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FINANCIERS FROM ALL OVER OREGON MEET IN FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

FIRST SESSION OF BANKERS THIS MORNING

Representatives of Many Institutions Gather to Discuss Money Problems.

Oregon State Bankers' Association Convenes at 10 A. M.—About Sixty Members in Attendance—Washington and Idaho Bankers Visiting—Col. J. H. Haley Welcomes Money-men—President R. W. Schmeier Makes Annual Report—Points Out Healthy Condition of Banks—Advocates Effort to Secure Protective Legislation—Thinks Postal Savings Bank Will Not Affect State Banks—Criticizes the Assessors.

On to Wenaha. It is announced by the auto committee that the start for Wenaha springs will be made from the Hotel Pendleton in the morning. All auto owners are requested to have their machines at the hotel by 8 o'clock. Machine owners not already listed by the committee are invited to participate in the trip. The smoker which is to be held in the Eagles-Woodman hall this evening will be open to local business men as well as to those attending the bankers' convention.

With bankers present from every section of the state, the Oregon State Bankers' association was convened in fifth annual convention in the Eagles-Woodman building in this city at 10 o'clock, President R. W. Schmeier, who is also president of the United States National bank of Portland, called the session to order. Then with the members of the convention standing, President W. H. Bleakney of the Pendleton Junior college, pronounced the invocation and the session was on. In his usual happy manner, Col. J. H. Haley welcomed the visitors to Pendleton. He recalled the days when Pendleton was so small that it little dreamed that one day there would be gathered here the representative financial men of the state. He recalled the establishment of the first bank in this city, which then held sway in a small wooden building and was equipped with one small iron safe. He then pointed out the wonderful development which the city and county had undergone and said that it was with much pride that the bankers were welcomed to Pendleton. N. U. Carpenter of the Portland Trust company, responded to the address of welcome, expressing the appreciation of the visitors for the sincere manner in which they had been welcomed by the local bankers, and the citizens of Pendleton in general. The annual address of President Schmeier was listened to with much interest after which the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read. These both showed that the association was in a very healthy condition, both as to membership and interest, as well as financially. According to the report of Secretary J. L. Hartman of the Hartman & Thompson company of Portland, the membership has increased during the past year from 145 to 171 and more than 75 per cent of the banks of the state are now represented in the membership.

Another interesting feature of the secretary's report was the showing that during the past year there have been more cases calling for the attention of the detective department of the association than during the former four years of the organization's history. He attributed this to the Seattle fair, giving it as his opinion that crooks of all kinds who were attracted to the fair remained in the

FRISCO WHITE SLAVE TRADE IS APPALLING.

San Francisco, Cal., June 24.—A special committee of the grand jury is preparing to report to the jury that the white slave traffic is appalling. It is alleged that not only are women enslaved in Chinatown but that many women and girls of this city have fallen victims to an organized band of men and women. It is announced that the police will be asked to cooperate in breaking up the traffic. It is believed this announcement is made to mask the real movements of the jury and that indictments will really soon be returned.

northwest to operate during the succeeding months. The appointment of the committee was the next order of business, but President Schmeier said this would be left until later and called E. T. Colman, president of the Exchange National bank of Spokane. The Spokane banker then read a very interesting paper on "Limitations and Liability of Bank Directors."

The feature of this afternoon's session is the "five-minute report by counties on local conditions." These were headed by George N. O'Brien, cashier of the American National bank of Baker City; C. A. Dobell, cashier Benton County National bank, Corvallis, and C. R. Higgins, assistant cashier of the Astoria National bank. Several others are due to speak before the convention adjourns for the day.

The feature of the morning session was undoubtedly the annual report of the President which appears in full below:

Annual Report of President. It gives me great pleasure to meet you again and to have the honor to preside over such a splendid gathering of bankers.

It is with much regret that I terminate my work as an officer of this association, however, you will always find me in the ranks ready and willing at all times to work for the good of the association. Owing to the short time allowed us for our business meeting, I have made my report as brief as possible and will confine myself to a review of the work accomplished by our association during the past year.

General Conditions. The entire banking interests of our state were never in a more healthy and satisfactory condition, and with honest and conservative management, backed by the wonderful resources of the state of Oregon, there is no reason why any bank should become insolvent and the record of our state in this respect has been a gratifying one, not a failure having been reported during the past year.

At the last call of the comptroller of the currency, we had in Oregon 144 state banks and bankers with deposits of \$52,839,969.88, and 72 national banks with deposits of \$47,777,500, making a grand total of \$100,617,469.39, which shows a large increase of deposits over the same period in the year 1909.

Railroad development in the state of Oregon has just begun and with it will come the development of the material resources of our state, rapid increase in population, the building of villages, towns and cities, all of which will demand banking institutions sufficient to meet the necessities of the people. The prospects for the state of Oregon were never better.

American Institute in Banking.

I desire to call your special attention to the work of the American Institute of Banking, an organization with which most of us are more or less familiar and which is doing good work in educating and increasing the efficiency of bank clerks. This organization is entitled to and should receive the moral and financial support of all the banking institutions of the state. There is but one chapter in Oregon, Portland chapter, with a membership of 158. Other chapters should be organized in the smaller cities and towns and I hope that the members of this association will encourage and assist the boys in every way possible.

Membership.

We have been very successful in securing new members during the past year and we now have a membership of 162 and five non-resident members. When elected as your president at your last meeting, I said that I would not be satisfied until every bank in the state of Oregon was a member of our association and while we have grown, I will not be satisfied until every bank has become a member. And right here I want to impress upon you the necessity of every member of our association taking it upon himself to make an effort to bring all banks not members

of the association into the fold for I am sure that if the social, educational and protective features of our association were impressed upon them by our members, no trouble would be had in securing their applications for membership.

Legislative Committee.

Owing to the fact that the past year has been without legislative enactment in our state, no committee was named by your president. However, the legislature of this state meets in January, 1911, and I would recommend and suggest that a legislative committee be appointed by the incoming president and an effort made to secure the passage of laws recommended by the American Bankers' association, among which the following, to my mind, are the most important:

- 1. An act to punish the making of false statements to obtain property or credit.
2. An act defining the crime of burglary with explosives and providing the punishment therefor.
3. An act covering the payment of

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O. E. HARPER DIES FROM HIS INJURIES

CREAMERY MANAGER COULD NOT RECOVER

Man Injured in Accident Yesterday Never Recovered Consciousness—Has Been Resident of Pendleton for Past Ten Years.

O. E. Harper, president and manager of the Pendleton creamery, died last night at St. Anthony's hospital as a result of the injuries received in the accident at the local plant, yesterday morning. He passed away without ever having regained consciousness.

Oliver Eugene Harper was born in Owatonna, Minn., August 25, 1869, and was therefore, nearly 44 years of age. When a mere boy he accompanied his parents to South Dakota and later came to California. For the past ten years he has been a resident of Pendleton and eastern Oregon. He was united in marriage October 3, 1895, to Miss Flora Camp, of San Jacinto, Calif., and in addition to his wife is survived by two daughters, Olive and Lulah, a father, mother, two brothers and two sisters. His aged parents reside here, while his brother, C. L. Harper, and his sisters, Mrs. Ella Gamble and Mrs. Emma Jones, live in South Dakota. His brother, A. W. Harper, who recently visited here, resides in Minnesota.

Two years ago the deceased became a member of the First Presbyterian church and has been an active member of that organization since that time. He was also a loyal member of the order of Knights of Pythias.

In speaking of the sad accident this morning, a friend said: "By his death, his wife loses a kind and loving husband, his daughters an affectionate father; his parents, brothers and sisters, a noble, loving son and brother; the community one of her best citizens and a man one was proud to take by the hand and call a friend."

The funeral arrangements will not be completed until eastern relatives, who are now en route to Pendleton, arrive, but interment will probably take place Sunday.

Editors to Cruise.

St. Paul, Minn., June 24.—Minnesota editors are gathering today for their annual outing, which will begin tomorrow, when the party leaves this city for Duluth. There the gull pushers will board a vessel which will take them to Georgian Bay and back.

THE MYSTERY DEEPENS--TWO PRINGLES COMPLICATES CASE

It develops that there is very much of a mixup regarding Pringle, the missing Portland man, for whom relatives have been searching this city, as well as Portland and the intervening country. It seems that the Pringle who sent a message from Pendleton to his wife in Portland, the night of June 9, was not the man who is missing but was Col. R. M. Pringle, supervisor of engineers in the Indian service.

Col. Pringle had been at the Indian agency for two or three weeks, installing a system of lights and before leaving for his home in Portland sent a message to his wife. A few hours later he boarded the train, in

DETECTIVE SHOT YOUTH DOWN IN COLD BLOOD

Spokane, Wash., June 24.—Joe Curry, who was shot through the leg by Detective Downy Wednesday night, has a fair chance of recovery. Pending an investigation the officer has been suspended. A dozen witnesses say he shot the 20-year-old youth deliberately. Downy says his foot slipped and his gun was accidentally discharged. The men had an altercation in a saloon when Curry was ordered to move on by Downy who was in civilian's clothes, which order he refused to obey. Then Curry ran and the shooting followed.

Oldfield Again Breaks Record.

St. Paul, June 23.—Erney Oldfield in his 200 horsepower Benz again lowered the mile automobile record for a circular track at the Twin City aviation met this afternoon. Oldfield drove the mile in 49 2-5 seconds, which is two-fifths of a second better than the record he made yesterday afternoon and 1 2-5 seconds better than the time made by Ralph DePalma on the same track one year ago.

Harvard Commencement.

Cambridge, Mass., June 24.—Commencement week at Harvard was inaugurated today with the class day exercises. Diplomas and degrees will be conferred next Wednesday, when former President Roosevelt is expected to be here. The class of 1885 is in charge of the program.

EX-GOVERNOR OF WASHINGTON DIES

JOHN MCGRAW PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT

Funeral Held This Afternoon—Body Cremated—Dead Man Was Prominent Figure in Washington Politics—Rise from Poverty Was Phenomenal.

Seattle, June 24.—The funeral of John McGraw, former governor of Washington, who died last night following a hard fight against death, was held this afternoon, the body being cremated. A limited number of friends and relatives attended by request. The dead man was wealthy. He came to Seattle broke, but rapidly climbed from a position of hotel clerk to governor in 14 years.

John Harte McGraw was born at Barker plantation, Penobscot county, Maine, October, 1850. When he was a little more than two years old his father was drowned, and when he was 14 he left home because of a disagreement with his step-father. In 1876 he came west, arriving at San Francisco in July and remaining there until December when he came north to Seattle. While in San Francisco he worked as a horse car driver.

For several months after his arrival on Puget Sound he was a clerk in a local hotel, and finally purchased a small establishment, which he conducted until 1879, when the building was destroyed by fire. In quick succession he secured a position on the Seattle police force, was elected town marshal and was made chief of police and in 1882 was elected sheriff of King county. He was twice elected to succeed himself.

In 1892 he was elected governor of Washington, serving from 1893 to 1897. At the expiration of his term he retired to private life, dividing his attention between his law practice, banking affairs and business interests in Alaska.

For twenty years Mr. McGraw was probably the best known man in Seattle. He was vice president of the Alaska-Yukon Pacific exposition, president of the chamber of commerce for several terms, and at the time of his death was president of the Rainier club. His personal bravery was displayed in suppressing the anti-Chinese riots in 1885 in Seattle and in his vigorous advocacy of the gold standard in 1896 when he stood almost alone among Washington politicians.

BOND ISSUES GREAT ABUSE

Attorney General Wickersham Says Government Should Control R. R. Bond Issues.

PROSECUTION OF PACKING COMPANIES WILL CONTINUE

Attorney General Addresses Illinois Bar Association—Advocates Federal Control of Railroad Stock and Bond Issues—Present Practice He Says is Demoralizing—Declares Plans in Indictments Will Not Stop Prosecution of Packing Companies.

Chicago, Ill., June 24.—Federal regulation and control of railroad stock and bond issues was advocated by Attorney General Wickersham addressing the Illinois Bar association today. He argued the government is empowered constitutionally to exercise such control. He said: "Economists and courts condemn the reckless issue of railroad stock and bonds which are certainly as demoralizing as lotteries. The record of railroad receiverships for the last 20 years, testifies to the effect such issues have upon the ability of the railroads to perform their functions. Watered stock and bonus stock which have been issued is the greatest abuse connected with the management of corporations."

Wickersham today declared that the government prosecution of various indicted packing companies will continue despite the court ruling that the indictments are faulty. Wickersham declined to discuss the matter regarding the causes for the faulty indictments. He intimated the packers will be prosecuted as individuals instead of under joint indictments by the grand jury.

GOLDEN RULE CHIEF OF CLEVELAND IS ACQUITTED

Cleveland, June 23.—Chief of Police Fred Kohler, known throughout the country as the golden rule chief and lauded by Colonel Roosevelt as the nation's police executive was acquitted today of charges of gross immorality and habitual drunkenness by the civil service commission before whom he has been on trial. An hour after his acquittal he was reinstated as chief by Mayor Baehr, who had suspended him when the charges were filed. The trial lasted nearly two weeks and about two hundred witnesses were examined. Early in the proceedings, the prosecution dropped 13 of the original 23 charges on account of lack of evidence. In its decision, the commission exculpated Chief Kohler unreservedly.

KITCHENER IS 60 YEARS OLD; MAY BE PROMOTED

London, June 24.—Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum, who is today celebrating his sixtieth birthday, has resigned the Mediterranean command, to which he was appointed last August, succeeding the Duke of Connaught as inspector general of the Mediterranean forces. Since Kitchener returned from his world tour, during the course of which he visited the United States, there has been much agitation to have him appointed to a more important position.

DIRIGIBLE MAKES TRIP WITH FORTY PASSENGERS

Dusseldorf, Germany, June 24.—The dirigible Deutschland today made the first purely commercial trip in the history of the world when it left here for Friederichshafen with 20 passengers. After three hours it traveled 100 miles. Friederichshafen will be reached tomorrow as it will travel at night.

Insurgents Win Again.

Bluefields, June 24.—General Mena commanding the main insurgent force has routed the Madrid troops and occupied Acopya, the strategic position for attack on Managua. Acopya will be used by the revolutionists as a base for a campaign against the Nicaraguan capital according to today's reports. Interior reports show the battle's tide has turned in favor of the insurgents again.

Many Killed in Wreck.

Mexico, June 24.—Thirty-seven persons were killed and 50 severely injured today when a troop train was wrecked in the state of Colima. Four cars broke away on a downgrade and pitched over an embankment, the occupants being crushed to death.

Christian Women Meet.

Seattle, Wash., June 24.—North Beach, Wash., is the Mecca today of hundreds of religious workers who will take part in the northwest conference of the Young Women's Christian association during the next ten days.

CHARLTON WILL FIGHT FOR LIFE

Self-Confessed Murderer Will Be Defended by Best Attorneys in the Land.

FATHER OF SLAYER SAYS HIS SON IS INSANE

Italian Government Will Have to Fight Battle in American Courts—Before Extradition Papers Will Be Granted—Charlton Says He Still Loves Wife He Murdered—Attorneys Say He Can Only Be Convicted of Manslaughter in Italy.

Hoboken, June 24.—A hard legal battle will be fought in the American courts against the return of Charlton to Italy to stand trial for the confessed murder of his wife, whose body was thrown into Lake Como. The powerful relatives of Charlton have already set machinery in motion to prevent extradition, eminent lawyers have been employed by his father, Judge Charlton. The father says his son is insane and will try to prevent his extradition on this ground. Captain Scott, brother of the woman, says he is not insane. Attorney Clarke, Charlton's representative, has forbade all interviews any more. Alienists will examine the slayer.

Charlton says he still loves his wife and treasures the rings and jewels she wore, yet he calmly discusses the murder and his attempt to hide the crime. Attorneys say Charlton can not be convicted on anything but manslaughter in the Italian courts, the penalty for which is six years' imprisonment. As Charlton has tuberculosis this is the same as death. The Italian government will use every effort to secure extradition.

Charged With Murder.

Como, Italy, June 24.—Prosecutor Guglin today signed an affidavit charging Charlton with murder. Italy will demand the extradition of Charlton.

BRITISH AGENT IN EGYPT TO BE OUSTED

Manchester, Eng., June 24.—The Manchester Guardian today carries a story tending to confirm the dispatches recently carried by the United Press from London to the effect that Sir Eldon Gorst, British agent in Egypt, will be recalled. It says: "We have good authority for the statement that the foreign office has decided to recall Gorst and appoint Sir Arthur Hardings, present minister to Belgium, to succeed him. Colonel Roosevelt is not responsible for the reported change, it is said, as Gorst is reported to have resigned before Roosevelt spoke at Guild hall."

MEXICO BATHING DAY MAY BRING CRISIS

El Paso, June 24.—San Juan Day, one of the greatest religious days in the Mexican calendar, was the cause of unusual activities on the part of Mexican authorities today. The principal ceremonies attending the day is a general bathing of religious devotees in rivers and lakes. Revolutionary leaders predicted today will witness "Mexico in a Fiery Bath." This has caused the government to double police and rurales. Everywhere the people congregate an uprising is feared. The nearness to election gave

Crazy With the Heat.

St. Louis, June 24.—Two men and two women driven insane by heat at Illinois and one death by prostration in eastern St. Louis is the record today.

Montreal Observes Day.

Montreal, June 24.—French-Canadians of Montreal and throughout the province of Quebec today observed the birthday of their patron saint, St. John the Baptist. Celebrations were held in nearly all the towns and cities by the St. Jean Baptiste society.

TAFT SAYS PARTY HAS FULFILLED PLEDGES.

Cincinnati, June 24.—President Taft in a signed statement received by the Times-Star, his brother's newspaper, expresses great satisfaction with the accomplishments of the present session of congress, and declares all of his party pledges have been fulfilled. "I am elated at the legislation which has been enacted by this congress. It has fulfilled the pledges and it is a great satisfaction that we have accomplished so much. The republican party has a good record to take before the people."