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ARE IN CONTROL

Hamilton & Rourke Win the Warehouse Case.

THE MILITIA IN TROUBLE

Four Oregon Boys May Be Disciplined.

On Tuesday, July 10, Judge Godman at Dayton, Wash., sustained the motion to vacate the receivership of the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System. This makes the third time that a court has discharged a temporary receiver for the above mentioned corporation, namely: Judge S. A. Lowell, of Umatilla county, made a similar ruling, as did Judge Brents, of Walla Walla, Wash. This action of three judges places the warehouse of the Hamilton-Rourke company in control of Charles Hamilton and T. F. Rourke.

A little history of this legal battle, says the East Oregonian, will prove of interest to many who have heretofore been in ignorance of what the trouble was all about. The Hamilton-Rourke company owns 40 warehouses in Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington. In the spring of 1897 the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System (a corporation) was formed, the principal members of which are T. B. Wilcox and Elison & Kerr, of Portland. Mr. Wilcox is manager of the Portland Flouring Mills company and practically controls the elevators at Portland which would handle the wheat shipped from the Inland Empire. Shortly after the organization of this latter corporation the Hamilton-Rourke company mortgaged its warehouses to the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System for something more than \$30,000. That mortgage fell due more than six months ago, and it is claimed by the Hamilton-Rourke company that the mortgage has been paid, but that the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System still holds control of the property and refuses to satisfy the judgment or to foreclose. The Hamilton-Rourke company claims that if the mortgage had not been paid the proper way for the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System to have obtained legal possession of the warehouses would have been to foreclose. The attorneys for the Hamilton-Rourke company claim that under the Oregon statutes the Hamilton-Rourke Warehouse System, even if it should now attempt to foreclose the mortgage long since due, would be unable to obtain control of the warehouses within six months. D. W. Bailey and Carter & Raley are attorneys for the Hamilton-Rourke company.

MILITIA IN TROUBLE.

Four Oregon Boys May be Severely Disciplined.

A World special from Manila says that July 10 four volunteer officers from Oregon, Captain Heath, Wells and Prescott, and Lieutenant Teller, obtained permission to spend a day within the rebel lines.

There was much uneasiness when they did not return Sunday or Monday, but they arrived safely Tuesday morning.

They explained that they had gotten farther away than they thought and could not return Sunday, so they decided to make a tour of investigation along the Pasig river, back of Manila, and get some valuable information.

They are now confined to their quarters, and probably will be court martialed.

It is thought that the action of these officers may result in the promotion of George A. Hartman, first lieutenant of company D, the Pendleton-La Grande company, of which Prescott was captain, to the captaincy to take Prescott's place.

Rich Men's Sons.

Among the Oregon boys now at Manila is a son of Henry Ankeny, the well known and very wealthy mining man of Oregon, serving cheerfully as an enlisted soldier and doing the hard work of field and camp like a man. A writer on the Oregonian saw him during the time the regiment was in camp at the Presidio, in company with Ray Green, of Portland, digging a trench to carry loads from the camp kitchen like any dollar-a-day workman, and both boys seemed entirely satisfied with their detail. A cousin of young Ankeny—a son of Levi Ankeny, the Walla Walla banker—is a member of the Washington regiment, serving in the ranks, as is a nephew of the New York Vanderbilt family. Also among the troops from the Northwest now in Manila are two sons of Judge John R. McBride, nephews of Senator

McBride. Many others might be named equally well fixed in the way of financial, political and social relationship, cheerfully doing the duty of the hour, be it light or hard, neither asking nor wishing anything through favor.

THE WAR BURDEN.

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Put a 2 cent stamp on every inland bill of exchange, time draft, promissory note or money order for each \$100.

Pay 1 cent extra on each telegraph message sent.

Pay 8 cents per \$100 on each life insurance policy, unless taken on the industrial weekly payment plan, when the charge is 10 per cent of the first weekly payment.

Pay 25 cents on each 1-year lease, 50 cents on a lease between one and three years, and \$1 on a lease exceeding three years.

Pay 25 cents on each mortgage between \$1000 and \$1500, and 25 cents on each \$800 additional.

Pay \$1 extra for a passage ticket to foreign port costing not more than \$30, \$3 extra if it costs between \$30 and \$60, and \$5 if it costs more than \$60.

Pay 10 cents every time you occupy a seat or berth in a parlor or sleeping car.

Pay a tax ranging from 75 cents to \$15 per \$100 on legacies above \$10,000, according to total value.

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Mutual Prosperity.

Hugh McArthur, of Portland, formerly of Athena, arrived in the city Tuesday morning, and went to Athena to remain several days looking after his wheat interests. Mr. McArthur says Portland is doing an excellent business now, particularly in farming machinery and groceries. Machinery men, he reports, say they are selling three times as many big combines, threshers, etc., as in any previous year. Much of this machinery is shipped to Eastern Oregon and the Palouse country, but the Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah farmers are also prosperous and are buying extensively. Good prices for wheat, big crops, etc., make times lively for the agriculturists, resulting in prosperity for merchants and manufacturers.—East Oregonian.

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Seven Devils Copper.

Huntington Herald: The first shipment of copper bullion from the great Seven Devils district arrived in Huntington Wednesday evening and is now stored at the O. C. Co.'s warehouse here. It consists of seven and one half tons of almost pure copper from the New York & Idaho Smelting company's plant near Cuprum. The copper was brought to the mouth of Indian creek by the steamer Mabie, and there it was loaded on teams and hauled to this city. The bullion will be shipped to an eastern refinery.

Against the Burlington.

A report is in circulation in railroad circles to the effect that during the recent visit of President Mellen's party to Tacoma some of them admitted that a deal is about closed with the "Vanderbilt lines"—the O. R. & N., Short Line, Union Pacific, etc. By this deal the Northern Pacific gives a lease of tracks from Portland to Tacoma, with terminal facilities, enabling the Vanderbilt lines to run trains through to the Puget sound city.

The Great Northern is said to have consented, and the purpose is to form a triple alliance to keep, if possible, the Burlington system away from the Sound. While the story is generally regarded

as merely an attempt by Tacoma to claim another line of railway, it is admitted as a possibility, in view of the amicable council of Union Pacific and Northern Pacific officials at Portland two weeks ago, and the President Moller's subsequent visit to President Burt at Omaha. At the least, it is another straw showing which way the wind is blowing along the Northwestern railway tracks.—Oregonian.

Wayward Kids.

Three boys have been causing trouble in the Keen neighborhood, so Charles Keen informs the Press. The boys are related, being half brothers, and the elder who is 10 is named Cofer and the two younger, Owens. They were run out of Milton a short time ago, and are said to be fit subjects for the reform school. A couple of farm houses have been broken into and the blame is now attached to these youngsters. Under an old house near where they camped, a rifle and shot gun was found and taken possession of by Keen. The boys claimed the firearms and were told they would have to prove ownership, which so far they have not done. They have two horses with them and live principally on potatoes and other vegetables. Keen will call the attention of the proper authorities to the matter.

Scientific Opinions.

William G. Davidson, the scientific optician, will remain at the Athena hotel, Athena, Oregon, until July 26, 1898, and will be at Weston, Oregon, the 27th, 28th and 29th. Spectacles and eyeglasses scientifically adjusted to correct all cases of weak and defective sight. Nervous or sick headache remedied by the aid of properly fitted glasses. Call and have your eyes tested free of charge.

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Good Business.

A huge volume of business is being done in Athena these days. Truck load after truck load is unloaded daily among the stores and business houses. Trade in all branches of business is good, and the assurance of a large crop with fair prices, will act as a still greater stimulation in the already large volume of traffic. Athena merchants hold out inducements for trade that are equalled by very few points in the Inland Empire.

Tables to be Taxed.

As soon as the revenue stamps are received from Washington the proprietors of local billiard and pool tables will be contributing to the expenses of the war. Thus far the keepers of tables have not been called upon. Tables and bowling allies are required to pay a tax of \$5 a year for each table and alley, and a separate stamp must be issued for each, these stamps to be posted in a conspicuous place, the same as other revenue stamps.

Fish Not Running Well.

The catch of salmon on the upper river has fallen off somewhat during the last week, and at present a light catch is made, says the Dalles Chronicle. On the lower river the catch is reported very heavy, and some of the canneries are getting more fish than they can handle. With an increase in the catch on the lower river it means a like increase in a few days on the upper river, so that the fishermen around The Dalles are looking for a big run shortly.

A Terrible Accident.

A terrible accident happened to Jimmy Wallace, the six-year-old stepson of Joe Hodgson. The little fellow stepped in front of a mower which was in operation, and the left foot was horribly mangled. The bones were severed at the ankle, only the top part of the foot remaining uninjured. The attending physician is of the opinion, however, that the boy will regain use of the foot.

Have Gone East.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rigby left Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends in eastern states. They will be absent from home about three months, and their trip will take them to Iowa, Ohio and the Omaha exposition. They go direct to Oskaloosa, Iowa, and then to Mt. Gilard, Ohio, where on August 19 will be held the 34th annual re-union of the 96th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, of which Mr. Rigby was a member in Co. B. The Press wishes for the estimable couple a pleasant journey.

For Sale.

I have for sale a good milk cow, which is giving milk at present.
Edwin Woody,
Athena, Ore.

SKAGWAY LETTER

Brisk News From the Lively Northern City.

BUILDING A RAILROAD

Workmen Receive \$2 per Day and Board.

Skagway, July 9.—Skagway is still booming with business. New business houses are being erected all over town, and everybody is busy and doing well. The railroad is being worked by 750 men and the company is advertising for 1000 more. No one need be idle if he is willing to work, and the wages paid is \$2 per day and board. As the railroad will make connections with the ocean steamers here, and the river steamers on Lake Bennett, which are making trips to Dawson City, it gives Skagway the only feasible route to and from the interior. The fare charged on the steamers from Lake Bennett to Dawson is \$50, meals and baggage extra.

Alaska is developing into an agricultural country. About 50 different kinds of seeds are being tested in the ground, and most of them are developing nicely. It is reported that barley and hay are raised on the Yukon river, while bunchgrass covers the hills. This being the case it is only a matter of time until Alaska will be rich in agriculture as well as in gold. A good many mowing machines and reapers pass through here for the interior.

It is delightful here all the time. There is never a time during the night that one cannot read a newspaper out of doors. It gets about as dark as it does in Oregon on a cloudy day. On the night of June 21, the reflection of the sun could be seen all night on the top of Mt. "Dewey." Mt. Dewey is one of our highest peaks, it being 5248 feet high.

Skagway celebrated the Fourth of July in grand style. The decorations were beautiful and the parade was a grand sight, and the grand ball in the evening was a great success.

The whole town is greatly excited over the sensational killing of "Soapy" Smith.

Mrs. H. L. SWAGGART.

The Skagway News.

Mrs. H. L. Swaggart, the correspondent for the ATHENA PRESS, at Skagway, Alaska, has sent the editor a copy of the Skagway News, the leading newspaper of that thriving young city of the north. The copy received is in the form of an extra edition, and gives all the particulars of the tragic ending of "Soapy" Smith, the notorious bunco and confidence man, who prior to his death pretty much run things in Skagway. The cause which particularly led to his death was the robbing in broad daylight of a returning Klondike miner. The business men and better element of the town were holding a meeting to devise means of ridding the city of the presence of Smith and his gang, when "Soapy" appeared on the scene with a Winchester. There was trouble immediately, resulting in the death of Smith and the probable wounding of his slaver, City Engineer Frank Reid.

Cable Message

The many cable lines and the resultant competition have brought the cost of communication between New York and London down to a fairly low figure, 25 cents per word, but when one tries to reach more remote parts of the world, where the line is controlled by a single government, or company, or where there is little business to support it, the cost of sending messages amounts to alarming figures. To send 10 words from New York to Manila, for instance, cost \$23.50, or \$2 10 per word beyond London. This is the commercial rate. Newspaper despatches go for about half this sum, but, even so, the cost of bringing a column of news from the Philippines amounts up to nearly four figures. Even from a point so near as Cebu, which became for a short time the center of news interest, the commercial rate by the cheapest route is \$1.95. These two samples will give a fair intimation of the immense sums being expended by the newspapers in gathering information about the war.

Thousands Celebrate

With thankfulness their restoration to health by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. They have tried other medicines and have failed to obtain relief. They tried Hood's Sarsaparilla and it did them good. They persevered in its use and it accomplished permanent cures. Do you wonder that they praise it and recommend it to you?