

INSIDE THE LIMITS.
Charged With Discharging Firearms
Contrary to Ordinance.

Neil Dupuis was arrested this
morning charged with having violated
a city ordinance by discharging
firearms inside of the city limits.
He was arraigned, and while admit-
ting that he had fired the gun denied
that it was inside the city limit. The
court allowed a plea of not guilty
and asked the city attorney to look
into the case.

It seems that for some time the
city has been a gang of boys who make
a practice of shooting chickens be-
longing to the residents of the out-
skirts of the city and taking them
to the woods, where they were
converted into "stump gullions" in
the good old hobo style. This is what
was done in this case, the defendant
having shot a chicken belonging to
Robert Haxlett and being caught
with it in his possession. The case
will come up for trial at the conven-
ience of the city attorney.

HEWITT INDICTED.

Ukiah Postmaster Found Guilty of
Abuse of Postal Laws.

Frederick Hewitt, formerly post-
master at Ukiah, was indicted late
Saturday evening by the federal
grand jury at Portland, for abusing
the United States postal laws.
Hewitt was found guilty of using
stamps to purchase goods last March,
while postmaster at Ukiah. The pen-
alty for the offense is a heavy fine,
but no action has yet been taken in
the matter. The case will be heard
at the term of the court now in ses-
sion.

GRADE CROSSING WRECK.
Freight Train Smashes Into a Street
Car at Cleveland.

Cleveland, Oct. 26.—A freight train
west bound on the Cleveland & Pitts-
burg railway, ran into an Euclid
avenue car at a grade crossing this
afternoon, completely wrecking the
latter. Seven persons are known to
be seriously, if not fatally injured.

ROCK CREEK POWER PLANT.
Will Transmit Light and Power to
Baker City, a Distance of 15
Miles.

Baker City, Oct. 26.—(Special to
the East Oregonian.)—The first wire
for the new Rock creek power plant
arrived Sunday and work on string-
ing this wire line 15 miles in length,
will begin at once.
The plant has been equipped with
an additional 400-horse power gen-
erator, and an all day service will be
installed at once.

CLOSE RESULT PREDICTED.
Greater New York in Throes of a
Whirlwind Campaign.

New York, Oct. 26.—A whirlwind
campaign is marking the close of the
majority contest. Several
thousand meetings are scheduled for
this week. Indications are of an ex-
ceptionally close contest, and bets
today are even.

THIRTY-FIVE CAR- LOADS OF BRICK

WILL BE FURNISHED
BY THE WESTON YARD.

Three Hundred Fifty Thousand
Brick Will Be Used in the Pur-
chase Building—Work Will Be
Pushed Vigorously.

The first load of brick for the Pur-
chase building is expected to arrive
in the city today from the brick
yards at Weston, and the shipments
will continue daily until all of the
material for the building is on the
ground. There will be 350,000 bricks
furnished by this yard, which will
make about 35 carloads. It will be
shipped at the rate of two and three
cars a day.

The work on the superstructure
will be started as soon as the material
for the floor beams and joists can
be got from the mill. The wood
work is now delaying the construction
and as soon as the lumber yards get
the material the work will be
started, perhaps about the first of
the month.

The pressed brick for the front of
the building is now on the way from
Colorado Springs, and will be here
in a few days. As soon as it comes
and the floor beams are in, the work
will commence and be pushed
through until the completion of the
contract.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.
Death Ensued Instantly From Blow
on Head by a Windlass.

H. W. Stewart and brother, Harry
Stewart, who has been visiting him
for some time, were called home yester-
day by the news of the death of
their father, J. H. Stewart, of
Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. H. W.
Stewart and brother, Harry Stewart,
left for home last night on the early
train.

The father, J. H. Stewart, was one
of the pioneers of Lane county, hav-
ing gone to Eugene over 40 years
ago. He engaged in the mercantile
business there, which he followed
until recently, when he retired from
active business life and moved onto
a small farm near Springfield, where
he expected to live in quiet the rest
of his life.

On this farm he had an irrigation
ditch at the head of which ditch the
gate was operated by a windlass.
While engaged in raising the gate,
the windlass escaped from his hold
and the handle struck Mr. Stewart
in the head, killing him instantly.
The deceased was over 70 years of
age at the time of his death, and
was one of the well-known men of
the old settlers of Western Oregon.

Cattle Around Ukiah.
Dan Coombs, of Ukiah, is in the
city for a short visit on business.
Mr. Coombs is one of the principal
cattlemen of the Ukiah country, and
this is the first visit to the city for
nearly a year. He reports grass good
in his section of the country, and
the cattle in good condition for the
winter weather.

PROCEEDINGS IN CIRCUIT COURT

One Famous Case, Often in
Court, Was This Morning
Non-Suited.

TITLE TO A STRIP OF
LAND WAS INVOLVED.

Question Considered of Whether a
Mortgage Deed Is a Conclusive
Final Title—Held That It Is Not—
Interesting Suit for Wages Alleged
to Be Due.

In the circuit court this morning,
the case of the First National Bank
of Walla Walla against D. McDonald,
was non-suited on the motion of the
attorneys for the defense.

The case has been in the courts
for a long time, and has been tried
more than once. It is a case involv-
ing the possession of a disputed strip
of land between the ranches of Alex
Dalker and the defendant. The
ground for non-suit was that the
plaintiff was simply a mortgagee and
had no right to bring action.

While the bank has a title to the
land, it is simply a mortgagee, though
in the form of a deed executed by
Alex Walker as security for money
advanced by the bank to him with
the agreement that as soon as Walker
repaid the money advanced the
title was to revert to him. There-
fore, the bank having no permanent
title is not a legal party to the suit
and the court so ruled.

Suit for Wages.
The case of R. C. Baker vs. B. F.
McElroy is before the court this
afternoon. This is a case brought
to recover wages alleged to be due
the plaintiff from the defendant for
services rendered in the harvest field.
The plaintiff alleges that he worked
for \$3.50 a day, and the defendant
that the contract was for \$2.50.

The case was tried in the justice
court and decided in favor of the
plaintiff, but appealed to the circuit
court by the defendant. H. H. Col-
lier represents the plaintiff, while
Halley and Lowell are looking after
the interests of the defense.

Gould Board in Control.
Salt Lake, Oct. 26.—At the stock-
holders of the Rio Grande Western
annual meeting today, the old Gould
board was re-elected.

HENRY S. THOMPSON DEAD.
Passed Away Sunday After an Ill-
ness of Twenty-Six Days.

Henry Shirley Thompson died at
the home of his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. O. F. Thompson, on Birch creek,
Sunday morning at 6 o'clock, after an
illness of 26 days with typhoid
fever.

The deceased was a son of Mr.
and Mrs. O. F. Thompson, well known
residents of this county, and was
a brother of Asa B. Thompson,
La Grande land office. He was 26
years of age at the time of his death
and well known and universally liked
in the county and place of his resi-
dence.

The body was embalmed by Baker
& Folsom of this city, and will be
kept until all of the brothers and
relatives are able to reach the home
before burial. If they arrive in time
the funeral will be held tomorrow
under the auspices of the Masons,
of which order the deceased was a
member.

BROOKS-LA FAVE.
Well-Known Residents of Athena
Were Married Today.

John J. La Fave and Miss Inez P.
Brooks were united in marriage this
morning at the office of the justice
of the peace, Judge Fitz Gerald of
Clatsop.

The principals in the ceremony
are well known residents of the
Athena country, where they have
lived for several years. The groom
is the step-son of Frank Martin, one
of the large farmers of the reserva-
tion. Mr. and Mrs. La Fave will re-
side on the farm on the reservation
in the future.

Ear Badly Injured.
This morning, as the train came to
a stop at the O. R. & N. depot, the
9-year-old child of a family en route
to Portland, fell in the aisle of the
car and split her ear open. Dr. Cole
was called and placed a first dressing
on the injured member. The child
will be taken to a hospital at Port-
land, where the injury will be per-
manently dressed, as there was not
sufficient time for it to be done
while the train was here.

The board of Philippine commis-
sioners has announced a proclama-
tion demonizing the Mexican dollar
from and after January 1, 1904.
It is now worth but 50 cents on the
dollar.