

ARMY OFFICER WILL BE TRIED FOR MURDER



EDWARD H. MARTIN

Portland, Or., Oct. 3.—Edward Hugh Martin, the West Point graduate and ex-convict, member of a good family and drug fiend, hero to whom was awarded two medals by Congress will be brought into court next week to stand trial for the sensational murder of the pawnbroker, Nathan Wolff, on May 1 last. The crime was one of the most brutal in the police annals of Portland. The accused man apparently is confident of acquittal. The police and the district attorney's office believe, on the other hand, that they have a sure case against Martin. Certain important witnesses are said to have left Portland and it is insinuated that they may have been spirited away by Martin's relatives, who are wealthy.

The career of Martin reads like pages from a yellow-back romance. He is a son of a former New York contractor, 35 years of age, a graduate of West Point, armor expert at Sandy Hook, a graduate of Fordham college and the New York Law School. At West Point he was a favorite with his classmates. He graduated in 1898 and saw active service in Porto Rico. He received medals for saving two comrades during the war with Spain. Upon his return to the United States, his engagement was announced to Miss Katherine Travers, daughter of Francis C. Travers, a prominent member of New York society. But the marriage never took place. The young officer began trading in Wall Street, and soon he was hard pressed for funds. He was accused of using the funds of the post exchange at Fort Hancock, N. Y., of which he had charge, was tried by court martial, found guilty and dismissed from the service.

It was after his dismissal from the army in 1900 that the most spectacular part of Martin's career began. He married Gussie McKee, better known in New York as the "Poolroom Queen." Within a year he was arrested for forgery and sentenced to a year in jail. While he was serving his sentence his wife began a campaign for divorce. The proceedings were brought to an abrupt close in 1903 by the death of the "Poolroom Queen." After his release from prison Martin remained around New York for a year or so and was several times arrested on suspicion of being implicated in burglaries and other crimes. Finally he was persuaded to leave the metropolis.

Then began his career in the West, which was as checkered as the chapters he had left behind him in New York. He was suspected of the murder of his partner in the Thunder Mountain mining district in Idaho, and in 1905 was imprisoned in an Idaho jail several months on a burglary charge. The parents of Martin had obtained for him an interest in some Thunder Mountain property. It was while engaged in the development of this property that his partner disappeared. Martin was strongly suspected of murder, but as the body of his partner could not be found, he was finally released. For a while, before coming to Portland, he lingered about Lewiston, Moscow, and Wallace.

After his arrival here the former army lieutenant was employed temporarily in one of the city offices. His fondness for drink and drugs continued to bring him notoriety from time to time.

Nathan Wolff, a prosperous pawnbroker and jeweler, was murdered in his store on the night of Friday, May 1. There was evidence to show that he had fought desperately with his murderer before being beaten to death. A bloody shirt was found in an alley in the vicinity and was identified by a second hand clothing dealer as one he had sold to Martin. The police investigation therupon developed the fact that Martin had been missing from his home for several days. When he finally made his appearance at his home it was evident that he had been on a protracted cocaine and whiskey spree. He was without a shirt and his head was cut in two places, as if with an axe, and his hands and face also mud scratched. He told fantastic tales of how he had spent the several days of his absence and accounted for his wounds and bruises in various ways. Since his imprisonment in jail he has stoutly stuck to his story of innocence of the murder of Wolff. His father, apparently, has taken no interest in the case of his son, or at least it does not appear that he has provided for the defense in any way. The disappearance of the clothing dealer, Mark Drey, who sold the shirt to Martin, is believed to be without significance. He has been located in Chicago and probably will return if his evidence is deemed necessary.

WATER BONDS ARE VOTED DOWN BY PEOPLE OF EUGENE

The bond election yesterday resulted, as the Guard predicted, in defeat for the proposition to issue \$500,000 bonds with which to secure pure water from Ritchey creek. The bonds were voted down by a majority of 153 votes, but the amendment to section 199 of the city charter was carried by a majority of 79 votes. This amendment empowers the council in the sale of the water bonds of the city, when no bids are received for the purchase thereof at or above par, at the time advertised, to sell the said bonds or any part thereof at private sale at not less than their par value without readvertising.

The vote on the two questions by wards was as follows:

First Ward	
Against bonds.....	142
For bonds.....	145
Total.....	287
Majority for bonds, 3.	
For amendment.....	178
Against amendment.....	91
Total.....	269
Majority for, 87.	
Second Ward	
Against bonds.....	92
For bonds.....	59
Total.....	151
Majority against, 33.	
For amendment.....	75
Against amendment.....	69
Total.....	144
Majority for, 6.	
Third Ward	
Against bonds.....	115
For bonds.....	63
Total.....	178
Majority against, 52.	
For amendment.....	95
Against amendment.....	71
Total.....	166
Majority against, 24.	
Fourth Ward	
Against bonds.....	141
For bonds.....	65
Total.....	206
Majority against, 76.	
For amendment.....	101
Against amendment.....	91
Total.....	192
Majority for, 10.	
Total vote cast.....	822
Against the bonds.....	490
For the bonds.....	332
Majority against.....	158
For the amendment.....	425
Against the amendment.....	346
Majority for.....	79

ANTI-CIGARETTE BILL PROPOSED

Representative-elect Chas. McDonald, of Multnomah county, has drafted a bill which he will introduce at the legislature next winter, having for its purpose the utter extermination of the "coffin tack" in the Beaver state. Even substitutes for cigarettes will be placed under a ban, and any one caught selling or filling the "makin'gs" will be subject to a fine, and if the fine is not paid, then off to prison he (or she) must go. Conservative statistics show that 500,000 cigarettes are smoked daily in Oregon. These figures may reach 800,000 for the 500,000 daily consumption is based on 40 per cent of the smokers smoking only ten of the "tacks" a day, and any cigarette smoker will confess that ten "cigs" a day is a negligible allowance, and should be 20 or 30. Then again, more than half of the people who use cigarettes and many who are not voters are heavy customers. The "makin'gs" sold in this state in a week run into several thousand dollars, so the passing of the proposed reform measure of Representative McDonald would cut deeply into the profits of the tobacconists. The bill, which was prepared by an attorney and sent to Mr. McDonald for his approval, follows the Washington law. McDonald, who is now in Curry county on his vacation, has written that the draft of the measure is satisfactory to him, and promises that it will be one of the first bills introduced in the coming session. The bill does not prohibit the smoking of the "coffin tacks," but it makes the securing of the materials difficult, almost impossible, in fact. Says the bill:

"It shall be unlawful for any person, by himself, clerk, servant, employe or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to manufacture, sell or exchange, barter, dispose of or give away, or keep for sale, any cigarettes, or any paper made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking; any person for violation of the same will be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall for the first offense pay a fine of not less than \$25, nor more than \$100, and costs of prosecution, and stand committed to jail until such costs are paid; and for the second and each subsequent offense shall pay upon conviction a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, and costs of prosecution, or be imprisoned in the county jail not less than one month or more than six months, provided, that the provisions hereof shall not apply nor interfere with the sale or disposal of any person in this state to any person outside this state."—Forest Grove Times.

TWO-CENT POSTAGE BURN AT SPRINGFIELD

Washington, Oct. 1.—The agreement between the United States and England, by which the postal letter rate between the two countries is reduced from five cents to two cents an ounce, goes into effect today and Postmaster-General Meyer, who

The Kidneys

When they are weak, torpid, or stagnant, the whole system suffers. Don't neglect them at this time, but heed the warning of the aching back, the bloated face, the sallow complexion, the urinary disorder, and begin treatment at once with

Hood's Sarsaparilla

which contains the best and safest curative substances. In usual liquid form or in chocolate tablets known as Sarsatabs, 100 doses \$1. Hood's Sarsaparilla is brought about this agreement under the "restricted union" clause of the postal union, is awaiting with interest what effect, if any, this reduction in the letter rate will have upon the postal intercourse between the two countries. He does not, however, apprehend that the cut in the rate will cause a serious decrease in the postal receipts, but is confident that the lower rate will so greatly stimulate commerce and private correspondence, between the two countries that it will more than compensate for the difference in the postal rate. The proposition of reducing the letter postal rate between the United States and Great Britain has been agitated for some time by the merchants of the two countries, but the American postal authorities were not inclined to make the desired reduction, fearing that it would cause a serious cut in the postal receipts. Postmaster-General Meyer strongly favored the reduction, and was warmly supported by President Roosevelt. He approached the British postmaster general, Sidney Buxton, and met with a favorable response. The conclusion of the agreement was hastened by the action of the Universal Postal Union which, on October 1, 1907, reduced the universal international postal rate between the countries belonging



DR. ABRAHAM JACOBI. Famous New York physician who was the head of one of the sections in the congress on tuberculosis at Washington.

to the union from five cents flat for every half ounce to five cents for the first ounce and three cents for each additional ounce.

This reduction of the universal international postal rate paved the way for the "special union" between the United States and Great Britain, by demonstrating the injustice of charging the same postal rate to Great Britain, with which this country has direct steam connection, that is charged to remote countries with which the United States has no direct connection. The articles of the Universal Postal Union permit the conclusion of "restricted unions" between any two countries and this is the fourth time that the American postal authorities have availed themselves of that privilege. Such agreements, which accept the holy Bible as our standard of faith and believe the Lord's Day should be used only in His service and worship. We believe in upholding the purity of the press, and realizing the evil effects of the use of tobacco, especially by the young, we as Christian Temperance women do most earnestly protest against newspaper cuts representing young men as using this relic of American savagery in the form of pipe, cigar or cigarette, certainly adding no suggestion of strength or manliness to the young student, nor beauty, grace or any comeliness whatsoever to innocent childhood. Therefore, while feeling sincerely our obligations to the Eugene press for the many favors of the past year we beg a continuance of their co-operation in exalting the good and eradicating the evil. To the East Eugene women as hostesses, to the church board for the use of the church, to the good people who have so kindly and generously entertained us we tender our most sincere and heartfelt thanks.

Dated September 24, 1908. MRS. JENNIE HOSMER, MRS. IDA CALDWELL, MRS. JENNIE BARNARD.

NEW OFFICERS FOR IRRIGATORS SELECTED

Albuquerque, Oct. 2.—The committee on permanent organization of the irrigation congress presented its report today making nominations as follows: President, George I. Barstow, of Texas; vice president, H. D. Loveland, of San Francisco; second vice president, I. D. Donnell, of Montana; secretary, B. A. Fowler, of Arizona. The committee recommends the creation of an assistant secretary and proposes the name of McQueen Gray, of New Mexico, for that office. The committee on resolutions is expected to report this afternoon. The indications are that Spokane will be the next place of meeting.

SCHAFFER IS MEMBER OF NEW COMMISSION

Governor Chamberlain this morning appointed the following to act as a geographic commission of Oregon: Professor J. B. Hornes, of the Oregon Agricultural College; Professor Jos. Schaffer, of the University of Oregon; and Will G. Steel, of Portland. They are to co-operate with the United States geographic board, and select names for the lakes, streams, valleys and mountains of Oregon, to prevent the using of inappropriate names, and to use names that will perpetuate the Indian and early pioneer times.—Salem Journal.

CHARLES H. BAKER DIES SUDDENLY FROM APOPLEXY

(From Friday's Daily Guard.) Charles H. Baker, the well-known civil war veteran and former Lane county legislator, died suddenly at his home on West Eighth street, just outside the city limits, this morning about 10 o'clock. Last Saturday he suffered a slight stroke of apoplexy, but had partially recovered from it, being able to be up and around the house, although he was not well enough to go out. This morning he felt the attack coming on again and lay down on the bed, but before assistance could be secured he passed away. A physician was immediately sent, but when he arrived it was found that life was extinct.

Mr. Baker was one of the best known and most popular civil war veterans in Lane county. He was a member of J. W. Geary post, G. A. R., of this city, and always took a prominent part in its affairs. He was especially active in the reunions of the Lane County Veterans' Association, and was noticeably prominent in the reunion held here only last week. He was a former member of the Oregon legislature from Lane county, and during his term of office he did splendid work for the county, as well as for the state at large. Before coming to Oregon he was a conductor on one of the Eastern railroads. Mr. Baker was aged 64 years, having been born in Pennsylvania in 1844. He entered the army service on August 20, 1861, and enlisted in Company I, Fifth Pennsylvania cavalry. He was mustered out on August 20, 1865. He joined J. W. Geary Post, G. A. R., of this city, on November 28, 1898.

REPORT OF W. C. T. U. COUNTY CONVENTION

(By Mrs. Josephine Hull, Press Correspondent.) The 17th annual convention of the Lane County W. C. T. U. met in the little church in East Eugene at 2 p. m. September 23. Mrs. Eva Wheeler of Cottage Grove, the county president, presided with her usual grace, and the state president, Mrs. Henrietta Brown, of Albany, was there with her words of encouragement and helpful suggestions. Nine unions were represented, one only a few months old, being quite a prosperous babe.

Mrs. Wheeler gave a fine annual address at Wednesday afternoon's session, the remainder of the day's session being taken up by reports of superintendents and plans for the coming year. The reports of work done were much better than those of last year, the East Eugene union capturing the banner for the best report of work in proportion to members.

Wednesday evening Mrs. Brown gave an address in the Baptist church. Mrs. Brown is a modest, unassuming speaker, but business-like and entertaining, and impresses her hearers as being thoroughly sincere. Mrs. Wheeler also gave a recital, which was much enjoyed by those who heard her. The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

"Whereas, We, the members of the W. C. T. U. now met in county convention in East Eugene, most heartily endorse the principles of the great and grand order, in total abstinence for the individual and for the state and nation. An equal code of morals for men and women, equal wages for equal work regardless of sex, the ballot in the hands of women, claiming we should have a right to help make the laws by which we are governed; we accept the holy Bible as our standard of faith and believe the Lord's Day should be used only in His service and worship. We believe in upholding the purity of the press, and realizing the evil effects of the use of tobacco, especially by the young, we as Christian Temperance women do most earnestly protest against newspaper cuts representing young men as using this relic of American savagery in the form of pipe, cigar or cigarette, certainly adding no suggestion of strength or manliness to the young student, nor beauty, grace or any comeliness whatsoever to innocent childhood. Therefore, while feeling sincerely our obligations to the Eugene press for the many favors of the past year we beg a continuance of their co-operation in exalting the good and eradicating the evil. To the East Eugene women as hostesses, to the church board for the use of the church, to the good people who have so kindly and generously entertained us we tender our most sincere and heartfelt thanks.

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RECORD OF ANTI-TRUST PROSECUTIONS ISSUED

Washington, Oct. 1.—The department of justice has issued a revised statement of the record to date of all civil and criminal cases instituted by the United States under the Sherman anti-trust act to regulate commerce, showing that under President Roosevelt's administration, from September, 1901, to date, there were eighteen bills in equity and one foreclosure proceeding in civil cases under the anti-trust act, and 25 criminal indictments and two proceedings in contempt in criminal cases, with fines imposed amounting to \$147,000.

Under the interstate commerce act there were 157 indictments, 48 convictions, two acquittals, nine non pros, five demurrers sustained, four dismissed, one quashed and 81 pending. The fines imposed amounted to \$1,113,325.

E. F. Hyland brought a bunch of fine steers down from Lowell today and loaded them for shipment to Portland. There were 25 of them and they averaged 1275 pounds each in weight.

PRESIDENT BACK AGAIN AT GOVERNOR HASKELL

Washington, Oct. 3.—President Roosevelt today gave out for publication the letter received by him from W. L. Sturtevant, of St. Louis, in which the writer declares that Governor Haskell's statement in his letter of September 30 regarding the latter's connection with the Creek Indian lands is so imperfect as to be entirely misleading. The text of the letter is as follows:

"Dear Mr. President: I notice in Governor Haskell's letter of date of September 30 the following statement: 'Yes, I believe I am defendant in certain government townsite suits in one of nearly eleven thousand suits that you had brought against as many different honorable and high-minded citizens of this state, during this presidential campaign year, and you will not undertake to deny that party politics for the purpose of Republicanizing about twenty thousand Indian voters was your sole motive in having these suits brought, and I charge you with knowing that there has been a delay in these cases except that occasioned by the court's deliberations, deemed necessary to consider the merits or not there was any merit in the petition filed by your attorney.' The above statement regarding the townsite suits is so imperfect that it is entirely misleading. All those suits in which Governor Haskell is defendant, except one, were filed in 1907, prior to the admission of Oklahoma as a state. He is charged with direct participation in the fraud through which Indians were deprived of their property rights, and the bills seek to hold him personally liable for the injury thus inflicted. He has not answered the merits of a single case, but all pleas filed by his attorneys are purely technical and necessarily dilatory in effect."

The letter goes on to say that the party to obtain expeditious hearings met with no response on the part of Haskell and the other defendants.

LUMBER RATE CASE IS UP TO SUPREME COURT

San Francisco, Oct. 3.—Judges Gilbert, Morrow and Ross, of the United States circuit court of appeals, today announced they were unable to agree in the matter of the injunction suit sought by the Southern Pacific and Oregon & California railroads, fixing the freight rates on lumber by the interstate commerce commission. The facts involved, including the right of the interstate commerce commission to establish and alter freight rates, will be certified to the supreme court of the United States and it is expected a decision will be rendered within sixty days.

NEW YORK SHERIFF NOT IN CONTEMPT

Seranton, Oct. 3.—Judge Archbold, of the United States circuit court, this afternoon decided that Sheriff Lane, of West Chester county, New York, was not in contempt in not having delivered Harry Thaw into the keeping of the United States marshal to be taken to Pittsburg in answer in his bankruptcy proceedings.

BOOTH GIVES \$10,000 MORE TO WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY

Salem, Sept. 29.—Ex-State Senator Robert A. Booth, who has given so many munificent gifts to Willamette University, has announced, through Dr. Fletcher Homan, president of the university, that he will give \$10,000 as a starter for a second \$100,000 endowment. At present \$100,000 of the endowment has been raised. On condition that the first \$100,000 was raised, two loyal Willamette men agreed to give \$25,000 each on the next \$150,000, which would make the endowment reach the quarter million mark. The gift of Senator Booth marks the movement which is expected to result in the endowment being raised. During the session of the Oregon conference Senator Booth gave \$5000 to an irreducible conference claimants' fund, making \$15,000 in all that he has given during the week. When the senator appeared on the floor of the conference he pleaded the cause of Willamette he was given an ovation that brought tears to his eyes.

HAVE TROUBLE OVER CAMPAIGN FUND

New York, Oct. 2.—That President Roosevelt sent Secretary Root to look into the management of the National Republican campaign and that Root reported the difficulty lay in the collection of campaign funds by Treasurer George R. Sheldon, was the statement published here today from "high authority." It is also stated that the president and Judge Taft had objected to the collection of campaign funds from the officers of the corporations with which Sheldon was intimately associated. From others it is said Sheldon experienced difficulty in securing contributions.

Secretary Root is said to have experienced Hitecock on conditions which had aroused criticism of his campaign, and he is also said to have reported to the president that there was not enough money to run the campaign, and that speakers had been cut off the programs for that reason.

The Eugene Lumber Company's sawmill is in operation again after a few weeks' shutdown.

J. W. Kays has begun suit in the circuit court against Mrs. Jessie Boughton and the Eugene Loan & Savings Bank to recover \$503.30, with interest at 10 per cent, from June 16, 1908.

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SCHOONER BANDON WRECKED ON MUD FLATS OF TILLAMOOK

Tillamook, Or., Oct. 3.—The steam schooner Bandon, Captain Reese, is a wreck on the mud flats of Tillamook Bay. She attempted to cross out last night with a load of lumber from the Miami Lumber Company at Hobsonville, and Captain Reese took the south instead of the north channel, and the weather being rough the vessel pounded so heavily on the bar that she opened a seam and took water freely. The Bandon was then put back into the bay and anchored and her fires were put out by the water. Her anchors would not hold and a portion of her deck load was thrown off.

The vessel drifted about all night and finally landed this morning on the mud flats. The crew are safe.

BUILD PLANING MILL ON EIGHTH STREET

Osterhout & Smith, the firm mentioned by The Guard some time ago as contemplating renting the lath-vinyl factory building for a planing mill, have leased a tract of land between the old electric light plant and the mill race on East Eighth street and will erect a mill building there. The work of clearing the ground of the trees was begun this morning and the building is being put up at once. It is expected that the planing will be in operation in a month. The machinery has been ordered and is expected to arrive before the work of putting up the building is completed.

LANE HOPS SAID TO BE TAKN BY HORST

Late this afternoon it was reported that E. Clemens Horst, the hog grower and dealer, had during the past few days, since he gave out a very bearish opinion regarding the market—purchasing practically all the 1908 hogs in Lane county, paying 7½c a pound for the best circles. The news caused a stir in hog circles inasmuch as Mr. Horst had been unusually bearish on the market. He only lots he did not purchase in Lane county, says the report, are those saved to get at the price—Portland Journal.

STILL FIGHT FOR HIGHER RATE

San Francisco, Oct. 1.—Declaring the rate fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission on lumber shipped from the Willamette valley to San Francisco Bay points as confiscatory, and attacking the constitutionality of the act creating the commission, attorneys representing the Southern Pacific and Oregon & California railroads today filed in the United States circuit court of appeals a new bill of complaint containing the allegations omitted in the previous proceedings, which ended yesterday in a decision upholding the demurrer of the government.

BARN AND TEAM TO ALL ENGLAND

(From Thursday's Daily Guard.) A barn belonging to A. Burgess and a team of horses belonging to and a team of horses belonging to the built constituency were burned at Springfield early this morning. The Springfield fire was discovered about 4 o'clock and was beyond control before the firemen could reach it. An effort was made to get the horses out of the blazing barn, but the flames were so thick that no one dared to enter the building. The horses were saved at \$400 and \$500 and the barn was probably worth \$400. The team was full of hay and some of it was destroyed. Barns belonging to C. W. Rychard and Mr. Webster, across the alley, caught fire several times and it was with difficulty that they were saved. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

WELLS-FARGO CO. WINS TAX CASE

Judge Harris, of the circuit court, has granted the injunction asked for by the Wells-Fargo Express Company, in the case of the company vs. the sheriff of Lane county, to restrain that official from collecting taxes levied by the assessor on the rights and privileges of transportation over the Southern Pacific Company's railway lines in Lane county.

L. P. Cailson, an extensive operator in cascara bark, informs the Chehalis Bee-Nugget that the peel is very short this season and that but sixteen cars have been shipped to date, as against seventy-five cars at the same time last year. The market has strengthened materially lately, sales having been made at 6½c, the highest figures quoted since 1904, when quotations went to 17c and the industry was badly boomed.

Henry Stewart, of Springfield, has gone into the real estate business in Eugene, being associated with Jack Rodman. Mr. Stewart is one of Lane county's most prominent and best-liked citizens, and we are glad to welcome him in our midst.

BIG PROPERTY DEAL JUST COMPLETED

C. S. Frank has sold his two-story brick business building, known as the Davies block, on East Ninth street, and which is occupied by R. W. Newland's store and the Great American Importing Company's tea store, to C. P. Barnard, the former liveryman, and Edward Hanson, the clothier, for \$24,000. This is an advance of \$1000 over what Mr. Frank paid for it a few months ago. He has made a number of repairs to the building, but the rent income has about paid for that, he says. The lot on which the building is situated has a frontage of 60 feet on East Ninth street and is 160 feet deep.

Today Judge G. R. Chrisman appointed W. I. Coleman and Henry T. G. Coleman, who died in Lane county on May 13, 1871.

It is announced that a new machine is being perfected which will pick hops and do away with the employment of thousands of people. E. C. Horst, a well-known hop man, is said to be backing the machine, and claims are made that it will pick 5000 pounds an hour.