

## YOUTHFUL ROBBERS CONFINED IN JAIL

Sweet Home Lads Brought Here for Hearing Before County Judge.

## WERE OVER HEARD PLOTING TO STEAL MONEY

Appropriated Gold Watch and Rifle; Hearing Set for Saturday Morning.

Continued from Tuesday, July 29.

Brought here yesterday for a hearing before County Judge McKnight, Elmer Boucher and Ira Bird, both age 15, confessed, robbers and crime plotters, were placed in the county jail pending the appearance of their parents at the hearing which has been set for Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Young Boucher is the son of Geo. Boucher, and Bird is the step-son of Charles Wagner, of Sweet Home. The lads were brought here yesterday afternoon from that place by Deputy Sheriff Slavins and T. F. Brady upon the request of their parents.

No charge has been filed against them but from the information given out by Mr. Brady this morning, the boys have been guilty of several petty thefts and were overheard plotting to steal some money. They have made a clean breast of the crimes committed by them to Deputy Sheriff Slavins.

According to the story told by him, sometime last week the boys left their home, appropriating a .22 rifle from Charles Wagner, step-father of the Bird youth. They proceeded to Cascadia where they stole a gold watch. Later they returned to the neighborhood of Sweet Home and while conversing in an old shack, Mr. Brady overheard them plotting to rob young Bird's grandfather of \$400, which they knew he had at that time in his possession. It was Sunday morning when the youngsters were overheard planning the robbery and they intended committing the crime that night.

When Mr. Brady entered the shack after listening for some time to the conversation between the two, one of the youths who was holding the stolen watch, hurriedly threw it into a thicket. When questioned as to their intention they stoutly denied everything. The watch was found the next morning.

They were taken before Justice of the Peace William Daugherty of Sweet Home, who issued an order for their appearance before the county court.

Before legal papers can be drawn for their commitment to the reform school, it is necessary that the parents appear at the hearing. Papers have been issued for the summons of the parents and the hearing will take place Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

In the meantime the lads are being held in the county jail where they appear pleased about their reprieves and apparently enjoy talking of the experiences.

## LINN COUNTY PEOPLE GO TO LOMA MONTANA

East Knox Butte Residents Depart For North; Sunshine Circle Entertained.

East Knox Butte, July 29.—(Special to Democrat.)—The ladies of the Sunshine Circle were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. P. B. Marshall, July 24th.

After the business meeting a pleasing program was rendered.

The hostess was assisted in serving a dainty luncheon by the Misses Esther Copeland, Ruth Lines and Hazel Wallace.

Miss Mary Lines is spending the summer vacation at Cascadia as the guest of her uncle, G. M. Geisendorfer.

The Harmony grange initiated Mr. Verle Miller as new member at the last meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hect and family of Lincoln, Nebraska, who have been the guests of Mrs. Hect's brother, W. A. Martin, for the past few weeks, have gone to Roseburg where they will visit Mrs. Hect's mother before returning to their home.

Miss Myrtle Works left last week for Loma, Montana, where she will stay with her brother on his homestead.

The Seven Day Advent meetings which have been held for the past week at the East Knox Butte school house, were closed Saturday night. As a result of the meetings, six persons were baptised.

Mrs. E. L. McKeefe has gone to Loma, Mont., to join her husband who has a homestead there.

The Christian Endeavor which was organized some weeks ago is growing rapidly. Visitors will be welcome.

Miss Nelson McDonald left this noon for Lebanon where she will visit with friends.

## SEEKS APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT

States Highest Tribunal Will Decide Matter Concerning Livery Stable.

## JUDGE KELLY RULED IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANTS

Plaintiffs Want A. Jackel to Discontinue Livery Business at Lebanon.

That the plaintiffs will contest the case in the highest tribunals of the state, was indicated yesterday in the case of Seeck against Jackel, when a notice of appeal to the state supreme court was filed with County Clerk Marks.

The case on Judge Kelly's bar docket is entitled F. W. Seeck and J. H. Seeck vs. A. Jackel et al. Attorneys Weatherford & Weatherford of Albany and N. M. Newport of Lebanon represent the plaintiffs and Attorneys H. B. Chess of Lebanon and Colless and Skulason, of Portland, the defendants.

When tried before Judge Kelly in October last it was most hotly contested and created much interest. Bitterly fought from beginning to end by attorneys for both the defense and prosecution, Judge Kelly finally rendered a decision in favor of the defendants. Now the plaintiffs are going to take the matter to the higher court in an effort to get a settlement in their behalf.

The case arose over the sale of a horse stable in Lebanon, which was sold sometime ago by the plaintiff to the defendants.

The plaintiffs at the time were the owners of two barns. They desired to dispose of one, maintaining the other as a livery stable. Accordingly they sold the other barn to Jackel. In the contract of sale, according to the complaint it was stipulated that the barn was to be run by the purchaser as a feed stable exclusively, and this was as a condition upon which the barn was disposed of. In the complaint filed against Jackel by the Seecks he is charged with violation of this stipulation by conducting a livery barn in competition with the plaintiffs. On the other hand, according to the evidence introduced by defense for Jackel, he was ignorant of any such conditions in the contract of sale and the claim was made that it was misrepresented to him.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Zona Haight returned this noon from a week end visit at Newport.

Mrs. William Harrison returned yesterday to her home at Amity. She came to Albany to attend the funeral of the late J. W. Bentley.

Mrs. J. R. Geddes who has been visiting at the home of her son, A. L. Geddes has returned to her home in Mill City.

John Penland is spending the week in surveying an estate in the vicinity of Harrisburg.

C. W. Tehault left this morning on a protracted business trip through central California.

G. O. Van Cleve, a prosperous farmer living near Lacombe, transacted business here yesterday afternoon.

Leighton Steeves, son of Mayor Steeves of Salem, passed through the city this noon enroute to his home after an outing at Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Blain will leave tomorrow for Newport where they will spend a two weeks outing.

E. M. Morgan, of Creswell, arrived this noon on a brief business errand.

Mrs. E. J. Daly, of Woodburn, is the guest of friends here.

G. R. Bouell, of Salem transacted business here this morning.

Mrs. F. E. Stewart of Halsey spent yesterday afternoon here shopping. She returned home this morning.

Mrs. A. Wheelhouse, and children of Arlington, are stopping at the St. Francis.

J. A. McKillop has been busily engaged today in scraping moss from the roof of his grocery store at Second and Ferry streets.

E. H. McCune of the firm of Chambers & McCune, left today on a business trip to Portland.

Deputy Sheriff Slavins of Sweet Home was a visitor in the city last evening.

F. T. Brady of Sweet Home arrived in the city last evening for an overnight visit.

C. D. Rauch returned this noon from an over Sunday visit at Newport.

W. P. Reed, formerly employed on the Democrat but now a resident of Salem, was shaking hands with old friends in this city today. Mr. Reed left Albany more than a year ago and had worked in Albany for several years prior to his departure.

## ESCAPES INJURY ON EVE OF WEDDING

Earl Canfield Narrowly Escapes Being Run Over by Automobile.

## ACCIDENT HAPPENED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Bicycle Is Demolished; Young Man Is to Be Married This Evening.

On the eve of his wedding, Earl Canfield narrowly escaped death or serious injury under the wheels of an automobile yesterday afternoon.

The accident happened at the intersection of Fourth and Montgomery streets. Canfield was proceeding along Fourth street on a bicycle while the automobile driven by Orrin Anderson was approaching in the opposite direction. As the two vehicles neared each other a wagon crossed between them and the dust arose, blinded both the auto driver and the bicycle rider.

Suddenly the dust cleared away enough that Canfield saw that the automobile was directly upon him. He quickly jumped from his wheel, barely getting out of the way when the automobile despite the driver's frantic efforts ran directly across the bicycle lying in the street, completely demolishing the front wheel and a portion of the frame.

Save for a slight bruised and skinned knee, Canfield is none the worse. The bicycle is practically demolished beyond repairing.

No blame has been fixed for the accident. Canfield is to be married this evening to Miss Golda Yates, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Yates, 430 Jackson street.

## MILITIAMEN LEAVE FOR CLACKAMAS RIFLE RANGE

Team Representing the Local Company at State Shoot Departed This Noon.

Leaving this noon for Clackamas, Lieut. Knox, team captain, and Sergeants Hans Flo, Clarence Collins, William Ellis and Corporal Howard Morse, will represent the local militia company at the state rifle range, tomorrow, Thursday and Friday.

Scores of fine trophies have been offered as prizes for the best scores, and the members of the local team will doubtless capture their share, as they have diligently practiced on the local range for the past three weeks.

After a days practice at the rifle range the competitive rifle matches will be opened on Thursday. Teams representing nearly every militia company in the state will compete in the contests.

## Big Party Goes to Cascadia.

Tomorrow a party of 21 persons residing near Lawson station headed by Jim Foster will start for Cascadia for an over Sunday outing at the resort. The trip will be made by teams, and the big party expects to reach their destination by supper time. The party includes several families.

## Wedding to Take Place.

The wedding of Earl Canfield and Miss Golda Yates will take place this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Yates, 430 Jackson street. Rev. Leech will conduct the ceremony. It is to be quite an elaborate affair and invitations have been issued to scores of relatives and friends.

Dr. C. T. Norman who has been visiting at the home of Mayor Gilbert has returned to his home at Goldendale, Washington.

R. N. Steele is transacting business matters at Bussard.

Mr. G. Neely and wife are enjoying an outing at Breitenbush Hot Springs.

Miss Lucile Hart has returned from a visit with friends at Eugene.

Miss Ralston who has been a guest at the home of Miss Cora Hews has returned to her home at Corvallis.

Merrill Smith is spending the week at Breitenbush Hot Springs.

R. E. Crawford left yesterday afternoon on a business trip to Bussard.

Mr. and Mrs. Chambers of Eugene are guests at the home of Frank Powell.

Miss Lila Patton was a week end guest at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Patton, of Halsey.

## OPEN SEASON FOR DEER BEGINS FRIDAY

Scores of Albany Hunters Have Already Gone Off to the Woods.

## LICENSE COUNTER IS SCENE OF RUSH

Reports Say Country Is Full of Deer—Plenty to Go Round.

Friday, the open season for deer begins and after months of patient waiting several Albany hunters have already trudged off to the dark recesses of the tall uncut, there to lie in wait for the waning of July 31.

For the next two days County Clerk Marks anticipates an unprecedented rush to the hunting license counter. Already scores have been procured by the sportsmen of this city, who every year go in pursuit of the antlered beauties.

During last week County Clerk Marks dispensed 99 licenses of the various kinds, 36 of which were hunting licenses. With the nearer approach of the open season for deer this record is expected to be far surpassed during the present week. Thus far scores have already been sold. Nearly every person leaving on a summer vacation secures a license of some kind.

According to reports the woods are full of deer and if the hunters stick to the provisions of the law, which allows each hunter three trophies during the season, it is stated on good authority that there will be a great abundance to go round.

Mrs. Stetter went to Lebanon this noon, to visit with friends.

## IRRIGATION IS FOUND NECESSARY AT STATON

Hasn't Been a Day in Two Weeks This Process Has Not Been Used.

According to a statement made this morning by R. L. Burt, a farmer residing in the vicinity of West Staton, who is here transacting business, there has not been a day within the past two weeks that irrigation has not been used in the district adjacent to West Staton.

"One farmer," said Mr. Burt, "who did not get his potatoes in until after June 22 has succeeded by irrigation during the recent dry weather in bringing them to a fine condition. About four days after he irrigated his pumpkins they grew beautifully, while at the same time non-irrigated plants appeared to be in a dormant state. Another farmer declares that by irrigating his crop it increased 25 per cent."

## Will Go to Cascadia.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Dannels and Conductor Elmer Dannels will leave by automobile for Cascadia tomorrow morning where they will spend a week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Merrill, of this city, who have been camping at the resort for the past week.

## Has Caught 100 Dogs.

According to a statement made this morning by a Eugene man, the poundmaster of that city has caught 100 dogs during the present season and is still on the lookout for others.

Mrs. Alex Devine, of Lebanon, was in the city this afternoon as the guest of friends.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bond arrived this noon from Lebanon and will visit with Mrs. Sam Worrell. Their home is at Eugene.

Miss Tessie McLaughlin, of Salem, formerly of this city, passed through this noon enroute to Newport.

Miss Jewel Hendrickson, of Lebanon, arrived this noon to attend the funeral of her grandfather.

## REV. LEECH AND FAMILY GO ON OUTING IN MOUNTAINS

Leaving this morning for Upper Soda above Cascadia, Rev. D. H. Leech, wife and two daughters, Miss Esther and Miss Helen will join Prof. J. M. Speidel, of O. A. C. and Archer Leech, son of Rev. Leech, who preceded the party yesterday, where they will enjoy an outing of two weeks. Prof. Speidel and young Leech made the trip in a wagon carrying all of the camping outfits and were to have camp pitched upon the arrival of the rest of the party. Permanent camp will be maintained there. From there members of the party will take pack horses and go on expeditions into the mountains.

## QUEEN MARY TRYING TO STOP RAGTIME

King Has Band Rehearse in Palace Yard Before Functions.

## STATEMENT TO BE FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON

Expenditures Are Indicative of Importance of Oregon Ports.

LONDON, July 29.—There is a distinct lull in the popularity of ragtime, largely due to royal influence. King George is quite unmusical, but Queen Mary affects a mid-Victorian interest in Bach and Beethoven sonatas, and has frowned heavily on ragtime.

Yet ragtime kept creeping in at court and military functions. King George was so worked up about it that at a recent function he had the hands play in advance every single item on the programme in the gardens of Buckingham Palace, including "Abide With Me" and Tschai-kowsky's famous "Overture of 1812."

The latter nearly came under the royal ban, his Majesty being with some difficulty persuaded that the Russian "folk air" which crops up in it was not ragtime.

## ADDITIONAL TRAIN SERVICE DOES NOT CARRY MAIL

Shelburn, Or., July 29.—With the addition of the new motor car service on the Corvallis & Eastern railroad here today Shelburn now has eight passenger trains a day. The new car will make connections here morning and evening with the trains on the Southern Pacific line, which will make it convenient for passengers desiring to transfer for points east and north of here.

The new train service does not include additional mail service.

## Party Goes to Sulphur Springs.

Leaving this morning by automobile for Sulphur Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Austin and Misses Winnie Austin, Lora Taylor and Selma Teabull in the Austin car and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. French and daughters, Mrs. A. M. Williams of Portland and Mrs. Byron Taylor, of Corvallis, in the French car, will enjoy the day outing at the Springs. Mr. Austin and Mr. French intend to cast their fly while there.

## River at Lowest Stage.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 79 degrees and the minimum was 52. The river at present is at its lowest stage of the season of 21 feet.

## Sustains Dislocated Shoulder.

While ascending a scaffolding yesterday afternoon Frank Meister slipped and fell nearly 15 feet to the ground, and sustained a dislocated shoulder and minor bruises.

Mr. Meister had been working on the scaffolding in the construction of a house in the west end of the city. He is reported as resting comfortably today.

## BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC HELD TODAY

In charge of Superintendent Allen H. Banks, members of the Baptist Sunday school today are enjoying a picnic on the banks of the Willamette river north of Albany. With but few exceptions every member of the Sunday school attended the picnic, including all of the instructors.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Jones of Lebanon arrived this noon to visit with friends.

J. M. Hawkins went to Portland this morning on business.

Miss Blanche Harmon went to Corvallis this morning to be the guest of Miss Leona Kerr. She will attend the big social function to be given there by the "Coffee Club," a leading social organization of Corvallis.

J. H. Shorey and wife, of Portland, a district manager of the Warren Construction Co. was in the city yesterday afternoon attending to business matters. They were registered at the Hammel.

Attorney Frank Holmes of Salem arrived in Albany this morning and is attending to legal business before Judge Galloway. Attorney Holmes was a Democratic nominee for district attorney last fall.

Miss Bernice Hall is visiting with friends at Brownsville.

Mrs. E. Weaver is visiting with friends at Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Yoder left yesterday for Newport where they will spend several days.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Doughton have returned from a trip to the beach.

Miss Edith Edwards who has been a guest at the home of Mrs. E. H. Barnes has returned to Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Daniel Roth and Mrs. David Roth are spending a few days at Newport.

## MILLION SPENT IN OREGON DISTRICT

Engineer Completes Report of Years Work on Rivers and Harbors.

## STATEMENT TO BE FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON

Expenditures Are Indicative of Importance of Oregon Ports.

In the first Oregon river and harbor district the disbursements for the fiscal year ending June 30 totaled \$1,072,784.64, according to the annual report just completed by Major J. J. Morrow, corps of engineers, U. S. A., in charge, and which he will forward to the chief of engineers at Washington today. The expenditures in the various parts of the district were as follows:

Coquille, \$5,800.61; Coos Bay, \$16,196.76 for the deepening of the channel entrance to a point above Marshfield, which has been completed, and \$261,487.39, expended on the construction of the dredge, Colonel P. S. Machie for service at Coos Bay. She is 89 per cent. completed; Coos river, the improvement of which is being made in co-operation with local interests, \$106,857.20; Tillamook Bay and bar, \$3,167.50; Upper Columbia and Snake rivers—Cello Falls to Snake river, \$48,688.01; Snake River in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, \$18,411.63; Columbia River Three-Mile Rapids—improving; The Dalles-Cello canal project, \$558,661.14; Columbia River, Cascades, Or., \$739.38; operating and care of the Cascade Locks, \$11,410.42; Oregon Slough channel project in connection with local interests, \$27,495.51; examination, survey and contingencies of rivers and harbors, \$2534.98; Crater Lake National Park, \$10,586.61.

These enormous expenditures are strongly indicative of the importance of the Oregon ports and points out the fact that the opening of the Panama canal will establish a new era in this state. Authorities have cited that the portion of the state that will be most directly affected to the good will be the Willamette valley.

## JUDGE HARRIS HOLDS ROAD TAX LEVIES ARE VALID

Toledo, Or., July 29.—In a case brought to test the validity of special road tax levies in Lincoln county for the year 1911, a decision has been handed down by Circuit Judge Harris declaring the tax valid. The case was brought by a timber claim homesteader against the sheriff to enjoin the collection of the special road tax in district No. 8, seeking to upset the extension on the tax roll by proving technical irregularities in the conducting of the road district meeting at which the tax was levied. It is thought large timber interests were the backers, who also refused to pay the road tax.

## Administratrix Appointed.

Upon filing bonds in the sum of \$150, County Judge McKnight this morning granted the petition of Mrs. Maybell Brumfield, as administratrix of the \$850 estate of her late husband, Edward J. Hearn, who died at Harrisburg January 28, 1908. The estate is to be divided among two heirs, the administratrix and her daughter Emily Elmore, age 6. The heirs are residents of Lane county.

## New Express Wagon.

The new express wagon which will be put on the regular run by the Great Northern Express company was driven through the streets of Albany today. The office will not be opened however until the first of the month.

Jed Crawford returned this noon from Lebanon.

## CORVALLIS MAN BUYS DR. B. KAVANAUGH'S PRACTISE

Arriving today from Corvallis, Dr. A. T. Howells, a well known osteopathic physician from Corvallis announces that he has purchased the practice of Dr. Bernard Kavanaugh and will be found at his offices in the First Savings Bank building on and after August 1st. He will spend his entire time in Albany.

Dr. Howells is a graduate of the American school of Osteopathy of Kirksville, Missouri, and has been engaged in the practice for three years, and comes well recommended to this city.

Dr. Kavanaugh leaves tomorrow for California to take a course in surgery.