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BLEW UP HOUSE WITH INMATES

Explosives Under a Seattle Dwelling Wreck it and Injure the Residents.

FRENCHMAN ACCUSED OF THE UNUSUAL CRIME

House Was Occupied by Five Persons, All of Whom Were More or Less Seriously Injured, Though None Dangerously So—Man and Wife Are Blown to the Ceiling by the Explosion, Which Was Directly Beneath Their Bed—Deed Supposed to Be Perpetrated in Revenge for the Accused Man Losing His Job—He Worked at Ravensdale, Wash.

Seattle, Oct. 10.—On a charge of blowing up and burning a house at Ravensdale, with the object of killing an entire family, Frank Hadevis, a French miner, was brought to the county jail last night by Deputy Sheriff Nat Starwick.

The wrecked house was occupied by George Alfreds, his wife and three children. Alfreds is superintendent of the Northwest Improvement company's mine at Ravensdale. A short time ago he discharged Hadevis, who, it is alleged, threatened vengeance. The explosion awakened the whole town. Deputy Sheriff Starwick, who lived next door, rescued the family before they were dangerously injured, and he, with others, put out the fire. The force of the explosion blew Alfreds and his wife to the ceiling, the charge being placed underneath the bedroom. The mattress probably saved their lives.

ONE OF THE ARGONAUTS

H. F. Gordon, Who Blazed Trail Over American Desert, Was Here.

H. F. Gordon, a pioneer who crossed the plains from St. Louis to Salt Lake City in 1855, and from Salt Lake went across the great American desert with a party of 100 prospectors to California, by way of San Pedro, passed down the O. R. & N. today to Portland to see the fair during the closing days.

Mr. Gordon is one of a party of 25 survivors of that 100 prospectors whom Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, has just taken on an excursion over the Salt Lake, Los Angeles & San Pedro railway. This new road follows almost exactly the route traveled by the party of prospectors 56 years ago, and Senator Clark conceived the idea of collecting the survivors together and taking them a trip over the new railroad which now follows their trail across the desert.

Mr. Gordon expresses great delight in the progress of the west during the past 56 years, and said it was more like a miracle than a reality to ride over the new San Pedro road, which follows the old desert trail. While his party was crossing the desert in 1855, 12 members died from fever and fatigue and at one time the entire party was threatened with death from thirst. They traveled three days with but enough water to wet their tongues once.

Now the country is traversed by the railroad and is practically converted into a civilized community the entire length, excepting in the sandy tracts, where settlement is impossible.

Mr. Gordon praises the kindness and thoughtfulness of Senator Clark which prompted this excursion for the old pioneers who blazed that desert trail along the intolerable hardships of 56 years ago.

School Land Cases Postponed.

Salem, Oct. 10.—Judge Burnett today continued the school land fraud cases against Keilber and Turner, until next Friday. The defendant asked for two weeks in which to plead.

Will Meet in Philadelphia.

St. Louis, Oct. 10.—The executive committee of the Republican league clubs today decided to hold the next national convention at Philadelphia.

The Morning mine (silver-lead) at Mullan, Idaho, has been sold to the Federal Mining and Smelting company for \$3,000,000.

Union Pacific Directors.

Salt Lake, Oct. 10.—The following Union Pacific directors will undoubtedly be elected: Oliver Ames, W. D. Crenish, T. Eckert, H. C. Frick, E. H. Harriman, Marvin Huggitt, Otto Kahn, R. S. Lovett, Charles A. Peabody, W. C. Rockefeller, H. H. Rogers, J. N. Schiff, Jos. E. Smith (the Mormon president), James Stillman and H. A. Valentine.

ECHO OF "HUNT ROAD"

Suit Started to Collect \$4500 Due on Subsidy Contract.

Walla Walla, Oct. 10.—The civil suit started by G. W. Hunt against C. B. and W. H. Upton to collect a sum approximating \$4500 alleged to be due on a contract to pay for a subsidy for building a railway line from Hunt's junction to Walla Walla, was taken up in the superior court this morning.

The suit is one of several started by Mr. Hunt growing out of the failure of many Walla Wallans to redeem pledges guaranteed Mr. Hunt at the time he constructed the Hunt system from Hunt's junction to Dayton, nearly 20 years ago.

The contract given by the Uptons dates back into 1885 and originally was for \$2000. Interest since that time amounts to more than the principal, the aggregate sum being sued for amounting to nearly \$4500.

The case is being heard by Judge Mitchell Gilliam of Seattle. Judge Brents was disqualified from sitting on the case owing to having been employed as an attorney for Mr. Hunt in similar cases started years ago.

Mr. Hunt is being represented by Col. C. E. S. Wood and William Muir of Portland, and Garrecht & Dunphy of Walla Walla. Sharpstein & Sharpstein appear for the defense.

STATE ENGINEER REPORTS.

Land Board Hears of Conditions in Des Chutes, Session Being Held Behind Closed Doors.

Salem, Oct. 10.—(Special.)—State Engineer John H. Lewis today reported to the state land board on the irrigation conditions in the Des Chutes district where he held up an application for patent to 70,000 acres of land which it was alleged was irrigated.

The board held its sessions behind closed doors and it is not known the extent or nature of the disclosures at 4 o'clock. Sensational reports are expected.

BRAKEMAN HAS BEEN ARRESTED

CHARGED WITH TAKING PART IN SEATTLE HOLD-UP.

If Not an Actual Participant, He is Supposed to Be an Accomplice—Apprehended in Spokane and Taken in Irons to Seattle—Claimed Some Incriminating Evidence Was Found as a Result of the Search of Spaulding—Man Arrested is a "Hard Looking Character."

Spokane, Oct. 10.—J. J. Spaulding, a railroad brakeman 42 years of age, who it is believed was one of the men who held up the Great Northern train near Seattle last Monday night or at least knows who the hold-ups are, was arrested yesterday shortly after noon on Main avenue by Special Officer Enright of the Great Northern. Last night Spaulding, heavily manacled, was taken to the coast.

Saturday Special Officer Enright picked up a clew on the coast that Spaulding was one of the hold-ups. Enright arrived in Spokane yesterday morning and after a search of several hours located Spaulding. He was taken to the police station and booked as a sleeper.

When searched at the police station a gray mitten and some incriminating correspondence was found on Spaulding. The men who held up the Great Northern train last Monday night had on mittens. Just what the nature of the letters found upon Spaulding are the officers refuse to discuss.

They were written before the hold-up, and it is stated that in them plans for the train robbery were discussed. Special Officer Enright last night, previous to his departure on the west-bound Great Northern train, refused to say where he was taking Spaulding.

Spaulding is a hard looking character. He is about medium size and dark. He was dressed in rough clothes. He had but 76 cents.

Crook County Stock Deals.

Z. M. Brown purchased 86 head of steers from Bennett & Wiley and T. F. Long at Crook last week. The bunch was made up of three, four and five-year-olds and 228 per head was paid for them. They have been driven to Bend.

About 200 head of three, four and five-year-olds were purchased last week by Grant Mays from the Hacklemans. The three-year-olds brought \$28 per head and the four and five-year-olds \$25 per head. The bunch is being driven to the Mays ranch at The Dalles.

W. C. Congleton and L. D. Claypool of Paulina, shipped 105 head of steers and cows from Shaniko to Louisa, Burke, of Portland. This bunch of cattle is shipped to be sold on the commission plan and the prices realized will be known some time next week.—Prineville Journal.

The city of Caldwell last evening levied the assessment for the fiscal year 1905, at 1 1/2 mills on every dollar of the assessed valuation, divided as follows: General fund, 5/8 mill, road fund 4 mills, bond and interest fund 2 1/2 mills, cemetery fund 1/2 mill.—Caldwell News.

BLACKMAILED JONES ET AL.

Portland, Oct. 10.—The testimony in the Jones land fraud case this morning shows the defendants to be victims of blackmailing plots on the part of a number of people who discovered the fraudulent character of their operations and extorted money in amounts ranging from \$250 to \$500. Several old soldiers under contract with the defendants joined in the sub-conspiracy. Among those alleged to have received money from Jones are G. A. Heinz, J. P. Clark and L. C. Chamberlain, of Oregon City.

RAMSEY WILL KEEP UP FIGHT

Contests Every Rod of Road With the Goulds, Who Have the Advantage.

MAKES HOPELESS FIGHT AGAINST VOTING PROXIES.

His Attorneys Announce the Intention of Carrying the Fight Into the Courts to Oust the New Directors and Publicly Air the Affairs of the Company, Thus Seeking Revenge, and Possible Redress at the Bar of Public Opinion—The Gould People Acknowledge a Long Fight is Now Ahead of Them—Ramsey Sure of Being a Director.

Toledo, Oct. 10.—The Wabash stockholders meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock.

Ramsey formally protested against Gould as chairman on the grounds he is also chairman of the Missouri Pacific board.

A recess was taken to permit the bondholders to caucus. The bondholders announced they would take advantage of their privilege according to law to take six directors, also allowing the stockholders six, 12 being necessary to elect. A roll of stockholders was called to see who held proxies. Ramsey protested as fast as announced. Ramsey's protests were filed without comment.

The fight is announced by Ramsey's attorneys, preliminary to a contest in the courts to oust the board of directors and air the internal affairs of the company. Gould anticipates a long battle. Ramsey announced he would use the cumulative system of voting proxies. As a stockholder he can vote one-sixth of the stock for himself, assuring himself a place on the board of directors.

Arrested and Escaped.

About 2 o'clock this afternoon Jack Schaffer, baker for C. Rohrman, was arrested by Marshall Coffman and Deputy Sheriff J. F. Binkley, charged with robbing the Rohrman store last night. On looking through Schaffer's trunk several boxes of cigars are said to have been found, thus casting suspicion upon him. However, he denied his guilt when confronted with the charge.

Shortly after his arrest Schaffer escaped from Deputy Binkley while at his hotel getting some clothes, and up to 4 o'clock he has not yet been retaken.

\$20 Per Tooth.

A. N. Roberts, the well known hunter of American Ridge, who recently returned from the Bitter Root reserve with a large bull elk weighing 1200 pounds, has sold the two valuable teeth he took from the animal to E. C. Lloyd, of Moscow, for \$40. He will have the animal mounted.—Troy (Idaho) News.

Pass It Around.

Cecil Crook and M. J. Taves, miners, paid \$2.50 each for one cigarette, for when they appeared before Judge Cameraux of Portland, he fined each that sum. Both pleaded guilty and promised to smoke no more.—La Grande Observer.

ROHRMAN'S STORE ROBBED LAST NIGHT

Rohrman's store on East Court street, was broken into last night and robbed of \$17.50 in money, several boxes of cigars, some pocket knives and other articles. Entrance to the store was effected through a back window. The screen on the outside of the window was torn off and the window raised so as to allow of the thief's entrance. Charles Rohrman, proprietor of the store, is now in Portland upon a visit, and the store is in charge of Mr. Cook, one of the clerks. This morning when he opened the store he found the cash

QUESTIONABLE EXPENDITURES

Officials of the Mutual Life Continue to Make Damaging Admissions.

OLIPHANT DREW FUNDS ON HIS OWN VOUCHERS.

As Chairman of the Board of Trustees He Did Not Consider It His Duty to Know Where \$200,000 Went Which Was Drawn as a "Confidential Legal Fund"—He "Supposed Some Money Went Into the Republican Campaign Fund"—Eminent Insurance Magnate Has Fled to Europe—Oliphant "Has to" Cash in Without Asking Any Questions.

New York, Oct. 10.—The insurance investigation was resumed this morning. Robert Oliphant, a trustee of the Mutual, was a witness. He said all corporations maintained a "confidential legal fund." He said he had authority as chairman to draw money on his vouchers for legal expenses. He said he did not know why the money was not paid the general solicitor for disbursement.

Oliphant said eight payments of \$25,000 each, had been made him as chairman for legal expenses. He turned over each to the disbursing officers and did not consider it his duty to know its specific uses. He said he supposed some was contributed to the republican fund, because he had not heard of any political contributions coming from any other fund. His inquirer asked: "If a vice-president of the company asks for money do you give it without knowing anything about what it is for?" Oliphant replied: "I have to."

Robert A. Grannis, a vice-president of the Mutual, testified in regard to political contributions, admitting such. The committee was surprised to hear that George W. Perkins has sailed for Europe.

GILLETTE COULD NOT TELL.

Admitted His Company Paid \$365,000 Last Year for "Legal Expenses." Grannis said he never heard of any campaign contributions. He is unacquainted with Hamilton. Could not recall whether he conferred with New York Life representatives regarding legislation anywhere in this country. He said Thummel looked after legislation, but could not recall having given him any instructions. Gillette, another vice-president, was called. He was shown vouchers for \$25,000 each, bearing his signature, which he said were for "legal expenses."

Hughes asked: "What are legal expenses?" Gillette said the general solicitor told him the money was to be used for "legal expense." Hughes persisted. Gillette said he was not told the specific purposes. Gillette's attention was called to the fact that the "legal expenses" of the mutual last year were \$365,000; the New York Life \$172,000; the Equitable \$204,000. Asked to explain why the Mutual was so much larger than the others, he indicated he thought it a matter for the general solicitor to judge.

Richard A. McCurdy, president of the Mutual, was called this afternoon to testify.

May Lose a Leg.

George Knable, a one-armed man who has been driving stage on the Prineville-Mitchell route for the past six weeks, met with a serious accident Tuesday which may result in the loss of his right leg.—Prineville Journal.

QUARANTINE IS RAISED.

Quarantine Inspector Not Needed for Stock Exportations.

Lewiston, Idaho, Oct. 10.—Dr. L. C. Henderson, special livestock inspector, is in receipt of a circular from the agricultural department announcing that the quarantine placed on cattle in Idaho, Washington and Oregon has been raised.

For three years the department has maintained a quarantine over the cattle of these three states and every steer or cow that was to be shipped to market had to be seen by a special inspector before shipment. This has taken a great amount of time for the inspector, but since Dr. Henderson was placed in charge of the Lewiston district last April he has not found a single case of scabies, although hundreds of head of cattle have been shipped.

The raising of the quarantine does not do away with all inspection, however, as cattle are in the future to be inspected at the market point.

School Funds in Grant.

The semi-annual appropriation of school funds, county and state, was made on October 2 by County School Superintendent McIntosh. The amount on hand was unusually large and the sum of \$7755.69 has been placed in the hands of the district clerks of Grant county. In some districts this will have the effect of lengthening the regrettably short terms of three or four months. In other cases it will aid in wiping out current indebtedness. In either case it will be extremely welcome to the school boards.—John Day News.

"If" There Is Illegal Fencing.

William H. Heim and S. B. Dunmager, U. S. government inspectors, are in this section looking over the situation. It is understood that if any illegal fencing has been done it will be undone in summary manner on the order of these gentlemen.—John Day News.

"STEEL KING" IN PENDLETON

SCHWAB IS A HEAVY CALCULATING TALKER.

Passed Through Last Evening East-bound From the Southwest and the Lewis and Clark Fair—He is Establishing a Residence in Nevada With the Intention of Entering the Lists for the United States Senate—Nevada, Between Mines and Irrigation, Has Great Prospects in Sight.

It requires but slight stretch of the imagination to clothe Charles M. Schwab, the steel king, in the coat increased with dollar marks, which Homer Davenport made famous in his cartoons of Mark Hanna.

Mr. Schwab is the typical money-lover. Cold, calculating, penetrating, cautious, answering questions with slowness and studious concern, he gives the interviewer a suggestion that his words are worth their weight in gold and that they should not be unnecessarily wasted.

Mr. Schwab was a passenger on the eastbound O. R. & N. train last evening on his way from Nevada to Pittsburgh and for 10 minutes walked the platform at the O. R. & N. depot, smoking his 40-cent cigar and conversing on the west and especially the Lewis and Clark fair, which he has just visited.

Mr. Schwab bears the unique reputation of being the first man in the world to draw a salary of \$1,000,000 per year, which amount he drew when he became manager of the United States Steel corporation six years ago.

Before that time he had been superintendent of Carnegie mills at different places, principally at Pittsburgh, having grown up in the steel industry from the position of a miner.

The terrible strain of the enormous business wrecked his nerves and he was forced to retire and is now establishing a residence in the state of Nevada, where he expects to run for the United States senate against Senator Newlands. Schwab is largely interested in Goldfield gold mines, Nevada, having invested several millions in property there. He says the prospects ahead of Nevada are now brighter than ever before, because of the large government irrigation projects now being constructed there, and the recent rich discoveries in the gold fields.

He was surprised and delighted with the Lewis and Clark fair and says that the advertisements of the fair in the east have awakened the people there to a true realization of the resources and advantages of the west and he looks for a remarkable western movement within the next few years.

He says he expects to make Nevada his home, and will make every endeavor to become westernized, as rapidly as possible.

HARRIMAN MAY BUY.

Astoria and Columbia River Road May Be Added to the Big System. It is reported in Portland that E. H. Harriman is now negotiating for the purchase of the Astoria & Columbia River railway, thus giving the big system a direct line to the seacoast.

LOCAL INTEREST IS VERY SLIGHT

One Republican From Umatilla County to Chairman Baker's Conference.

MAJOR MOORHOUSE WILL ATTEND IN FULL FORCE.

All Others Who Have Been Spoken With Regarding the Conference, Say They Will Not Attend—None Others Besides the Major Are Known of Who Purpose Attending—Prevalent Opinion in the Party's Councils Locally Speaking, That Nothing Can Be Accomplished—One Prominent Republican Says Nothing Can Allay the Bitterness.

Evidently the republican peace conference which is to be held in Portland on Thursday is not to be attended by many of the leaders from this county. Thus far the only man who is said to be certain of attending is Major Lee Moorhouse, county committeeman. Among the others none are known to be preparing for the jaunt to the camp of peace, and all who have been seen have stated that they would not attend.

As to the reasons for this apparent lack of interest in Chairman Baker's scheme, it is doubtless true that some are prevented from attending through personal business matters, and because of the time consumed in a trip to Portland. However, a still greater reason is probably found in the general belief that little can come from the meeting.

In speaking on the subject this morning, one prominent local member of the party declared that it would be impossible for any conference to remove the bitterness that exists as the result of political strife in various portions of the state, and predicted that the meeting would prove futile.

THE TRIBUNE'S CONSISTENCY.

Baker City Democrat Calls Attention to the Double-Dealing "Syndicate."

The Baker City Democrat of Sunday morning says: Elmer P. Dodd is manager and one of the owners of the Pendleton Tribune.

Elmer P. Dodd is the principal owner of the Baker City Evening Herald. In Pendleton Dodd's Tribune fights the increased assessment of the O. R. & N. In Baker City Dodd's Herald makes a great howl because the county court did not increase the O. R. & N. assessment quite enough to suit him.

"Consistency is a jewel," isn't it? Read what the East Oregonian of Pendleton says: "Until the Morning Tribune pays up \$156 back taxes due the county for the past five years, its advice on compromising with the railroads on their taxes, or any other phase of the tax question, will have but little weight with the county court or the people. To such tax-dodging methods as have been practiced by the Tribune is largely due the present high levy in other eastern Oregon counties. While there is very little tax-dodging in this county, yet the chief dodger cannot be taken as authority on any issue affecting taxes or assessments."

New Carnegie Library.

The plans and specifications for the new Carnegie library have been received from the architect by the board of trustees. A meeting of the board has been called for Saturday evening for the purpose of considering the plans in detail and making arrangements for advertising for bids. It is expected work will be commenced this fall and the foundation completed before winter sets in.

The building will be constructed of Fort Angeles stone or some other way side quarry output. There will be a basement with over half the depth above the ground and one story above. The building will be complete in every detail. It is not expected to have it finished till some time next summer.—North Yakima Republic.

John Dinehart, a well known Grand Army man of Eugene, a few days ago became suddenly insane. He imagines he is being pursued by men who wish to kill him.

Attempted Suicide.

Eugene, Oct. 10.—Dependent and in ill health, Prof. P. C. Langemo, instructor in economics of the University of Oregon, attempted suicide by slashing his throat with a razor last night, cutting two gashes below the jugular vein. He may possibly recover. He arrived from Berkeley Friday last where he taught last year.