



ALLEGED FRAUDS BEING PROBED

Federal Grand Jury Turning Search Light on Acts of Prominent Pendleton Men.

ATTORNEY JOHN M'COURT IS PRESENTING EVIDENCE.

Twenty-Three Men From All Parts of the State Called Upon to Judge of the Probability of Guilt or Innocence of J. H. Raley, W. J. Furnish, William Slusher, Tom Thompson, Frank Carl and E. P. Marshall—Alleged That Colonel Raley Received Valuable Advance Information From Washington by Wire.

According to the following from the Portland Oregonian, the investigation of the alleged land frauds in Umatilla county is now on in dead earnest:

A federal grand jury of 23 members was selected in the United States court yesterday and immediately began the consideration of evidence connected with land frauds alleged to have been perpetrated in Umatilla county.

Subpoenas have been issued for 118 witnesses, consisting principally of residents of Umatilla county, and it is expected that fully 10 days will be required properly to present all of the evidence before the members of the jury.

The alleged frauds consist of the unlawful acquisition of about 25,000 acres of unallotted lands that originally comprised a part of the Umatilla Indian reservation.

It is reported the evidence that will be presented to the jury will implicate several prominent citizens of Umatilla county, including J. H. Raley, W. J. Furnish, William Slusher, T. T. Thompson, E. P. Marshall and Frank Carl.

It is also understood that the government officials are in possession of a telegram that was sent by Binger Hermann, from Washington, to J. H. Raley at Pendleton, in 1906, apprising Raley of the time when the unsold portions of the Indian lands would be thrown open to settlement without reservation as to acreage, residence or settlement.

The grand jury is composed of the following: J. W. Pugh (foreman), Shedd, Linn county.

C. H. Southern, Bond, Wasco county. John J. Rowley, Dayton, Yamhill county.

Ira B. Sturgis, Baker City, Baker county. Jesse Severn, Junction City, Lane county.

H. G. Nicholson, Medford, Jackson county. Gus P. Kellern, Portland.

J. W. Lytle, Island City, Union county. S. M. Kelly, Roseburg, Douglas county.

W. O. Ziegler, Eugene, Lane county. W. H. Grabenhorst, Salem, Marion county.

H. S. Furman, Eugene, Lane county. N. Easterbrook, Portland.

William M. Daniels, Portland. W. A. Alcorn, Linnon, Multnomah county.

DISASTER FOLLOWS ON DISASTER.

Oklahoma City, May 27.—Four were killed and many injured by a tornado that swept Alva, Okla., this morning. The property damage is heavy.

The houses were swept off their foundations by the twister. The course was mainly through the sparsely settled country. Alva is the only town reported damaged. The country was recently devastated by floods.

AUTO FAILS TO BEAT THE TRAIN.

Medford, Ore., May 27.—Fernando Nelson's party arrived here at 7:40 this morning and left for Portland at 8:35. They expect to arrive in Portland at 10:30 this evening.

Considerable time was lost on account of a 40 mile stretch of bare rock road in the Pitt river country. At Sissons the machine got lost on a lumber road and went 60 miles out of the way.

Nelson is confident he will be able to make schedule time on a second trip when he knows the road.

Frank Campo, Barlow, Clackamas county. G. W. Gage, Dillard, Douglas county.

William F. Gilkey, Dayton, Yamhill county. William Cornelius, Walton, Lane county.

B. C. Holt, Harrisburg, Linn county. John M. Bristol, Portland.

L. Q. Bower, Silverton, Marion county. Nathan Harwood, Eugene, Lane county.

ROCKEFELLER A SON OF THE SOIL, HE SAYS.

John D. Says It Is Woman's Own Fault if She Works.

Pocantico Hills, N. Y., May 27.—Rockefeller announced this morning that he is a real son of the soil and doesn't care who knows it.

He pointed to a mansion nearby and said he shoveled mortar and carried bricks to the top when it was under construction. He denied they were gold bricks.

He said it is woman's fault if she works. There are exceptions, but at the most she can become a housekeeper if she can make up her mind soon enough.

OUTLAWS START TO ROB WHOLE TOWN

Oakland, Oregon, Visited by Desperate Band of Burglars—Interrupted by Marshal After They Had Robbed Postoffice, Hardware Store and Furniture Store and Were Starting in on Furniture Store—Return the Compliment When Marshal Beckley Opens Fire.

Oakland, Ore., May 27.—City Marshal John Beckley, was wounded in the shoulder by bandits who last night attempted to steal all the city's cash.

The men had stolen stamps from the postoffice, looted a hardware store of guns and were rifling the till of a furniture store when interrupted by Beckley.

The men ran, but when the officer fired, they turned and poured a fusillade at him, one bullet taking effect, effectually ending the pursuit.

Nordica at Boise.

Boise, Idaho, May 27.—After a three days' mysterious visit here, Mme. Nordica, the great singer, who is traveling under the name of Mrs. Morton, left for Payette lakes today.

She was accompanied by Colonel Maghee, a family friend, who denies the rumor that she is here seeking a divorce.

Her husband owns a sheep ranch near Klamath Falls, Ore.

Kansas City, May 27.—John Willis Baer, president of the Occidental college, Los Angeles, in a statement to the Presbyterian general assembly today declared the yellow press had more to do with calling the fleet to the Pacific than anything else.

He said the work of the members of the Japanese and Korea exclusion league was un-American and un-Christian.

Frisco to Des Moines on a Bicycle.

San Francisco, May 27.—A. R. Hull started for Des Moines on a bicycle this morning. He is not after speed, but will learn the country between here and Iowa. He carries a compact camp kit. He will visit Ogden, Denver, Cheyenne and Omaha.

Cotton Reports.

Washington, May 27.—Reports on estimated acreage and condition of the cotton crop are coming to the agricultural department from all over the south and a resume of the data collected will be made public a week from tomorrow.

Another Heiress Victim.

Washington, May 27.—Duke D'Albes is coming to America to shoot big game, he says, but it is believed that when he arrives his engagement to Mathilde Townsend, an heiress, will be announced. The Spaniard is young, handsome and rich.

TWELVE LIVES PAY THE PRICE

Attempt to Smuggle Chinese Into This Country Results in Their Death.

CRATED IN MEXICO AND EXPRESSED TO NEW YORK.

Men Are Dead When They Arrive at Destination—Gigantic Smuggling Plot Unearthed on Mexican Border—Secret Leaks Out From Message Sent by Receiving Chinese to Friends in El Paso—Interpreter Overhears It and Notifies Authorities—Officials Are Now Searching for the Participants.

Washington, May 27.—Twelve Chinese lives is the price paid by smugglers experimenting with a scheme for the evasion of the immigration laws.

The government has discovered a dozen orientals who attempted to enter this country by having themselves crated and expressed to New York, were dead upon their arrival.

Inspector Babcock has gone to New York, hunting Quong Dou Yen, who received the corpses from the express company. A telegram from Quong Dou Yen to friends at El Paso revealed the plot.

It is believed the smugglers crated the men on the Mexican side of the line, hauled them across the river and expressed them from this side.

Cremating a Whale.

Waldport, Ore., May 27.—A huge bonfire has been burning in the front yard of W. F. Kearney here for the past three days. A huge whale, 78 feet long, drifted on the beach in front of his house last week.

Police Officer Acquitted.

Chicago, May 27.—John Collins, police chief, and Frank Comerford, police attorney under Mayor Dunne's administration, were acquitted on the charge of using their offices for political purposes in Dunne's campaign for reelection.

Shoots Despoiler of Home.

San Francisco, May 26.—Dominico Casella, a restaurateur, was arrested for firing four shots at Rasselio Barell whom he found in his home when he returned unexpectedly this morning.

Carrigan Quits Racing.

New York, May 27.—Tired of the anti-racing agitation, Edward Carrigan, the famous master of Hawthorne, announces he will sell his thoroughbreds and quit the game.

Dynamite Gets Three.

Seattle, May 27.—Three men were killed with dynamite, 30 miles from North Bend, Wash. The deputy coroner has gone to investigate. It is supposed they are railroad workmen.

Invite All Parties.

Washington, May 27.—Leaders of the republican, democratic, prohibition, socialist and populist parties have been invited to address the National Progressive convention of colored people of Dayton, O., next month.

Black and Yellow Perils.

Washington, May 26.—U. P. Sladen of Texas, severely arraigned the Pacific coast for advocating the education of four Filipinos at West Point.

Fleet Goes to Tacoma.

Seattle, Wash., May 27.—The battleship fleet sailed for Tacoma this morning in single formation. All the men on shore were ordered to the ships at 1 o'clock this morning.

Wheeler for President.

Modesto, Cal., May 27.—Fred W. Wheeler of Los Angeles, will be California's candidate for the prohibition nomination for president.

OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR SOLDIER DEAD

For those who wish to help in honoring the memory of Pendleton's soldier dead a subscription has been started for the purpose of raising money with which to purchase flowers and those interested are asked to add their names to the list by tomorrow night.

The subscription was started a week or more ago by Leon Cohen and D. B. Costuma, and it is now being circulated by members of company L. The members of the company have subscribed \$10 towards the fund and the entire company will be ordered out to participate in the service next Sunday morning.

This afternoon the flower subscription paper was circulated to some extent and it is now at the Fraser book store. Those who wish to subscribe are asked to give their subscriptions to Mr. Frazier between this time and tomorrow evening.

The fund being raised is for the purchase of flowers from Portland and local people are also asked to contribute all the flowers possible. The G. A. R. members have arranged to have the floral offerings left at the Rader furniture store and they will be taken from that place to the cemetery Sunday morning.

Up to this time the exact time for the service Sunday has not been decided upon but the procession will probably leave the city for the cemetery at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

DYNAMITERS MAY BE ARRESTED

Three Houses Belonging to Former Supervisor Gallagher Blown Up.

POLICE ALLEGE THEY HAVE EVIDENCE OF PLOT

Officers Declare They Will Expose Crime of Surprising Character Laid By Enemies of Man Who Turned State's Evidence in Recent Graft Prosecutions in San Francisco—Second Attack on the Man, Residence Having Been Dynamited in April—Watchman Was Sitting in Tool Shed When Explosion Occurred.

Oakland, Calif., May 27.—Arrests are expected today as a result of the dynamiting of the three unoccupied houses owned by former Supervisor Gallagher, who turned state's evidence in the graft trials, last night.

It is intimated that the police have information that may lead to the exposure of a plot of surprising character, laid against Gallagher by his enemies.

The explosion last night was the second attack on Gallaghers, his residence being wrecked with dynamite, April 22.

The police have a description of a suspect whom they expect to capture with little trouble.

Frank McVaughan, the watchman, was sitting in a tool shed when the explosion occurred. He says he made an inspection ten minutes before the explosion and saw nothing suspicious.

Gallagher had a deal pending to sell the houses today for \$25,000.

JAPS ERECT MONUMENT TO BRAVE OPPONENTS.

Tokio, May 27.—General Baron Nogi was designated today as the chief official to be present at the unveiling of the Russian memorial monument at Port Arthur. It was erected by the Japanese as a tribute to the gallant Russian defenders during the siege.

NORTH CAROLINA IS DRY.

Raleigh, N. C., May 27.—After January next year, there will be no liquor manufactured or sold in this state. The prohibitionists won the election by 40,000 majority.

Missouri Pen Pushers.

Excelsior Springs, Mo., May 27.—Editors and publishers of daily and weekly newspapers in cities and towns all over the state are present at the annual meeting of the Missouri Press association, which convened here today.

Opium Conference.

Washington, May 27.—It was announced today that this government will be represented at the international conference on the suppression of the opium traffic in Shanghai, China, early in 1909.

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ENGINEER DIES WITH HAND ON THE THROTTLE

Chicago, May 27.—For miles the Chicago-Frisco flyer on the C. M. & St. Paul, broke along, breaking speed records last night, with a dead end at the throttle.

Aged Albert Cauvin's life had departed while the man was at his post. The fireman was unaware of it until the train dashed across a dangerous maze of tracks at Byron, Ill., with unabated speed. He stopped the train just in time to save the lives of the passengers.

FUNSTON SAYS BUWALDA IS LUCKY MAN.

Soldier Who Got Three Years in Prison for Shaking Hands With Emma Goldman Might Have Been Given 15.

Portland, Ore., May 27.—"Private Buwalda is fortunate he did not have to serve 15 years in prison," said General Funston this morning in speaking of the private in company A of the United States engineers, who was sentenced to three years in prison for shaking hands with Emma Goldman.

Funston is en route to Idaho on personal business.

"I felt sorry for the man," he continued, "but I did all I could when I reduced the penalty to three years. Miss Goldman is a dangerous woman, her influence with weak people being especially bad. She caused Buwalda to commit the worst crime an American soldier could."

Emma Defends Buwalda.

Portland, Ore., May 27.—"General Funston is a good, upright citizen. He goes to church on Sunday and spends the rest of the week planning the best way to kill men," declared Emma Goldman last night. The woman anarchist defended Private Buwalda, who was jailed for shaking hands with her, saying he simply congratulated her on the way she presented her arguments.

CHECK ARTIST MAKES KILLING

GETS \$170 FOR WORTHLESS PAPER AT FIRST NATIONAL.

Louis Mettle Tries to Overdo a Good Thing and Is Detected—Attempting to Pass Second Bogus Check for \$150 at Clothing Store He Comes to Grief—Boards Train for the East, But Is Taken Off at La Grande.

Passing a bogus check for \$170 on the First National bank, Louis Mettle, a young man of 18, bought a ticket for Detroit, Mich., last evening, but is now under arrest at La Grande charged with a crime that seemingly means the penitentiary for him.

The circumstances surrounding the bogus work done by Young Mettle are so peculiar that he is almost entitled to rank as the smoothest forger that ever operated in the city.

Yesterday afternoon the young man appeared at the First National bank with a check for \$170, drawn in favor of himself and signed by E. B. Gamble. The check was taken by J. T. Lambirth, acting teller, and the signature was so close to that of the real Mr. Gamble, who has an account in the bank, that the forgery was not detected at once.

Throws Off Suspicion.

But before the check was taken the young man was questioned closely and he made a showing that disarmed the bank people of any suspicion.

A little later in the afternoon Mettle passed another check for \$150 upon P. Moses, of the Workingmen's clothing store. The check given him was signed with the name of F. B. Chapman. However, before giving the young man the money on the check, Mr. Moses took the check to the bank for verification. It was then discovered that he was a swindler and the officers were notified of the case.

Leaves for the East.

In the meantime Mettle had purchased a ticket for Detroit and left on train No. 2 last evening. Messages were then hastily sent out from the sheriff's office asking the officers at La Grande to apprehend Mettle, and the conductor of No. 2 was also notified. On the arrival of the train in La Grande last evening the lad was arrested without difficulty and he is now awaiting an officer from this place. Sheriff Taylor will go over after him this evening.

The Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway has filed a mortgage in Portland in favor of the Central Trust company of New York, to cover a bond issue of not to exceed \$100,000,000. The money is to be used in construction and equipment of the road and the mortgage covers all the property owned by the company between Portland and Spokane.

HUNDREDS SEE GATES OPENED

Six Coaches Carry Pendleton People to Hermiston to Witness Formal Opening.

WEATHER GOOD AND EXCURSION IS SUCCESS

Enthusiastic Crowd Headed by Eagles Band Goes Down from Pendleton to Participate in Great Event for West End of County—Candidates Conspicuous by Their Large Numbers—H. M. Cake, Candidate for United States Senator, in the Party—Conditions for Day Could Not Have Been Better.

With six coaches filled with representative local people and the band, Pendleton went down to see the formal opening of the East Umatilla project today and to celebrate with the west end over that event.

It was an enthusiastic crowd that gathered at the depot at 8 o'clock this morning. It comprised the leading business and professional men of the city, numerous ladies and many candidates. Aside from the local office-seekers, a conspicuous figure was that of H. M. Cake, candidate for senator.

With the bright weather prevailing this morning everything indicated a pleasant day and it is doubtful if conditions could have been better for the opening of the project.

SOLDIER SAILORS RISK LIVES IN TARGET PRACTICE.

Stay on Board Ship While Comrades Fire Broadshots Into Her Hull.

Thimble Shoal, in Lower Chesapeake Bay (by wireless to Fortress Monroe, May 27.—Disregarding the danger and apparently anxious to experience open war at sea, Commander Quimby, Lieutenant Tausig and 20 men remained on the Monitor Florida today while 12-inch shells were hurled at the ship from the guns of the monitor Arkansas, anchored 300 yards off, with the broadside battery in full play on the target ship.

The plans were suddenly changed this morning when Quimby and the men volunteered to remain on the Florida. They did not take their place in the turrets, where it would be necessary to manipulate the guns in case of firing, but remained just behind the turrets while the projectiles were flying. They were severely jolted whenever the projectiles struck.

Harry Denbaugh, commander of the Arkansas, says the first shot fired at the screen target over the Florida pierced the center.

Then the firing on the ship began, the shells hammering the plates.

The glasses failed to show that the Florida was crippled by the bombardment, but experts say the projectiles are having a terrific effect. No signal of distress has been seen from the men aboard the Florida, the men showing no signs of being sorry for their daredevil experience.

After the bombardment of the hull the guns were turned against the experimental mast aft of the Florida's two turrets, where dummies had been placed. Dummies were also placed on the main turret to show the effect of the heavy shells.

The shots took quick effect on the mast. The men in the turrets would have been killed the second shot.

Rear Admiral Dies.

Washington, May 27.—The navy department received the announcement of the death of Rear Admiral Schuyler Crownshield, former chief of the bureau of navigation. He died at the Philadelphia Episcopal hospital. He was relieved March 30, 1903, on his own application after 40 years in the navy.

Cleveland Strike Ends.

Cleveland, O., May 27.—Three hundred striking carmen returned to work this morning, the service rapidly becoming normal. Strikers who remained out, say the company is badly crippled, and have not given up hope of winning.

SEVENTEEN SAILORS DIE IN MID OCEAN.

Gloucester, Mass., May 27.—Seventeen sailors of the schooner Fame lost their lives today in a collision between the Fame and the steamer Boston of the Dominion Atlantic line, off the Massachusetts coast. The Fame was run down by the steamer and it was due to the suddenness that only six of the schooner's crew were saved.