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RESIDENCE ON FIRE

A Blaze at the McEwen Home Call
Out the Fire Department
Tuesday Evening.

Fire was discovered Tuesday evening in the upper story of the McEwen home, and before it was put out by the fire department, which responded promptly, several hundred dollars damage resulted to building and household goods.

After the hose teams arrived on the scene, considerable delay was made in getting water for the reason that hose had to be laid over a block.

The fire originated from the pipe connected with a heating stove. No fire had been placed in the stove for some time prior to Tuesday evening, the family having come in from the ranch on that day. The fire started between the floor and ceiling and when the stair door was opened, a draft was created which swept the flames under the floor of an adjoining room, and for a time the fire threatened to break through at the west side of the house.

The fire boys worked like trojans and finally got water in the right place and the fire was soon out. Considerable damage resulted to furniture, etc., from water.

Died in Spokane.

Rev. E. F. King hands us in the following, which will be of interest to many old-timers of this county. The deceased lady spoken of was the eldest daughter of Rev. King, and a sister to W. J. and John King of this city:

Mrs. Melissa R. Marous, nee Phillips, died in St. Luke's hospital, Spokane, on September 24th 1907. She was born in Lawrence county, Mo., Oct. 26, 1856, and died at the age of 51 years, 11 months and 24 days. She was the mother of seven children, four of whom survive her, as follows: Oscar Phillips, of Freewater, W. S. P. Phillips and Pearl Kelly, of Coeur d'Alene, and N. Phillips, who resides on Puget Sound. The deceased was for many years a resident of Weston.

REWARD OFFERED FOR WEBB

One Hundred Dollars for the Alleged
Slayer of E. F. Zaspell.

"One hundred dollars reward for the murderer, George Webb; age 40; height 5 feet, 8 inches; weight, 150 pounds; light hair and eyes; partly bald; smooth shaven; might have short gray beard; stooped shoulders; blue striped blouse and overalls; white soft hat pulled over eyes; light soft shirt; heavy work shoes; flat snoken mouth; limps slightly."

Such is the reward offered for the alleged slayer of E. F. Zaspell, the Heppner butcher, who was found brutally murdered last Sunday night. Webb left Heppner at 1 o'clock and was traced to Echo, where he took east bound train No. 6. The horse he rode was found near Echo. It is evident the murder was committed for money as the men were together Saturday evening in a saloon, and Zaspell flashed considerable money telling Webb and the bartender that he was going to buy a band of sheep and go to the Alberta country, where he had located some land, and go into business for himself.

No trace can be found of any deposit of this money in either bank. The bartender who saw the money says that there was over \$200 in bills beside considerable coin.

The .38-caliber revolver carried by Webb, which he had left at the Pacific Lodging house during his stay in town, and which he got Sunday evening just prior to leaving town, was found lying in the road near the Jack Matlock ranch, two miles above town, on Hinton creek. It is evident that Webb lost the gun as he was riding at

a rapid pace when he passed this point. Two shells were exploded in the gun, which tally with the wounds on Zaspell's body.

From the condition of the wound that caused death, it is evident Webb was sitting on the left of Zaspell, placing the end of the barrel at the butt of Zaspell's ear. The discharge severed the spinal column at the base of the skull. Then, to make sure of the work, there was a second shot which caused a slight flesh wound on the cheek.

VERDICT WAS MANSLAUGHTER

Reached in Horseman Case After Seventeen Ballots Were Taken.

State of Oregon vs. George L. Horseman.

"We, the jury in the above entitled case, find the defendant, George L. Horseman, guilty of manslaughter."

That George Horseman was not justified when he fired the shot that killed Clarence McBroom last May was declared yesterday by the jury in the Horseman case when it returned the above verdict.

Not only was Horseman held to be guilty of a crime, but during 17 ballots two men stood steadfastly for conviction of murder in the second degree. On the first ballot the vote stood two for second degree, five for manslaughter and five for not guilty. However those who had voted for acquittal explained to their fellow jurors that they did not really favor such a verdict but had voted so while they meditated upon the degree of guilt.

After the first ballot these men gradually changed their votes and upon the fifth ballot the voting was 10 for manslaughter and two for second degree. This was the situation when the jury retired for the night at 10:30, after having taken nine ballots. Next morning voting was resumed at an early hour and upon the 18th ballot the result was unanimous for manslaughter.

Tuesday morning, October 8, was then set by Judge Bean as a time for passing sentence upon Horseman and in behalf of the defendant Judge Fee asked until that time in which to file a motion for a new trial.

Wheat Land for Orchards.

Five thousand acres of wheat land to be cut up into five and 10-acre tracts to be irrigated and devoted to the raising of all varieties of fruit. Such is the proposition to be put up to the Pendleton Commercial club in the near future by men who are seeking support in their efforts to develop the territory surrounding Pendleton, states a dispatch.

YET MORE CRIMINAL CASES

Many Weeks Will Be Taken in Clearing of Docket.

Though the jury session of circuit court has now been on for 18 days, says the East Oregonian, and two murder cases have been disposed of, the criminal docket is far from being cleared. One murder trial and numerous minor criminal cases are yet to be worked out.

On next Monday morning the case of James Sawyer, charged with murder in the first degree for having shot Jack Monroe, will be called. Of the three murder trials for this term Sawyer is the only man indicted for murder in the first degree and consequently his case will be of additional interest through the fact that the defendant's life will be at stake.

Following the Sawyer case Jack McCarty will be tried for having robbed J. P. McManus in the Idle Hour rooming house. Interest in this case will lie largely in the fact that McCarty is the man whom the state sought to show McManus believed he had killed when he shot Bot Estes.

Aside from these there are several less important criminal cases pending and it will be many weeks before all can be tried.

Whitman College.

The attendance at Whitman is better this year than ever before. A twenty-five per cent increase in the college has filled every dormitory to overflowing. There is also a noticeable improvement in the quality of attendance, and the faculty feel that a finer body of students was never assembled in the college halls. The work is now fully under way, and the wheels are moving smoothly. Improvements have been made during the summer, much additional scientific apparatus has been installed in the laboratories, and the college library considerably increased. Some valuable pictures and statuary have been given to the College by private donors, enriching the artistic atmosphere.

Normal Prosperous.

New pupils continue to register at the Weston Normal, and before the fall season is over it is believed that there will be over 200 pupils enrolled. Active work in the different branches has been taken up and the school never looked so prosperous as it does now.

BOMB VICTIM DEAD

Ex-Sheriff at Baker City Who Was
Dynamited Monday Night
Succumbs to Wounds.

Harvey Brown, ex-sheriff of Baker county, was dynamited by an assassin, at the front gate to his home in Baker City Monday night at 10:30, and succumbed to his wounds at 3:10 Tuesday afternoon, after regaining consciousness and making the following statement:

"I was on my way home from up town last night when I met a man in front of a residence which is a block from my own house, and spoke. The man made no response. This man was about five feet ten inches tall, his weight was about 165 pounds. He wore a brown suit and celluloid collar, and was smooth shaven. I have been conscious of having been followed for the past three weeks, and I have no doubt that those who attempted my life are persons connected with the Western Federation of Miners, and that I was marked for death on account of my connection with the Stenness and Steve Adams cases."

The manner in which he met his death resembles to the remotest detail the assassination of ex-Governor Stenness of Idaho, nearly two years ago. At every turn one is confronted by the startling similarity to the Stenness outrage. Even the counterparts to the two red chalk marks which appeared on the Stenness gate are found on the gate posts of the fence.

He was returning to his home in the north part of the city after spending a few minutes down town. As he opened the gate to enter his own premises there was a terrific explosion and he was found in a horribly mangled condition lying on the sidewalk. One leg was blown entirely away, one arm badly shattered and otherwise seriously injured.

Three theories have been advanced as the probable cause of the crime. First, friends of Alex. Widdowson, who was tried and acquitted of the murder of Willard Moody of Pine valley. Second, the saloon and gambling element, who remember the days when Brown was sheriff and sat heavily on the "lid" for two years. Third, members of the Western Federation of Miners, Brown having for some time been in the employ of the state of Idaho through the Pinkerton Detective agency during the trial of Haywood.

The evidence given each theory varies with the personal knowledge of each individual citizen with the circumstances surrounding each of the above three possible causes.

He was known to be a courageous man and a detective of no mean ability.

In politics he was clean, above board and a consistent fighter. He was a candidate for the nomination for governor of the state of Oregon at the last direct primary election on the republican ticket, and polled a surprisingly large vote, though unsuccessful. He carried the city of Baker City and Baker county over C. A. Johns, then mayor of the city, who was also a candidate for the nomination for governor.

WALLA WALLA WHEAT MOVING

Large Sales at 76 Cents f. o. b. During Past Week.

Some of the biggest wheat sales of the season have been closed this week, says the Walla Walla Bulletin. Among the largest deals made by the Jones-Scott company was the purchase of 75,000 bushels from Ben Grote, 50,000 bushels from the Ennie estate, and 25,000 bushels from Roscoe Drumheller, the price in each instance being quoted in the neighborhood of 76 cents f. o. b.

More wheat has been moving this week than at any time previous this season. It is estimated that at least 2000 bushels of wheat and barley have been sold up to the present time. The total yield in this county will approximate about 5,000,000 bushels. More barley was raised this year than has ever been raised in the county before, and the price quoted, \$1.05, has made barley one of the most profitable crops produced. As a result of this year's experiments many farmers will next year increase the acreage in barley.

Trip to Lehman Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. King arrived home Wednesday from a couple of weeks' stay at Lehman springs, where they went for rest and recreation. Mrs. King has been ill for several weeks and the trip has resulted in improvement to her health.

BOOTH SUES FOR DAMAGES

Insurance Man Sues Pacific Insurance Co. for False Arrest.

H. T. Booth, has brought suit in the circuit court at Portland against the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance company to recover \$50,000 damages for

false arrest and defamation of character by the defendant company. Booth alleges in his complaint that circular letters have been sent out by the insurance company informing all the policy holders that he has been arrested and that this has in addition to the arrest itself and the consequent publicity, made it almost impossible for him to secure employment with any other insurance company or to obtain a new insurance business.

Booth is well known in this city and the outcome of the suit is looked forward to with interest by the public.

OPENING OF COLUMBIA BEGUN

An Epoch Marking Day in the History of Navigation.

A work which marks an epoch in Columbia river navigation was started Tuesday morning when a large crew and outfits left Portland to begin work on the Upper Columbia and Snake rivers.

The crews will be located at Umatilla first, and the work of blasting rocks from the Columbia both below and above that point will proceed.

This is the beginning of the work authorized by the government and will be prosecuted perhaps all winter. Large forces will be placed at different places on the streams and the obstructions will be removed as rapidly as men and power can do the work. The Open River Transportation company and all others interested in river navigation hail this beginning with delight, as it is the realization of a long-cherished dream in the inland empire.

New Portland-Pendleton Train

A new daily train between Portland and Pendleton will be put on by the O. R. & N. company, it is reported by the Pendleton papers. The train will make its first trip next Sunday. The principal object is to accommodate local traffic at all points, and relieve the Oregon traveling public of the hardships attending the uncertainty of the regular trains operated on through schedules to Huntington. The local train will be substituted for the present train that makes the run to Biggs. The running time of the new train will be as follows: Leave Portland every morning at 7:15, and Pendleton at 8 o'clock. Arrive at Portland at 5:15 p. m. and Pendleton at 4:10 p. m.

Senator Borah Acquitted.

One vote was sufficient to acquit United States Senator W. E. Borah. The defense submitted the case without argument and Judge Whitson charged the jury briefly, when it retired long enough to take one vote, returning immediately with a verdict of acquittal.

TEACHERS' ANNUAL INSTITUTE

Will Be Held in Pendleton October
Twenty-third.

On October 23 the annual institute for the teachers of this county will be held in Pendleton and County Superintendent Welles is now busy preparing the program for the occasion.

All of the teachers of the county will be required to attend and later on in the year the three local institutes will be held in the different portions of the county.

Among the speakers who have already promised to attend the annual institute and appear upon the program are J. H. Ackerman, state superintendent, Hon. W. K. Newell, who is to speak upon the subject of "Horticulture," and Miss Anna Knox, representative of the Prang Educational company, who will discuss the subject of drawing.

A Most Worthy Article.

When an article has been on the market for years and gains friends every year, it is safe to call this medicine a worthy one. Such is Ballard's Horebound Syrup. It positively cures coughs and all Pulmonary diseases. One of the best known merchants in Mobile, Ala., says:

"For five years my family has not been troubled with the winter coughs we owe this to Ballard's Horebound Syrup. I know it has saved my children from many sick spells." Sold by Wm. McBride.

Mission Meeting at Koepke Home.

Yesterday the ladies of the local auxiliary of the C. W. B. M. drove to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koepke, where the regular monthly meeting of the auxiliary was held. A most pleasant session was held, after which the palatial home was thrown open and the time spent in social intercourse. Tea was served in the spacious dining room by the hostess.

The old remedies are the best. Hickory Bark Cough Remedy has been in use for over one hundred years by the old Dutch Dandards of Pennsylvania, and is still in use by all the old families of Western Pennsylvania. Is absolutely pure; made from the bark of the white or shell bark hickory tree. The bark is shipped from the east, and manufactured in Walla Walla, Wash. For sale by Palaca Drug Store.

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