

REBATORS PLEAD GUILTY ESCAPING JAIL SENTENCE

Kansas City, Jan. 25.—Geo. L. Thomas, a freight broker of New York, and L. B. Taggart, his clerk, pleaded guilty in the United States court today to giving rebates to shippers. Thomas was fined \$7000 and Taggart \$4000, jail sentence being omitted.

Thomas and Taggart were found guilty of rebating on June 22, 1906, and Thomas was sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of \$6000, but the decision was reversed on a technicality.

When the case was called today the defendants entered a plea of guilty. Judge McPherson expressed the belief that the Thomas agency was a catapaw for the railway companies, and that in view of the fact that rebating practices had been brought to an end by the rigorous action of the government there was no occasion for an order of imprisonment. The court further said he believed that the firms who had accepted rebates were as guilty as the defendants and the railroads (previously convicted) and

he could not understand why they had never been indicted. "The railroads," declared Judge McPherson, "are hounded to death with rebate seekers. They are not entirely to blame for all the rebating that has been done."

STEAL GOLD FILLINGS FROM MAN'S TOOTH.

Spokane, Jan. 23.—Three young hold-ups last night robbed G. E. Hodger, stage manager of the Columbia theatre, of gold teeth, worth \$25. The holdups saw the teeth when Hodger explained that he had only \$2.60 and yanked them out of his mouth.

LARGE REWARD FOR MURDERER'S ARREST.

Salem, Jan. 23.—Governor Chamberlain this afternoon offered a reward of \$4,000 for the arrest and conviction of the murderers of Mrs. Mary Casteel, daughter Martha, son Paul, and hired man, who were killed and bodies burned in a house near Mcleay, December 1st last.

JACK LONDON ARRIVES HOME SAFE AND WELL

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—Jack London, the author, who left here in May on a seven years' trip around the world for the Woman's Home Companion, and for whose safety fears were entertained, returned to this city today from Tahiti, accompanied by his wife. Their vessel, the "Snark," was left at Papeete for repairs to the gasoline engine, and they returned here to attend to some business matters.

He reports no adventures, and says the delay in the arrival at the Marquesas Islands, which gave rise to the reports that he was lost, was due to trouble with the gasoline engine, and to time spent in cruising around the various islands.

NIGHT RIDERS IN OLD KENTUCKY

Dawson Springs, Ky., Jan. 25.—A band of fifty masked "Night Riders" last night took possession of the Ar-

cadis Hotel here, after terrifying the guests by "shooting up" the place. Then they took John Heath, an independent tobacco buyer who was a guest, to the river, and with threats of a "ducking" made him promise not to sell any more tobacco.

WRECKED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

Des Moines, Jan. 25.—Five hundred pounds of dynamite in a box at the mining town of Hocking exploded during a fire that started in the company's store early today. Five men were injured. Property loss \$60,000.

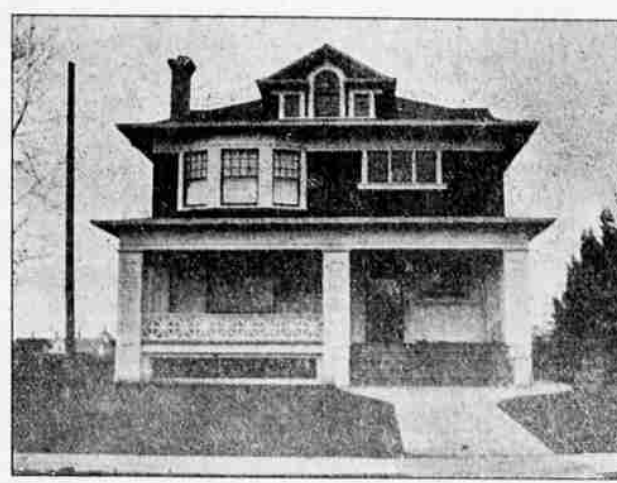
Explosion of Stove.
Madison, Ill., Jan. 25.—The explosion of a heating stove started a fire that destroyed the greater part of two blocks in the heart of the business section today. The loss will exceed \$100,000. Forty persons are homeless without breakfast, some in their night clothes, and suffering great suffering in the intense cold.

Chicago Wheat Market.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Wheat closed: May, \$1.00 1-8; July, 97 1-4; September, 94 5-8.

Durkee, a small mining town eight miles from Baker City, has 25 cases of smallpox.

EUGENE'S NEW RESIDENCES---NO 4.



HOME OF JOHN HAMPTON AND FAMILY

The Guard today presents a picture of the new home of John Hampton, the merchant, and family, in Charnelton street, near West Ninth. The residence cost \$5000 or more, and was built by Contractors Irrell and Hunter. John Hunzicker

was the architect. The building is even more beautiful than the picture would indicate, the photographer, when taking the picture, having placed his camera too squarely in front north, and was built by Contractors Irrell and Hunter. John Hunzicker

FRANKLIN MAYS TESTIFIES AGAINST JOHN F. HALL

BROTHER OF CO-DEFENDANT PUT ON STAND TO STRENGTHEN GOVERNMENT CASE—FORMER STATE SENATOR BROWNELL GIVES TESTIMONY THAT CONNECTS SENATOR FULTON WITH CASE IN AN UNFAVORABLE LIGHT

Portland, Jan. 25.—Following his policy of bringing over to the prosecution individuals who were indicted with John H. Hall and Edwin Mays, and using them as witnesses against the two men on trial in the conspiracy case, F. J. Heney today dismissed the case against former State Senator Franklin Pierce Mays and put him on the stand as a witness against Hall. E. P. Mays' evidence was not directed against his brother Edwin, now on trial.

Three witnesses were on the stand today, Steiwer, for cross-examination, Mays and James R. Rennie, formerly government agent. None of these witnesses brought out damaging evidence against Hall, and Steiwer and Mays were decidedly reluctant in giving evidence. There was a sprinkling of state politics under the old regime brought into the trial today but Heney did not succeed in connecting up the senatorial fight of Fulton as clearly as he expects to next week.

Senator Fulton yesterday was unfavorably connected with the Hall-Mays conspiracy case by the testimony of George C. Brownell, ex-president of the Oregon state senate, and for years a prominent Republican of the state. Brownell testified that he was forced to withdraw from the contest for appointment as United States attorney for Oregon in 1903 because of the insinuations of Hall that the government was in possession of evidence on which Brownell's indictment for complicity in the Oregon land frauds



TWO GERMAN PRINCES. The German crown prince and his son, Prince William, who will train in the profession of a soldier.

was probable. The dethroned boss of Clackamas county politics further testified that in return for the indorsement of Hall for reappointment which he was forced to make Senators Mitchell and Fulton exacted a promise of immunity for Brownell and the latter's former law partner, J. U. Campbell, also of Clackamas county.

The purpose of Brownell's testimony, which was admitted over the vigorous objection of counsel for the defendants, was to corroborate the charge of conspiracy alleged against Hall in the indictment in that Hall controlled Steiwer's vote for senator in return for his failure to prosecute Steiwer and his associates for including government land, by showing that Hall had used his office as district attorney to intimidate others and to force them to endorse and support him for reappointment. This contention by Heney has been supported by the testimony of Steiwer and Hendricks in the Butte Creek Company's operations, and by that of Brownell yesterday, and Heney proposes by the introduction of other witnesses to show that Hall, together with the connivance of Fulton, prostituted his office as district attorney by protecting violators of the law in two other specific instances.

OFFICIAL FORECAST FOR NORTHWEST
Portland, Or., Jan. 25.—
Western Oregon and West-
ern Washington—Fair to-
night and Sunday; northerly
winds.

Coat and Suit Departments the center of Attraction

Monday and Tuesday Ladies' Suits and Coats will be priced for Store Clearing. 40 Suits, the latest and best styles at irresistible prices. This is the opportunity for which you have been waiting; the time to economize; the time to buy suits for Half Price or Less. This is a busy store, but we are forcing business to make it still greater.



Ladies' Suits..

40 Ladies' Suits, regular price from \$20 to \$40, finely tailored, satin or silk or silk lined jackets, all go at one price, your choice, the suit..... \$16.00

\$12.50 to \$20.00 Suits

This is a broken line of sizes and last seasons' goods. We make a price to move them, less than the skirt is worth, your choice the suit..... \$5.00

Lonsdale Muslin, the yard 11c
Clarks' O. N. T. Spool Cotton, spool 5c

Ladies' Coats

Ladies' Full Length Coats of black or gray Kersey, regular price \$7, \$8 and \$9 your choice, each \$5.00

Ladies' Short Coats

\$12.50 Coats, Skinner's satin lined. The colors are tan, mode, red, red and black mixed, and black broadcloth, all finely tailored your choice each \$3.00



January Clothing Specials

Profits are no consideration at this season, it is a matter of stock reduction. Our goods at the usual cash prices are bargains enough, but we are selling still cheaper now.

Overcoats and Rain Coats

Our stock and quality of this class of clothing as well as others is the largest and best in the city but they must be moved out.
\$10.00 Overcoats special \$8.00
\$15.00 Overcoats special \$12.00
\$20.00 Overcoats special \$16.00
\$25.00 Overcoats special \$20.00

Boys' Suits for Less

\$1.50 Two Piece Suits special..... \$1.20
\$2.00 Suits in dark colors, special... \$1.60
\$2.50 Suits, grays, checks and plaids, special... \$2
\$4 double breasted, blue and gray check \$3.20

Boys' Sweaters

Large assortment of sweaters both in colors and price, 50c to \$1.75. Special price on all grades.

Hose

Men's 20c Hose in black or tan, special price, the pair..... 12 1/2c

Hats

Men's \$3.00 stiff hats, black or colors, each 50c



BANK WRECKERS INDICTED UPON MAN / CHARGES

Bellingham, Jan. 25.—Six informations were filed by County Prosecutor Hurd against A. J. Schaffer and Jacob Youngblood, owners of the Bank of Hamilton, in Skagit county, which suspended payment in November last. Two informations charge larceny by embezzlement, four of receipt of deposits after the bank was known to be insolvent. The men were arrested today. Hundreds of depositors are penniless as a result of the failure, as



DARWIN P. KINGSLEY, President of the New York Life Insurance company, who is one of the best posted insurance men in America.

there were practically no assets, and it is alleged the depositors will not receive a cent of their money.
O. C. Mathis, the absconding cashier of the defunct Exchange Bank of Blaine, which suspended a week ago, was arrested today at Ashcroft, B. C., and will return without the formality of extradition. Receiver Whitcomb succeeded in opening the safe inside the vault last night and found \$89.39, representing \$10,000 in deposits.

CHINESE WILL SUPPRESS PIRACY

Pekin, Jan. 25.—Vice Admiral Sir Arthur William Moore, commander-in-chief of the naval forces on the Chinese coast, has advised the British legation that he is entirely satisfied that the assurances of the Chinese government in the near future to patrol the west river for suppressing piracy, and the British flotilla doing police duty has been withdrawn.

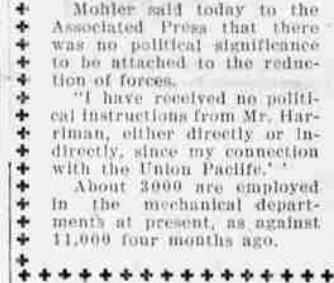
ENGLAND LEADS IN SHIPBUILDING

New York, Jan. 25.—The shipbuilding summary for 1907, compiled by the "Shipping World," shows that the United States was second for the year in total tonnage of ships constructed, only England having outstripped this country. Great Britain's tonnage was 1,673,121; the United States, 488,059; Germany, 293,073; France, 189,822; Japan, 122,095.

Baker City is to have a \$17,500 library, a present from Mr. Carnegie. The city will provide for an income of \$1750 for its maintenance.

RAILROAD MAN SAYS ROOSEVELT IS RESPONSIBLE

Omaha, Jan. 25.—A reduction in working days from six to five a week in the Union Pacific shops here will be followed at other places, affecting several thousand men.
The World-Herald quotes Vice President Mohler as charging the reduction to "President Roosevelt's mania for reform," indicating that road would reduce its force as long as the president's activity against corporations continues.
Mohler said today to the Associated Press that there was no political significance to be attached to the reduction of forces.
"I have received no political instructions from Mr. Harman, either directly or indirectly, since my connection with the Union Pacific."
About 3000 are employed in the mechanical departments at present, as against 11,000 four months ago.



CONTRACTS FOR POTTS BUILDING NEXT WEEK

WORK OF BUILDING TWO-STORY BLOCK ON OLIVE STREET TO BEGIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

F. C. Potts, the cigar manufacturer, will let the contract some time next week for his two-story brick business block on Olive street between West Eighth and West Ninth. Architect Y. D. Hensell having finished the structure several days ago. The building will have a frontage on Olive street of 40 feet and will be 52 feet deep. It will contain two store rooms on the lower floor and nine living rooms on the upper floor, which will be occupied by Mr. Potts and family. One of the lower rooms will be occupied by his cigar factory and salesroom, and the other will be for rent.
The building will be handsome in design. It will be of semi-classical style, with eaves in front similar to the Merchants' bank building. The front of the building will be cemented and on top, in the centre, will be a flagpole. The stairway will be in the centre of the building.
This building will be just south of the McFarland blacksmith shop and adjoining it on the south will be S. B. Finnegan's new two-story brick of similar design, the plans for which have not yet been completed.

F. A. ANDERSON WILL BUILD FINE RESIDENCE

F. A. Anderson, a lumber man who owns a sawmill in the timber west of Eugene, will this coming summer build a fine residence at West Thirtieth and Charnelton streets. It will be one of the best dwelling houses in the city and while it will not be as large as some that were erected during the year 1907, it will probably cost as much as any of them, the interior finishings to be the most expensive feature. The building will be two stories high and will contain eight rooms. It will be finished in curly fir, and the interior of the entire second story will be white enamel. There will be a great deal of plate glass in the building and the latest improvements in the way of plumbing will be installed. Mr. Anderson being a practical plumber himself. The plans are already finished and the contract will be let for the building within a short time.

\$1.50 Silk Special 88c

Hampton Bros.
Where Cash Beats Credit

Children's \$3.00 Red or Gray Coats \$2.00