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## DASTARDLY ASSAULT AND ATTEMPTED LOCAL ROBBERY

### W. V. Dewald, the Groceryman, Beat Over Head with Revolvers by Thugs who were Caught

A bold and dastardly assault and an unsuccessful attempt at robbery occurred in Cottage Grove at a little after 8 o'clock Monday evening. W. V. Dewald's grocery store, which stands apart from other buildings just east of the Southern Pacific depot, was the scene of this bold crime which occurred just as Mr. Dewald was in the act of closing his place of business for the night. While in the act of locking his door, a stranger appeared outside and thinking a belated customer had called, Mr. Dewald reopened the door and stepped over to the counter. The stranger walked in, approached Mr. Dewald and pointing a revolver at him demanded his money and told him to be quick about handing it over. Mr. DeWald, though well advanced in years, grappled with the thug, who dealt the merchant a stunning blow on the side of the head with his revolver, cutting a deep and painful gash which bled profusely. The old gentleman renewed his fight, whereupon a second thug appeared on the scene and dealt him another blow on the head with his gun. Just then Mrs. Dewald appeared in the store from their apartments in the rear of the builcing and screamed. The smaller robber took to his heels, but the larger one attempted to drag Mr. Dewald from his store, but being unable to do so, finally beat a hasty retreat.

CAPTURE OF THE THUGS.

The officers were at once notified of the assault and attempted robbery and two posses were quickly organized, one headed by Green Pitcher going north to guard the wagon road and railroad at King's crossing, the other composed of Marshal Frank Snodgrass, Fred Bartels, Jas. Potts and Frank Hickey, going south to Divide to guard the railroad and wagon road.

ROBBERS AMBUSHED.

A little after midnight two lone men were observed approaching quietly up the wagon road and when within a short distance of the officers laying in wait, they were requested by Fred Bartels to "halt and hold up their hands." The short young man obeyed and gave up his gun, but the tall, older fellow fired at the officers and made a break, but encountered Marshal Snodgrass a few paces up the road, and fired a second shot at him. Snodgrass responded with a charge of shot from his Winchester pump gun, but missed his mark. The thug fired a third shot and the marshal taking deliberate aim at the flash of the robber's pistol fired a second charge of coarse shot, this time with the effect of silencing the robber's gun. Not knowing the thug had fallen, Snodgrass waited a moment for the rest of the boys to come up with their man, when Potts remarked that he "believed he could take down the road and catch the other fellow." Just then a husky voice was heard to exclaim: "Well, are you fellows going to let a man lie here and bleed to death." Stepping to the side of the road the officers found their second man sitting up holding his arm and suffering from 21 shot punctures in his arm and body. He was a sullen, desperate appearing fellow and was quickly disarmed and brought to town with his companion. The wounded man was turned over to the local physicians who began probing for the shot in his anatomy, but succeeded in removing but one.

He was taken to Hotel Thompson and cared for while the other fellow was landed in jail and this morning the wounded man went to the hotel table and ate a hearty breakfast seeming to be suffering little from his numerous wounds.

Both men answer perfectly to the discription given by Mr. Dewald of his assailants.

MAY BE HAMILTON.

It is said that the wounded man answers almost perfectly the discription of the man Hamilton wanted in Lake county for the murder of a ranchman in that county some months ago and for whose arrest and conviction a reward of $5000 is offered. That the fellow is a bad one is evident from the vile language used when the physicians were dressing his wounds at which time he remarked "it was a pity the shot did not penetrate my head instead of my arm and body." And that he was "all in" any way.

CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

It was observed that a large piece was broken out of the handle of the big Colts revolver taken from the wounded robber when he was captured, and after a brief search today, Marshal Snodgrass found the missing part of the re-

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## SENATOR T. P. GORE, THE GREAT BLIND ORATOR, PLEASED COTTAGE GROVE CROWD

### Opened Campaign at this Place Saturday--Was Introduced by State Senator M. A. Miller, of Linn County. An Able and an Entertaining Speaker.

The large armory hall was well filled with both ladies and gentlemen Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the political address delivered by Oklahoma's celebrated blind orator, United States Senator Thos. P. Gore, the speaking being the formal opening of the Democratic campaign in South Lane. Senator M. A. Miller of Linn county, accompaied Senator Gore to this city and made a brief introductory address, having been introduced by Hon. R. M. Veatch of this city. Senator Miller in concluding his remarks introduced Senator Gore.

The speaker was frequently applauded, and especially did the great audience break forth in laughter at the humor and wit with which the lengthy address was interspersed. The speech was notably good-natured. Mr. Bryan was lauded, the platform upon which he is running was praised, and its principal planks explained from the partisan point of view.

Senator Gore avoided any reference to the sensational charges that have been published in the newspapers relating to Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, who was also treasurer of the Democratic National committee.

He assailed the Republican candidates, attacked the Chicago platform and charged up to the Republican administration everything bad that has happened in recent years. Put the Democrats in power, he said, and all evils will be remedied, including bank failures and panics, which, he said, would be prevented by the application of Bryan's bank deposit guarantee system.

"Now my friends, I am pleased today because I am reliably informed that there are some Republican friend here. I repeat, I am pleased with their presence. I really like a few of them—just a few. The Republicans of Oregon are all right, but there's too many of them—that's all. But I take it that they are the very best of Republicans, for they have given you the two great measures of the people—the initiative and referendum, and they are going to send a good Democrat to the Senate, for they are very sensible. Yes, the Republicans are just as sensible as we are, but of course, they don't act like it.

"Now, my friends, the Republican party has done much for this country; it is true that it struck the shackles from the slaves and made this indeed, as well as in name, the land of the free; but I want to tell you that the Republican party of today is not the Republican party of the long ago. The organizers of that party forsook it before they died and the leaders of it today are worshiping before strange gods. The Democracy is the only party at this hour that really stands for the principles of liberty and equal rights for all; the only party which still holds that all men are created equal; the only party which holds out hope for the toilers. Judge Taft, the Republican nominee, is the proven enemy of the man that toils, as he is avowed opponent of constitutional government. And, right here, I want to say that I favor the election of Senators by the direct vote of the people. (Cheers.) A long time ago Alexander Hamilton advocated the election of Senators for life, and say, that used to be the most horrible thing in my mind, but since I got that little bob-tailed title myself, I am coming to think it not a bad idea at all. (Laughter.) But I hope you won't tell any one that I said this, for I don't want it to get down into Oklahoma.

About the middle of the address the speaker's voice became husky and attorney J. S. Medley sliced a lemon and gave it to him whereupon the Senator remarked, "this is one time I appreciate being handed a lemon."

The meeting throughout was characterized by enthusiasm, and Senator Gore was pronounced one of the most pleasing and entertaining political speakers to visit this city.

ABOUT READY TO WALK.

—Brinkerhoff in Cleveland Leader.

A company has been organized at Roseburg to purchase all available fruit lands in that county, cut them up into 10-acre tracts and dispose of them to eastern people who are daily arriving in search of permanent homes.

## ASSIGNMENT OF METHODIST CONFERENCE HELD AT SALEM

### Cottage Grove the Place Selected for Holding the Next Annual District Conference

The big annual conference of the M. E. church closed at Salem Monday, the attendance being large and the session a most interesting one.

The next annual conference will be held at Cottage Grove, the first time in its history that it will have been held in a city of this size. This is a big feather for Cottage Grove and we should begin planning at once, a grand reception, for the bishops, elders and scores of ministers who will visit this city next September, about 150 of whom will be entertained locally, while as many more will pay their own expenses.

At a late hour Monday night the cabinet of the Methodist conference, concluded its labors of arranging the assignments of pastors. The appointments for the Eugene district are as follows:

M. C. Wire, district superintendent; Albany, W. S. Gordon; Bandon, R. H. Allen; Brownsville, T. L. Jones; Coburg and Harrisburg, Wm. Erskine; Coquill, W. J. Luscombe; Corvallis, D. H. Leech; Cottage Grove, S. M. Nickle; Crawfordsville, ———; Creswell, J. L. Beatty; Dallas, M. P. Dixon; Drain, W. R. Browne; Elkton, Supt. Levy Day; Eugene, D. H. Trimble; Falls City, ———; Gardiner, George Clark; Halsey, J. L. Stratford; Independence, Sanford Snyder; Irving, J. H. Skidmore; Jefferson, G. F. Round; Junction City, T. H. Downs; Lebanon, A. F. Lacy; Lorane, ———; Marshfield, H. S. Rutledge; Monroe, James B. Debord; Myrtle Point, ———; North Bend, Walter A. Ross; Shedds, G. L. Butbank; Siletz Indian mission, Supt. W. T. Pearce; Springfield, N. J. Harbit; Toledo, W. F. Rogers; Wendling and Unity, H. C. Preston; Yoncalla, George W. Ellis.

## VETERANS REUNION CONCLUDED.

Friday brought to an end the tenth annual reunion of the Lane County Veterans Association at Eugene, which in every respect, was the most successful coming together of the old soldiers in the history of the organization.

The old boys are quick to show appreciation of courtesies extended and the resolutions adopted demonstrate that they fully enjoyed their short stay in Eugene and returned home with pleasant remembrance of the three days session.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the business session of the Lane County Veterans association Friday morning, at 9 o'clock, the following officers were elected:

President, G. W. McReynolds, 18th Iowa Infantry, Cottage Grove; First vice president, J. F. Gates, 27th Iowa Infantry, Eugene; second vice-president, J. E. Butler, 27th Iowa Infantry, Junction City; Third vice, J. H. Pratt, 2nd Massachusetts cavalry, Acme; secretary C. H. Baker, 5th Pennsylvania cavalry, Eugene; treasurer, L. Gilstrap, 17th Kansas Infantry.

RESOLUTIONS.

Before closing the session the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

The Lane County Veterans' association in convention assembled unanimously adopt the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the thanks of this association are due and the same are hereby extended to the citizens of Eugene for the many kindnesses and courtesies shown to the veterans and their friends during the encampment the past week; the association feels especially thankful to the press of Eugene and generous use of their columns for the many notices relating to the encampment and a full and complete account of the registration and general proceedings and to Mayor Matlock for the heartfelt welcome given in behalf of the city to the visiting veterans; to the county commissioner for the use of the circuit court room for our camp fire Thursday evening; to Hon. S. M. Yoran, to Col. Mercer, and to L. N. Travis, for the splendid addresses delivered upon that occasion; to Mrs. Fisher for the touching recitation, so splendidly rendered; to the quartette of singers whose inspiring effort gave a splendid interest to the occasion; to the teachers and pupils of the High, the Catholic and Central schools, for the beautiful manifestation of their patriotic spirit and their hearty demonstration of loyalty and welcome extended to our aged and crippled comrades—God bless them—last but by no means the least, to the noble and patriotic Ladies of the Women's Relief Corps and the Ladies of the G. A. R., whose willing hands provided and served the splendid banquet so generously and freely furnished to all the veterans and their friends; to the citizens whose generosity in subscribing funds for the occasion, a feeling of gratitude wells in our hearts to you, one and all.

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J. H. PRATT,
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## WORK IS PROGRESSING ON SWIMMING POOL AND RINK

The frame work is all up for the new skating rink and natatorium of W. B. Cooper on Fourth street, the excavation completed for the swimming pool and by the last of the week the roof will be put on. This is one of the largest frame structures in the city being 100 by 100 feet, two story, with a swimming pool on the ground 80 by 80 feet and a skating pavilion on the second floor 100 by 100 feet. The pool will be divided through the center by sliding doors, one side being for ladies the other for gentlemen, but the pools can be thrown together by simply raising the sliding doors. There will also be a row of dressing rooms on each side the building. The skating rink floor above will either be of polished maple lumber, or two layers of the best verticle fir lumber. The place will become a great attraction and resort in this city without a doubt and will become a profitable investment for Mr. Cooper, who is building a nice home adjoining his natatorium.

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