

MAKE A RICH HAUL

THREE MEN HOLD UP PRESIDENT AND CASHIER OF BANK AND SECURE \$14,743.

Robbers Put Loot in Sacks and Make Their Escape in Two Minutes. No Claw Is Found.

Portland, Or., Dec. 9.—No claw has been found of the three unmasked men who held up and robbed the East Side Bank at 5:45 o'clock Monday night. About \$14,743 in gold, silver and currency was the plunder claimed by the robbers. They gathered in two big sacks and ran out of the bank staggering under the weight of the loot.

Just two minutes were required to complete a robbery that has few precedents for desperation and daring. Entering the bank, in the heart of the East Side business district, at an hour when hundreds of people were on the streets, the leader and most determined of the men, at pistol's point forced President Newhall and his son, who is the cashier, to retire, their hands up, into Mr. Newhall's private office. This done two men who were waiting outside jumped inside the swinging door, and while one stood with a cocked revolver watching the entrance, the other held sacks into which the leader dumped the money from the counter cash till.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Beatty found a package of the stolen money—\$200 in \$5 gold piece—which the robbers had dropped in their flight.

The leading spirit in the robbery, a man of 38, smooth shaved and wearing seedy clothes, took all the desperate chances and did the actual work of taking the money.

A single horse rig, with which the robbers made their escape, was found about a mile from the scene of the crime, the horse being in an almost exhausted condition.

ROOT DENIES CHARGE

Washington Bar Association to Sift Scandal to Bottom.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—Breaking his silence for the first time since his resignation from the supreme court bench of the state of Washington, former Justice Milo A. Root stated that the troubles with which he has become involved and which led to his resignation, were brought about through trusting a friend whom he had known for 20 years or more.

"But let me say first," said Mr. Root, "I am not corrupt. I did not receive a single penny. I did not ask for a cent and what has been done has been done honestly and above-board. I do not care to say that Judge Gordon took my letters to the Great Northern railway and capitalized them for any amount. All I know about that is what friends of mine have told me.

"It is untrue that Judge Gordon wrote the decision in the Harris vs. Great Northern decision, which has been attributed to him," declared Judge Root.

Members of the special bar committee are determined to report fully on the exact facts on every charge they can hear. There is no chance of a whitewash report, and the bar committee's findings may be even more drastic than have been intimated thus far.

PLANS FOR GREAT ROOSEVELT HUNT IN AFRICA

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Roosevelt, in a statement prepared by Secretary Walcott, of the Smithsonian Institution made his first official announcement Saturday regarding the hunting trip to Africa, on which he will start within two weeks after he retires from the Presidency. The expedition is to be outfitted by the Smithsonian Institution, the President defraying his own expenses, and will gather natural history materials for the new National Museum. Mombasa will be reached in April next year, but no detailed itinerary beyond that place has been made except the general route to Victoria Nyanza and thence down the Nile to Khartoum, where it is expected the party will arrive about April, 1910.

DIMENSE PROFITS FOR THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY

New York, Dec. 8.—Figures showing some of the profits of the Standard Oil Company today became part of the court record in the federal suit to dissolve the Standard, when John D. Archbold resumed the stand for a brief examination.

The government inquisitor, on figures submitted, showed that the Continental Company, a Standard subsidiary in the Middle West, made profits of 115 per cent on its capitalization of \$400,000, and that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, on a capitalization of \$1,000,000 earned \$55,000,000 between 1899 and 1906.

Champ Clark Leader of Minority. Washington, Dec. 8.—Representative Champ Clark of Missouri was chosen minority leader of the House of Representatives at a caucus of the Democratic members of that body. Mr. Clark's election was unanimous.

LAST MESSAGE READ

FINAL ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF PRESIDENT ARE READ TO CONGRESS.

Speaker Cannon Retains Speakership of House—Vice-President Fairbanks Heads Senate.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Congress today heard the last annual message of President Roosevelt, but paid little attention to the reading, which most of them followed merely by reading the printed copies.

As the present session is the second session of the Sixtieth congress, no organization was necessary, Speaker Cannon retaining his authority by virtue of his former election and Mr. Fairbanks as ex-officio presiding officer of the senate.

The programme of the leaders is to pass the appropriation bills, holding them down as much as possible, and sidetrack all legislation that is not absolutely essential. New legislation, entailing heavy appropriations, will be put over, because the condition of the Treasury will not



SPEAKER CANNON.

Justify any great increase in the expenditure of public funds.

There will be a river and harbor bill, in addition to the appropriation bill which are enacted at every session, and this one measure will probably carry \$75,000,000 or more.

The very fact that there is not a superabundance of money in the treasury will be given as a reason for cutting down appropriations for river and harbor work below the amounts asked for by the army engineers. This means that the delegations from the Pacific Coast states will have their hands full getting adequate recognition for the waterways of the Coast.

Fortunately, Representative Jones of Washington is on the house rivers and harbors committee, where he will be in a position to do much for the Columbia river and other rivers and harbors of his state and Oregon.

Oregon is deeply interested in a bill introduced and passed through the Senate last session—the bill dividing Oregon into two judicial districts; one on either side of the Cascade mountains.

Oregon representatives have bills pending providing for the establishment of an assay office at Portland. But the economical streak that will be manifest throughout the session will probably kill off this bill and all like it.

In connection with the river and harbor bill, the Oregon representatives will endeavor to secure an appropriation for the purchase of the canal and locks at Oregon City. Bills introduced for this purpose last session were told to wait until a river and harbor bill was framed.

PRESIDENT FAVORS BONDS TO SAVE RESOURCES.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft have publicly put themselves on record in advocacy of the issuance of Government bonds for the construction of permanent public improvements to conserve the natural resources of the nation. President-elect Taft presided at the joint conservation meeting at the Belasco theater in this city. President Roosevelt made the principal address.

Governor Chamberlain, of Oregon, voiced what seemed the advanced ground of the Democratic party in advocacy of the Federal jurisdiction and the audience, which filled the theater and which included Andrew Carnegie, John Mitchell, Senators, Congressmen and the Governors of several states, applauded every sentiment expressed.

Boys Canal Transports.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 8.—The steamers Shawmut and Tremont, now at Seattle, have been purchased by the Isthmian Canal Commission from the Boston Navigation Company, to be used in transporting supplies for the Panama canal.

For this purpose last year Congress appropriated \$1,500,000. The price paid for the steamers is \$1,157,301, which the owners say is 33 per cent less than the vessels cost five and six years ago. The vessels are to be delivered at New York without cost to the government.

These vessels will be used for carrying supplies to the canal and later will be turned over to the navy for service as colliers.

A Mighty Stock Reducing Sale!

NEARLY one whole month of Bargain Giving Beginning Monday Morning, Dec. 7, and lasting throughout the entire month of December.

More dollars worth of new up-to-date and reliable merchandise offered at this sale for smaller prices than was ever offered the people of Washington County, at one time in our history. Just now we find our stock of goods, larger than we want it, and in order to reduce it we have inaugurated this

Mighty Clearance Sale

We think you will think, that it is to your interest and everybody's interest to get busy and attend this sale. Its a money-saving event for the purchasing public. You will find throughout the whole big store rare bargains in all lines of merchandise carried in a big General Store.

We don't figure on profits in this sale. Our object is to reduce our stock. These goods must go and they will go, because we will make the prices that will make them go.

THE GRAND OPENING DAY will be worth coming miles to attend. We are going to make a superhuman effort to sell more goods, give bigger and better bargains, take in more dollars, turn out more well-pleased customers, wait on more people, reduce our stock more on this Grand Opening Day than was ever done in one day by any store in this county, or any other county in this great state of Oregon.

Ribbon! Ribbon!!

Fifteen miles of ribbon go on sale Monday, December 7. Every known shade, New fancy Dresden and floral patterns. You will find any kind of ribbon here that you may want. Our big Ribbon Stock is at its best and during this sale all the choicest and newest things go along with all staple kinds, at a big reduction in prices.

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One line high cut Shoes regular \$5 Sale price \$3.95.

We also have many other bargains in our Shoe Department.

A limited number of boys' long pants sale price 50 cents to 99 cents. One large corduroy vest free to any man whom it will fit.

Comforts! Blankets!!

Sweeping reduction on all Comforts and Blankets. We overestimated our wants when purchasing our comforts this year, and in order to reduce them we are offering the following prices:

\$7.25 value, one only	\$5.75
6.50 " reduced to	4.75
3.50 " " "	2.75
2.25 " " "	1.75
4.50 " one only	3.39
2.75 " reduced to	1.99
2.50 " " "	1.95
3.85 " " "	2.85

Big Reduction on Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Boys' pants, 75c and \$1.00 - \$.50

" Vests, values 50c to \$1.00 .25

2000 yards of calico going in this big Reduction Sale at 5 cents per yard.

Big Reduction in Outing Flannel

2500 yards of Outing Flannel go on sale Monday, Dec. 7. This is the time of year when you need this class of merchandise and it will be to your interest to come while the assortment is good. Regular 12 1-2 and 15c outings go during this sale at 10c per yard.

Ladies', Misses and Children's Coats greatly reduced in price. It will cost you nothing to call and get our prices.

Big Sale on umbrellas, large assortment, new, regular \$1.25 and \$1.35 reduced to \$1.00

Just received a new assortment of dishes. Suitable for Xmas presents. 10 to 25 per cent off on Ladies' hosiery.

33 1-3 off on one lot of Dress Goods. Come while the assortment is good. Don't forget the place.

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HANDICAPPED.

This is the Case with Many Forest Grove People.

Too many Forest Grove citizens are handicapped with a bad back. The unceasing pain causes constant misery, making work a burden and stooping or lifting an impossibility. The back aches at night, preventing refreshing rest and in the morning is stiff and lame. Plasters and liniments may give relief but cannot reach the cause. To eliminate the pains and aches you must cure the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys and cure them permanently. Can you doubt Forest Grove evidence?

Leuel E. Bullock, living on Fourth St., Forest Grove, Ore., says: "For a number of years I suffered severely from kidney trouble and it seemed I had every symptom of the complaint. I had a constant desire to pass the kidney secretion and there was a heavy load on my back. The pain in my back was so severe that I was unable to rest well at night and in the morning would feel all tired and worn out. I suffered severely from dizzy spells and was in a generally miserable condition. I tried a number of remedies, also used plasters but nothing seemed to reach my case. I finally bought of Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box. I took the contents of this box, and am now feeling as well as I had ever hoped to. My kidneys are in a normal condition and I can go to bed and get refreshing rest, something that I have not been able to do before in a number of years. It affords me the greatest pleasure to give Doan's Kidney Pills my endorsement."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

The women of the Pacific Northwest are taking an increasingly active part in its development and advertisement, and the Portland Woman's Club will go out on a unique excursion next week, when they will gather the beautifully tinted branches of "Oregon Grape" in quantity sufficient to decorate the famous Plymouth Church of Brooklyn, New York, of which Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis is pastor. The Portland Commercial Club will send this East by express in ample time to reach Brooklyn by Christmas.

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