

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Fine Stationery at Norton's.

Fine up-to-date Ladies' Shoes just received at Peter Clausen's.

Andrew Soderstrom, a workman in the shipyard, cut his foot badly with an axe Thursday afternoon. He bled severely and may be permanently crippled.

Dr. Prentiss will be out of town until August 1st.

The lumber is on the ground for the Lutheran church improvement. A large L is to be built at the west end of the church.

Mrs. Masters makes a specialty of tailored suits at very reasonable prices.

The Marshfield second nine will go to Libby today to play the nine of that place. This will be the fourth game between these two clubs, Marshfield having already won two, while the Libby boys have one to their credit.

The Seventh Day Adventists will hold their annual campmeeting at Norway, commencing July 31st and continuing ten days. President Berg, of the North Pacific conference will be present.

The point lace makers met at Mrs. S. H. Hazard's Thursday afternoon, where they were most enjoyably entertained. Lace notes were compared and many a new stitch was taken and pointers given here and there. The club will meet again next Thursday at the home of Mrs. Jacobs, in South Marshfield.

Geo. Farrin has arranged with the Morgan Oyster Co., to handle their California Oysters. The first consignment arrives on the Alliance. If you want a treat drop in the Broiler and get a Oyster Cocktail. Family orders filled. 1000 large Eastern Oysters are also billed to Mr. Farrin. Delivered to families 50c. per doz.

Miss Mary Black, of Sumner, came down Tuesday and visited friends over night.

Mrs. H. E. Bessey, of the Coos Bay creamery, was shopping in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Crawford and son who are taking an outing in the county, came over from the Coquille yesterday and will visit their many friends on the Bay.

Harry Scott moved his household goods Friday to W. A. Lutz's place on Coos river.

Wm. Richards, engineer at the Bay City mill has been quite ill with typhoid fever, but is reported as improving.

The railroad surveyors are now working a line up Catching slough, having worked from Glasgow up the east side of the bay and across Coos river and the slough. The camp will soon be moved from South Marshfield to a point a few miles from Sumner.

Mrs. Kate Lando was a passenger on the Alliance for Portland, where she will visit friends a short time and then go to Cripple Creek, Colo., as grand delegate to the Grand Circle, Women of Woodcraft.

Here is a genuine pointer for the housewife: Sacchi has just received three new kinds of little cakes that you ought to know about. They are not cheap, but they are simply the most delicious things you ever laid your lip over. They melt in your mouth. Try them.

Coquille Bulletin—The first part of this week John Curren sold his interests in the Coquille Packing Co., to Johnson, Dean & Co., of the Pioneer Meat Market.

Port Orford Tribune—News is received here that a girl aged 20 or 23 years, a daughter of Robert Smith, of Gold Beach, was killed last Sunday by falling from a buggy, while returning from a dance at Baguoff Ferry. We have been unable to obtain full particulars.

F. S. Dow states that he has a hen that lays six eggs a day. At least, he only keeps one hen and he finds six eggs in her nest every night, and that seems to be good circumstantial evidence.

A. M. Twombly has resigned his position as night-watchman, and Tuesday night was his last night on the force. A McCulloch has been appointed as his successor.

Miss Ethel Jensen returned from Coquille yesterday, after a week's visit at that place.

The Southern Stock Company are now at Grants Pass and it is said will come over this way. This is the same troupe that showed in Marshfield last year and gave universal satisfaction.

The new butcher shop of Charles and Richard Noble was opened for business Tuesday. The new shop is in a good location on Front street, between the post office and the Garfield hotel, in a neat building erected for the purpose and well adapted for it. The two proprietors are both young men of energy, brought up in Marshfield, and they will doubtless build up a good business. Notice their ad on another page.

Read the announcement of Thos. Hirst, in another column. Mr. Hirst is going to discontinue the dry goods and clothing branches of his business, but will amplify and continue the grocery branch. He is offering genuine bargains in the lines he is closing out.

Everything confirms Tracy's story as the body is dressed as last seen when he and Merrill were together. The discovery has been kept secret until the arrival of Warden Jones, of Salem.

Dave Roberts, of Tenmile, is on the Bay on business, seeking medical or surgical aid for a broken down mowing machine.

Albert and George Bryant, of Oak, returned yesterday from a two weeks visit with the Baldersee families on Schofield and Brownell's at Gardiner. Holland Bros. shipped their horses across the bay from Peterson's landing to Marshfield.

Three teams were kept busy all day Tuesday hauling flour and feed from the Standard Oil warehouse. This looks as though Agent Dow were doing some business.

The schooner Ivy brought Del Monte flour for J. W. Flaagan and hay for Dean & Co.

C. P. Coleman, of Tenmile and Pete Peterson took a band of hogs to the Coos Bay creamery Tuesday.

A party of young people chartered a gasoline launch and went up to visit the campers at the Maze Tuesday evening.

Miss Emma Filteroft went up to Sumner Tuesday to visit for several weeks with friends there.

L. H. Heisner commenced Wednesday to fill up his lot adjoining the Baptist church, where he will erect a dwelling. Some of the dirt is being taken from the slope of the schoolhouse property, and the rest will come from J. W. Bennett's lot on Broadway.

The party of young people who chartered a gasoline launch and visited the campers at the Maze Tuesday evening got bogged on the way home and took the wrong channel below the creamery, fetching up in the old channel that runs down toward North Bend, where they lay until nearly morning.

The Coos Bay Iron Works recently cast the largest propeller they have yet attempted. It is 51 inches in diameter and weighs 430 pounds. It is for the steamer Favorite running on the Coquille river. It is now at Nelson's machine shop to be finished when it will be a very creditable piece of work for this local institution.

J. M. Stewart, the Coquille marble man, came over Wednesday on his wheel and returned the same day, after doing some work at the cemetery.

T. H. Barry, of Empire City, was in town Wednesday taking orders for the product of his crab and clam cannery. This office acknowledges the receipt of a sample can of crabs, which were pronounced clam muckamuck by the force last evening.

The four year old boy of Peter Clausen is suffering severely from an attack of something in the nature of neuralgia or inflammatory rheumatism in his legs.

Harry Backensto, a former resident of Marshfield, is holding a chair in Round's barber shop, and looks as natural as life.

It is reported out in Brewster valley that J. Pierpont Morgan is behind the Great Central Railroad Co. Some of the boys will be glad to hear this.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson, accompanied by Miss Newman, of San Francisco, went over to the Tenmile country Wednesday for a short outing, taking their buggy and driving horses along.

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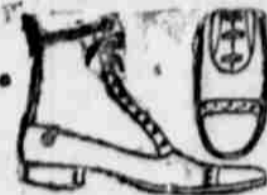
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THE LAST OF A DARING TRIO OF DESPERATE MEN

Fred Lee Rice Gets his Just Deserts—His Crimes Were Many—Money of no Avail

Toronto, Ont., July 19:—The Cabinet having declined to interfere, Fred Lee Rice, one of the most desperate criminals with which the Canadian authorities have had to deal in many years, paid the penalty of his misdeeds on the gallows today. The condemned criminal is an Illinois man, a former resident of Champaign and a student of the University of Illinois.

The crime for which he was executed was the outgrowth of a less heinous offence, the robbery of a bank, for which Rice and three confederates had received sentences of 21 years' imprisonment. Rice and his companions formed a gang of the most notorious and daring porch-climbers on the continent. Their field of operations was co-extensive with the continent. Wherever there was opportunity for plunder they went. They did not confine their operations to porch-climbing. Highway robbery, burglary and forgery were among their accomplishments, and for many years they baffled the efforts of the police to effect their capture. Originally the gang was composed of Rice, Frank Rutledge, a Canadian, and Frank Stewart. All were desperate characters, shrewd in their methods, skilled in the arts of the confidence man and utterly without fear. They made their headquarters in Chicago, but conducted their operations principally in other cities, returning to Chicago to dispose of and divide their plunder at stated intervals.

Rice was reared on a farm in the vicinity of Champaign and when he entered the college of literature and arts of the University of Illinois in 1888 he was a quiet, retired, country boy, whose refined manners and handsome face made him popular among the co-eds. Like many country boys, freedom from parental restraint, which he enjoyed at the university for the first time, had a serious effect on his morals, and in his second year he was known as one of the wildest men in the university. His evident large-heartedness and kindly disposition made him friends among both faculty and students and it was a long time before formal notice was taken of his actions by the board of administration. Finally, however, it was found necessary to expell him.

Soon after he left the university he became associated with the gang of which he is now the only survivor. He was the

cleverest of the lot and in most cases their leader in criminal exploits. He was called the forger, the scholar, the "poet" of the nefarious aggregation. He looked like a clergyman and had a gift of eloquence that astonished many a pleader. It was characteristic of him that he was the only one of the gang that ever attempted diplomacy. Cornered, he never offered to kill, but, preferring soft words, secured for himself the best of treatment in an extremity.

Frank Stewart, well known as a Chicago thief, was the first of the gang to die. He was killed in an attempt to escape after a Chicago hold-up. Jones was the next to pay the price. Rutledge committed suicide by dashing himself from the gallery of the Toronto jail to the stone-paved court thirty feet below.

The crime for which the gang were arrested and convicted was the robbery of a bank at Aurora, Ont., from which they secured about \$50,000. On information received from the Toronto police the entire gang were arrested in Chicago. Extradition proceedings were stubbornly fought in the courts, but the culprits eventually were brought to Canada, where, after trial, they were sentenced to 21 years' imprisonment. After their preliminary hearing they were committed to jail in a carriage in charge of Constables Stewart and Boyd a well-dressed man sprang from the side-walk near the jail and ran alongside the carriage. He gained the open window and tossed in a soft felt hat. This fell in the lap of Rutledge. Jones grabbed it and shook out three loaded revolvers. He grabbed one and Harris and Rutledge took the other two. All three were hand cuffed together, but this did not prevent quick action on their part. Jones shot Constable Boyd dead. Constable Stewart was fired on a dozen times, but not hit. The prisoners got out of the carriage, gained the street and jumped aboard a passing trolley car. Jones thrust his revolver at the head of the motorman and ordered him to send the car ahead fast. The motorman refused, shut off the current, detached his controller and beat Jones on the head with it. Constable Stewart by this time had gained the rear end of the car and he shot Jones through the arm. The three men were recaptured. Jones was taken to a hospital and his arm amputated. He died from the shock. Rice and Rutledge were returned to jail. While exercising in the gallery, Rutledge took the leap over the railing which ended his life. Rice was then tried for his part in the killing. His family and friends came to his rescue with funds but he was found guilty and given the extreme penalty.

Coquille Bulletin—Carl Walker, who is engaged as brakeman on the C. B. R. & E. R. R., has not only gained a reputation along that line, but has also made the acquaintance of a large portion of Marshfield's population, during his stay on the bay. It is rumored that Carl intends bringing one of his new acquaintances to this city on Sunday next for the purpose of introducing her to his parents.

Mrs. R. J. Coke and children left on the train Friday and will make a visit to friends and relatives on the Coquille; at Fairview and McKinley.