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CRUCIAL MOMENT IS AT HAND

Success or Failure of Publicity Movement to Be Determined Tonight.

PRESIDENT ALEXANDER
PLEADS FOR ATTENDANCE.

Committee to Be Named to Have Charge of Fund and to Conduct Bureau — Money Raising Campaign Will Be Started and Vigorously Prosecuted as Soon as Plans Can Be Perfected—President of Commercial Club Urges Members and Property Holders to Attend Meeting—Declares Gathering Will Be One of the Most Important Ever Held in Pendleton.

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the publicity movement and to do so attend the mass meeting to be held in the Commercial association rooms this evening.

The meeting tonight will be the crucial period in the campaign for a publicity bureau and the success or failure of the movement will largely depend upon the attitude of property owners and business men tonight.

At the meeting tonight a committee is to be named to have charge of the fund when raised and to have general charge of the publicity bureau when it is formed. Just how the committee will be chosen is not yet settled. It may be appointed directly by the president or elected by those present.

As soon as the committee has been chosen active work of soliciting funds for the bureau will be taken up. However, it is possible that the committee will first take several days in which to work out their plans before they start upon the money raising crusade. So no one need stay away tonight for fear that he will be called upon to donate on the spot.

The following public letter was issued last evening by R. Alexander, president of the Commercial association:

Alexander's Letter.

Pendleton, Ore., May 11, 1908.
To the Members of the Commercial Association, Property Holders and Business Men.

Gentlemen:—As previously announced, a meeting has been called for Tuesday at 8 p. m., at the Commercial club, for the purpose of discussing and collecting funds for the publicity campaign. The recent successful meeting held by the real estate men of the county was indeed gratifying to me as it must have been to you, and as these workers have shown by their enthusiasm their earnest desire to aid us all, I sincerely trust that every man who has at heart the interest of our city and county will be present tomorrow evening.

This meeting will be the most important one that has taken place in the city of Pendleton as long as I can remember, and I cannot urge on you too strongly the necessity of your presence.

Thanking you for your past co-operation and favors,

Sincerely yours,
R. ALEXANDER, Pres.

Easy for Burns.

London, May 12.—Tommy Burns, the American heavyweight, is going to pick up some easy money, the victim being none other than poor old Boshier Bill Squires of meteoric pugilistic fame on the Pacific coast, who went down and out in a single punch last July 4th, when Burns met him at Colma. Bill, however, has picked up a reputation in cockney land by beating Jim Roach in his time recently, and will have a betting following. The purse will be \$87,500 and Squires thinks well enough of his chances to bet \$2500 on himself.

Dragged by a Train.

John Brown, an Austrian laborer, fell or was thrown from a train near Tacoma Friday morning and was instantly killed. He was dragged a quarter of a mile. The man had just been run out of Tacoma by the police.

MILLIONAIRE FACES SERIOUS CHARGE

San Francisco, May 12.—In the custody of Detective Sergeant Norman Fitzsimmons of the New York police department, R. W. Fullerton, son of a St. Louis millionaire, arrived in San Francisco today on the steamer Watson.

Fitzsimmons holds a warrant on a charge preferred by Gladys Hobart of New York.

Miss Hobart charges that Fullerton

JAPAN FACING FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Tokio, Japan, May 12.—The finance bureau has called the leading Japanese financiers into a conference over the situation in the country.

Though it is denied that the national credit is endangered, no attempt is made to conceal the fact that business is frightfully disorganized. Government bonds have dropped from 90 to 80. Capitalists blame the depression on the national policy of the government in taking over the railroads and other public utility concerns.

HELFIN WILL BE TRIED.

Congressman Who Shot Boisterous Negro, Indicted.

Washington, May 12.—Congressman Thomas J. Helfin must stand trial for the shooting of Thomas Lundy, a negro, and Thomas McCreary, while riding in a street car several weeks ago.

Helfin became annoyed by the actions of the negro, who was boisterous and upbraided him, whereupon Lundy, according to Helfin, became more noisy. After a few angry words the congressman threw the negro out of the car and then shot him with a revolver. One bullet struck Lundy and the other flying wild, struck McCreary, who was standing on a street corner.

Bill Not a Candidate.

Chicago, May 12.—William D. Haywood has announced that he will not allow his name to go before the socialist convention as a candidate for the presidential nomination. This leaves the field clear for Debs.

SOLDIER ADMITS BRUTAL MURDER

SUSPECT FORCED TO GIVE HORRIBLE DETAILS

Tells How Bloody Conspirators Planned to Make Way With Fellow Soldier in Order to Get His Money—Suspects Pitted Against Each Other—Guilty Man Bursts Into Tears While Confessing.

Port Townsend, Wash., May 12.—By pitting the suspects against each other a confession was forced from Private Holt today in the murder of Bandman Johnson last Friday night.

By telling Holt that his companions in arrest had confessed, Holt finally broke down and gave the officers all the details of the murder.

Holt narrated the manner in which an agreement was settled between Holt, McKnight and Private Garber to do away with Johnson and secure his money.

Holt made his confession to Captain Harry Newton, of the 26th infantry and broke into tears while doing so.

McKnight stoutly denies any connection with the crime.

The force of guards about the prison has been doubled to prevent any attempt to carry out the sentiment expressed that Holt should be lynched.

Victim of Spotted Fever.

The second victim of spotted fever this spring at Missoula, Mont., was buried there Thursday. He was Milton Savage of Victor. The other victim was William Chenoweth of Lolo, who was buried a few days ago. Dr. Ricketts the spotted fever expert from Washington, D. C., made an investigation in both cases.

May Abolish Chain Gang.

The Tacoma city chain gang will soon be a thing of the past. Councilman Ritter Wilkeson is heading a movement for the substitution of a rock crushing plant, similar to that in use in Portland. Wilkeson and other councilmen declare the chain gang a relic of barbarism.

Doggett Arrested.

Jeff Doggett, the divorced husband of Mrs. Aldrich, who was murdered near Walla Walla a short time ago, has been arrested at his parents' home in Sprague. It is claimed he is wanted as a witness in the case.

TWO ASSAULTS ON PAWNBROKERS

Portland Seems to Be Infested With Organized Gang of Thieves.

INJURIES RECEIVED BY VICTIMS MAY BE FATAL.

Both Leaders of Money Are in Precarious Condition and Can Give No Information—One Suspect Under Arrest—One Crime Committed Last Night, the Other This Morning—Men Found Unconscious in Their Shops, Terribly Wounded—Bloody Gas Pipe Found, Showing Weapon Used in One Instance—Martin Not Connected With Present Gang of Thugs.

Portland, May 12.—Two assaults on pawnbrokers, both of which may result fatally, have occurred within the last 12 hours.

The latest was reported to the police at 11:30 this morning when the unconscious form of H. Newman, a Couch street pawnbroker, was found lying in his shop with a deep gash in his skull and two cuts across the face. The weapon used by the murderer was a length of gas pipe which was found later.

Newman is still unable to tell the police what occurred in the store. He is unable to give the police any description of his assailant.

Max Hermann, the pawnbroker who was attacked and beaten Monday evening, is still at St. Vincent's hospital. The doctors fear his skull may have been fractured.

C. W. Wagner, the man arrested on suspicion of complicity in the Hermann assault, is still in prison. He will be examined this afternoon.

The police now believe that there is an organized gang of pawnshop thieves working in Portland. At this time they do not connect Martin, the accused murderer of Pawnbroker Nathan Wolff, with any connection with these thugs.

EXCURSION FOR SAILORS.

Blue Jackets Dance With Social Stars Tonight.

San Francisco, May 12.—Excursions were the principal thing on the program today for visitors and fleet guests.

Under the auspices of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce 300 officers paid a visit to the metropolis of the Santa Clara valley.

Five hundred went over to Vallejo, where they were entertained by a banquet.

This afternoon the inter-squadron cutter race takes place on the bay, and tonight the first great social function takes place, when 2500 men will dance with socially the finest in the bay towns. A blue jacket chosen by lot will lead the grand march with the ranking lady present.

Grange for Equal Suffrage.

Eugene, May 12.—State grange convention today passed a resolution favoring equal suffrage, after listening to the address of Abigail Scott Dunaway. The principal work of the convention was in perfecting the organization for regular work. Mayor J. D. Matlock welcomed the delegates.

ALASKAN WHEAT YIELDS WELL.

Idaho Man Gets 200-Fold Returns From Seed Sown.

A correspondent at Julietta, Idaho, writing to the Lewiston Tribune concerning the new Alaskan wheat grown there, says:

Farmers in this section are much interested in the development of the Alaska wheat. The experience of A. Adams with the wheat has been most successful and his total crop this year is for sale for seed.

Of the propagation of wheat and the heavy yields he says:

Some three years ago I procured one head of wheat with which I have been experimenting. I sowed the one head in the fall of 1904 and in the summer of 1905 harvested seven pounds. Sowed the seven pounds in the spring of 1906 and harvested 1.545 pounds that fall.

Sowed that in the fall of same year but last year's crop was mostly destroyed by the heavy snow fall in the winter and by a hail storm in July, but saved enough to sow a number of hundred acres this fall and spring for a crop in 1908. I raised over 200 times the amount of seed sown every crop not destroyed by storms.

Recently the city council of Toppish, Wash., passed an ordinance making Toppish a wide open town. The mayor has vetoed the ordinance and the better part of the citizens are said to commend him for the act.

WORE COAT OF MURDERED MAN

Damaging Evidence Against Edward H. Martin in Wolff Murder Case.

WIFE AND DAUGHTER IDENTIFY THE GARMENT.

Clerk Who Sold it to the Collateral Banker Also Identifies It—Was Worn by Pawnbroker on the Day He Was Killed and Martin Had It on When Arrested Few Days Later—Accused Man Maintains Stoical Air of Indifference—Says He Bought it of Peddler Four Months Ago.

Portland, May 12.—Direct evidence of the most damaging character has been secured for the state by local detectives against Edward Hugh Martin, the ex-army officer, accused of the murder of the collateral banker, Nathan Wolff.

The overcoat worn by Martin at the time he was arrested and taken to the city prison has been identified as belonging to the dead pawnbroker. It was worn by Wolff on the day he was murdered.

This is testified to by Mrs. Nathan Wolff and her 11-year-old daughter Alice.

Edward E. Eubanks, a clerk in a local clothing store, identified the coat as one he sold Wolff several months ago. He declares he remembers it particularly as it was a special order.

Martin still preserves his stoical air of indifference. When confronted with this latest phase in his case he merely offered his own explanation of his ownership of the coat.

"I bought it from a peddler in front of the Portland hotel four months ago," he said. "I can prove this fact."

FIRE CHIEF AT TONAPAH IN TROUBLE.

Citizens Charge Him With Aiding Blaze's Destruction.

Tonopah, Nev., May 12.—Bitter feeling has been aroused against Fire Chief McKenzie by his alleged belligerent actions during the progress of a fire which Monday night destroyed a \$150,000 block of business houses.

Three citizens, W. Grimes, McGuire and Murphy, charge McKenzie struck them and refused to allow volunteers to take the fire fighting apparatus to the fire until he had dressed. They lay the destruction of the block to the chief's action as they assert the blaze could have easily been subdued at the start. As it was it took the department 20 minutes to move 200 feet down the hill.

The fire burned two hours. Other witnesses declare the chief cut a rope with which the volunteers were pulling down the buildings.

D. B. Gilles, president of the Tonopah Extension club, declares McKenzie tried to stab him during the fire.

To Reclaim Swamps.

Washington, May 12.—Annual meeting of the national drainage congress begins today with a large attendance. The subject of drainage will be an important one for consideration at the White House conference of governors and the two meetings will cooperate in the reclamation of swamp lands.

Tillman to Europe.

Washington, May 12.—Threatened with paralysis, Senator Tillman will sail for Europe with his family Thursday in the hope of relief.

R. Forster Is Ill.

Robert Forster, proprietor of the Pendleton planing mill, is ill at his home on East Alta street.

Hear Thompson Case.

Judge Snell of the Pierce county, Wash., superior court has set May 13 as the time for the hearing of the insanity case of Chester Thompson, the young slayer of Judge G. Meade Emory in Seattle.

Epidemic of Measles.

Upwards of 100 children are said to be suffering from measles in Cle Elum, Wash. There are also several cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria.

Tacoma's Population.

According to the estimate made by the Polk directory publishers, Tacoma has a population of between 112,000 and 115,000.

Two young men borrowed an automobile without asking the owners of the machine in Seattle the other day. They then found a couple of girls and started out for a ride, which ended by the machine plunging over a 75-foot embankment into the sound. The girls were fatally injured and the boys seriously.

VENEZUELA TOWN IS CITY OF DEATH.

Willemstad, May 12.—La Guayra, Venezuela, is a city of death. A plague is spreading there.

Alone, unaided, the populace is making a desperate fight, but with little success. They are cut off by quarantine with a sea and land patrol. Business is suspended, stores are closed and no one comes out except upon compulsory business. The La Guayra railroad has ceased operations.

MANY BOYS ESCAPE FROM STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

System Introduced by New Officer at Washington Institution Is Responsible.

Centuria, May 11.—Despite the efforts of Superintendent Thompson to hide the facts it has been ascertained that 17 boys have escaped from the state training school at Chehalis, between April 7 and May 1 of this year. Of this number only a few have been recaptured. Six of these boys escaped during the last week or 10 days of April.

The cause of the trouble seems to be the installation of new rules and ideas by a new detail officer, who is a recent arrival from Kansas City. It appears that Superintendent Thompson accepted these ideas, not dreaming that the result would be so disastrous as it has become.

There have been no breaks for liberty among the girls; but owing to the absence of Mrs. Ella Stair, who has left for a two weeks' vacation in Olympia, it is feared that attempts will be made in the girls' ward.

MRS. GUNNESS WAS BURNED

BODY IN RUINS IS IDENTIFIED BY RINGS.

No Longer Seems to Be Any Doubt—Arch Fiend Finally Met Her Equal—Rings Were Imbedded in Flesh and Were Not Noticed at First Examination—One Gold Band Formerly Belonged to Her Second Husband.

La Porte, Ind., May 12.—The most convincing evidence so far discovered shows that the body of the woman found in the ashes of the Gunness home was that of Mrs. Belle Gunness, who had a private burying ground near her back door, was revealed today when Dr. J. H. Meyers, the coroner's physician, found three rings on one of the hands of the corpse.

One plain gold band bore the inscription, "P. G. to J. S. Aug. 2, '94." It is thought that "P. G." was Phillip Gunness, Mrs. Gunness' second husband.

Inside the second ring, set with a diamond, was inscribed, "H. S. to J. S. 3-5, '95." The third was not inscribed.

Several people declare these to be the rings worn by Mrs. Gunness. The rings had sunk into the flesh of the hand and were not noticed at the first examination of the body.

MESSANGER ASSAULTED; CAR LOOTED.

Seattle, May 12.—Two holdup men assaulted Express Messenger Joseph E. Arrine on the Great Northern and Seattle-Vancouver train between Ballard and Seattle at 8:30 this morning. They looted the messenger and mail, left the messenger unconscious and escaped before the train pulled into Ballard where the crime was discovered.

The robbery was planned with great care and the thugs got away with at least \$5000. As they had fully an hour's start their escape is probable. Perrine bound and gagged, was found by trainmen unconscious in his car a half mile from Ballard. He has two deep cuts in the head.

Telephone War Ends.

Butte, Mont., May 12.—The strike of the linemen and operators of the Rocky Mountain Telephone company was called off today on a referendum vote taken by the electrical workers union. An agreement was reached by compromise to end the strike and it means an end of the telephone war in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming.

WILLIAM BLAKELEY MAY BE CANDIDATE.

William Blakeley, former sheriff of the county and also ex-member of the legislature, is being urged as an independent candidate for representative and a petition for his nomination is now being circulated. Whether or not Mr. Blakeley will accept the nomination and make the race against L. J. Mann, republican candidate and statement No. 2 man, is not known.

ATILLA WILL WELCOME TRAIN

Farmer's Demonstration in Pendleton on Wednesday Evening May 13.

WILL BE RUN UNDER AUSPICES O. R. & N.

Lectures by O. A. C. Experts for Two Hours Wednesday Evening from 4 to 6 p. m.—Farmers Urged to Attend the Lectures—Specially Equipped Demonstration Car Prepared by the O. R. & N. for the Course of Lectures.

On Wednesday morning, May 13, the first farmers' demonstration train ever run in eastern Oregon will cross the border into Umatilla county and will spend tomorrow and Thursday in the county.

The train is being run under the auspices of the freight department of the O. R. & N. and is accompanied by lecturers from Oregon agricultural colleges who lecture on advanced theories of farming and who are doing an immense amount of good in their tour.

The train was run through Sherman and Gilliam counties yesterday and today is visiting Morrow county points, including Heppner, Ione, Lexington, Clem and Condon and tomorrow morning will cross the line into Umatilla county after making a stop at Irrigon.

The itinerary of the train in Umatilla county is as follows and farmers at every point are urged to attend the lectures and greet the train in the spirit in which it is run:

Wednesday, May 13.
Arr. Irrigon 8:15 a. m., rem. 1 hour
Arr. Hermiston 9:45 a. m., rem. 1 hr.
Arr. Echo 11:15 a. m., rem. 1 hour
Arr. Pilot Rock 2:15 p. m., rem. 1 hr.
Arr. Pendleton 4:00 p. m., rem. 2 hrs.

Thursday, May 14.
Arr. Milton 9 a. m., rem. 1 hour
Arr. Weston 10:45 a. m., rem. 1 hour
Arr. Athena 1:15 p. m., rem. 1 hr.
Arr. Adams 2:45 p. m., rem. 1 hour.
At Pendleton Tomorrow Night.

The train will reach this city tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock and the lectures will be given from 4 to 6 in the specially equipped demonstration car and every farmer of this vicinity is urged to attend the lectures. The O. R. & N. company has equipped the train and is running it at great expense and the people will receive the benefits.

The committee in charge of the local arrangements is composed of the following members of Pendleton Commercial association: Dr. I. U. Temple, Judge S. A. Lowell, Will Moore, Dr. M. S. Kern, G. W. Bradley, M. A. Rader, D. B. Costuma and R. H. Wilcox. However, the professors accompanying the train have requested that no elaborate program for their entertainment be prepared and their stay in the city will not be marked by any demonstration.

The party will remain over night here tomorrow night and will go to Milton early Thursday morning to begin the return trip down the Walla Walla branch during the day.

Those who will accompany the train in the capacity of lecturers will be as follows: aside from O. R. & N. officials:

Dr. James Withycombe, director experiment station.
Professor C. I. Lewis, horticulturist.
Professor C. E. Bradley, chemist.
Professor H. D. Scudder, agronomist.

The principal subjects to be discussed are:

Summer fallow, horticulture, animal husbandry, chemistry of the soil, rotation of crops, general cultural methods.

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