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PRISONERS ESCAPE FROM COUNTY JAIL

Took Advantage of Heavy Fog; Thompson and Wright Dashed to Liberty.

YOUTHS CHARGED WITH BURGLARY HEADING SOUTH

Broke Away While Prisoners Were As Usual Bringing in Wood This Morning.

Taking advantage of a thick fog and a second that Sheriff Bodine's back was turned Harvey Thompson and Harry Wright, between 16 and 17, made a dash for liberty this morning at 8 o'clock but the sheriff is confident he will recapture them before this afternoon.

One wearing a gray suit of clothes and the other a blue one, with their caps tucked in the pocket of their coats, it was afterwards learned, Thompson and Wright, who were awaiting the action of the grand jury in the county jail, on a burglary charge, were taken out this morning as usual in company with the other prisoners to bring in wood from the woodhouse in the rear of the building. Each of the prisoners secured an armful and as they filed back to the front door, Sheriff Bodine went ahead to open the door. Thompson and Wright remained behind. After opening the door, the sheriff immediately returned to hurry up the lagging youths. He had no sooner turned when he learned the boys had escaped.

Unrecognized By Officers.
They ran diagonally across the court house lawn to the northwest corner and thence up Fourth street. Passing Martin Bilyeu, who was outside the building, the court house janitor, who acts as a special policeman, and no particular attention to them as he thought that they were a couple of school boys romping about. The fog was so thick that it would have been hard to recognize them. Both boys in their flight did not have on their caps. Running up Fourth street to Washington, it appeared that the boys were divided as to which way to go. Finally one went straight on while the other went north.

They are described as wearing gray and blue suits and being about the same height. One is of a very light complexion and the other of a red complexion, having dark red hair. They had no money. Investigation of their cells developed that they had not only taken pains to put on their coats before being taken out, but that they had also taken their caps.

Seen Near Pirtle.
Shortly before 10 o'clock this morning, Sheriff Bodine received word from the Oregon Electric depot agent at Pirtle that he had seen youths answering the description, walking south along the railroad tracks. Authorities are of the opinion that they are heading it south as fast as they can, down the Oregon Electric right of way. Immediately upon this information, the sheriff ordered up a rig and left for Pirtle. He was accompanied by Constable Catlin.

Charged With Burglary.
It will be remembered that Thompson and Wright are the lads who are alleged to have robbed Dr. Wallace of doctor's instruments and Charles Prochnow of several pairs of shoes. Their homes are given as Independence. After a series of turns, one before the grand jury, and the others in the juvenile, justice and circuit courts, the authorities were unable to reach a decision in their case, because of a peculiarity of the law, in dealing with minors between the ages of 16 and 18. Finally they were rebound to the grand jury by Justice Swan. When an indictment is returned it will have to be shown that they have been before the juvenile court.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon Sheriff Bodine had not returned.

Mrs. Mabel Schroeder of Gates visited a couple of days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beeson, of this city.

C. A. Hearing, of Corvallis, transacted business here this morning.

John Stute, of Woodburn, was in Albany yesterday afternoon visiting friends.

E. Hall, of Salem, was a visitor in the city yesterday. He stopped at the Hammel.

A. Erickson, of Corvallis, transacted business here Saturday, stopping over Sunday and returning home last evening.

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MISS BEESON'S SCHOOL IS SECOND STANDARDIZED

Gates School Taught by Albany Girl Is Honored by Supervisor Benner.

That the school taught at Gates, Or., which is in District No. 121, by Miss Mammie Beeson, of Albany is the second school in the county to be standardized under the new system, recently inaugurated by Superintendent Jackson and assistants, became known this morning through a letter received from Gates.

The letter says: "Supervisor Benner was in Gates the other day and standardized the school of District 121. It is the second in the county to become standardized. In a few weeks the pennant will be received, and the occasion will be celebrated by a gathering. The supervisors plan to have parents' meetings throughout the county. About three districts will go in by virtue of this plan together and will give spelling contests, and similar events. Different school problems will be discussed by able speakers."

ATTY. GENERAL'S OPINION NOT TAKEN AS FINAL

Crawford Reversed Himself in Opinion Given to County School Superintendent.

The fact that the attorney general has reversed himself on the proposed transfer of the Central school site for the college grounds has by no means settled the question. The opinion of the attorney general, or more properly speaking, his later opinion, has no legal standing in the courts and does not decide the case. His first opinion favored the transfer. His second opinion is to the effect that the transfer was not properly made.

Friends of the proposed exchange of the property assert that the last opinion was based upon a general question put to the officer by the state superintendent while the first was given in response to a question put by the local school board and upon a case in which all of the facts and circumstances had been presented in detail for his consideration. They therefore contend that the first opinion is in all probability correct.

In any event both the school board and the city authorities are satisfied that they are proceeding legally in the matter and propose to complete the transfer. A number of the best lawyers in Albany have passed upon the case and are agreed that the school board is acting in the proper manner. The friends of the exchange are not willing to accept as final, the opinion of Crawford in the matter upon which he has reversed himself.

CITY NEWS

Many More Hobos.—The night police, Rodgers and Marshall, report that 19 hobos were taken in Saturday night and 5 Sunday. After remaining in the jail over night the boys were released and told to get a move on. No arrests were made Saturday or Sunday.

Butte People Go to Gates.—Arriving in the city yesterday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bartlett and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Taylor, all of Butte, Mont., left this morning after spending the night at the St. Francis, for Gates, where they will visit relatives.

Stewart to Return Soon.—Manager Stewart, who is visiting friends and relatives in Iowa, after attending the Chicago land show, is expected home about next Saturday.

Commercial Club Board to Meet.—Tonight the regular meeting of the Commercial club board will be held at the usual time. It is hoped that a large attendance will be had.

Burned Man Able to Be Out.—James Harkins, an umbrella mender, who was severely burned about the back and arms about three weeks ago when the city jail caught fire, while he was incarcerated on a drunk charge, is reported as discharged from the hospital yesterday, having recovered sufficiently from his injuries.

Served Five Days.—Jack Rains, who has served five days in the city jail on a charge of drunkenness, was this morning released, declaring that nobody was to blame but himself. He has worked faithfully on the streets during his incarceration.

Strong Sermon Preached.—An earnest desire to learn the true Bible statements on this important question of "where are the Dead" brought a good sized audience out yesterday afternoon to hear Pastor Daniel Toole, of New York City, preach in the armory. The speaker proved to be a very able man.

Weather Fair.—The range of temperature for 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this a. m. was 57 to 34. The rainfall for the same period was .05 inches. The weather report says fair tonight and Tuesday.

FEDERALS RESIST REBEL ATTACK

Rebels Retire from Tampico: Believed That They Will Return and Renew Fight.

MANY AMERICANS ARE TAKEN ON BOARD SHIPS

Water Supply of Tampico Is Cut Off; Locomotives Taken Away by Rebel Bands.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 15.—Though the rebels withdrew from Tampico and immediate vicinity, according to a wireless from Admiral Fletcher, it is believed that a resumption of the attack is only a question of as much time as is needed to re-supply themselves with ammunition and bring up more artillery from Victoria. Before going, Admiral Fletcher stated, the rebels cut off the city's water supply and also took all of the locomotives, thus furnishing themselves with a means of transportation of military supplies to the front.

No definite news was received as to the number of killed in the fighting which appears to have continued until late Saturday but it is believed that the fatalities are numerous. The liner Moro Castle arrived off Tampico today to take the refugees to Galveston but the sea was reported so heavy that the work of transferring the passengers from the warship was delayed. According to the official version, 507 Americans were taken aboard the American vessels.

Big Battle Progresses.
Mexico City, Dec. 15.—Desperate fighting raged at Mazatlan today, according to detailed and seemingly trustworthy information received.

The rebels seized the launches, mounted machine guns on them and are now storming the city. The federals are reported fighting from behind an embankment on the shore. Their ammunition is said to be running short. American Consul Alger is believed to be in Mazatlan and many foreigners are in the city.

McPHERSON POST AND FAIR OAKS CIRCLE ELECT OFFICERS

Orders of Local G. A. R. Will Install New Leaders Early Next Month.

Meeting Saturday afternoon at their headquarters in the armory, the men of McPherson Post G. A. R. and the ladies of Fair Oaks Circle, G. A. R., elected officers for the ensuing year. The officers will not be installed until the first Tuesday in January. All of the officers elected by Fair Oaks circle could not be secured at the hour of going to press and the full list will not be published until tomorrow.

L. J. Fish was re-elected commander of McPherson post for another year. He has served faithfully and has taken an active part in the work of the post.

Other officers elected are as follows: Senior vice commander, Martin Minnard; junior vice commander, Comrade Wheeler; chaplain, W. P. Small; guard, William Meyer; surgeon, Comrade Rolfe; quartermaster, Ed. Washburn; officer of the day, Comrade Smith. Comrade Fish announced this afternoon that he would appoint A. Crooks to act as his adjutant.

The delegates to the next convention of war veterans chose are: Messrs. Carnine, Wheeler and Smith of war veterans chosen are: names could not be learned in time.

Supreme Court Adjourns for Holidays
(By United Press Association)
Washington, Dec. 15.—The United States Supreme Court adjourned for the holidays without deciding the important cases which are pending before the court. The recess will extend to January 5.

Mrs. H. N. Bouley, of near Jefferson, formerly of Albany, arrived in the city this afternoon to shop.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Weatherford returned this noon from an over Sunday visit at Newport.

Jack Green, of Salem, returned to his home yesterday afternoon after attending business here Saturday.

Judge and Mrs. P. R. Kelly returned this noon from a week end visit at Newport.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnston, Saturday, a baby girl. Mother and daughter doing well.

BLAZE STARTED BY MILITANTS

Women Set Fire to Lumber Yard in Revenge for Mrs. Pankhurst's Treatment.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS AID IN FIRE FIGHTING

Daughter of Mrs. Pankhurst Is Released After Going on Long Hunger Strike.

(By United Press Association)
London, Dec. 15.—The militants started a fire at Davenport which did \$300,000 damage. The conflagration destroyed the Fox-Elliott company's lumber yard, and several nearby buildings. For a time it threatened to spread to other structures. The soldiers of Davenport barracks and the sailors from the warships aided the firemen.

The incendiaries left a placard inscribed, "Revenge for Mrs. Pankhurst." Sylvia Pankhurst, who like her mother, is serving in jail under a sentence for rioting, was released today after being on the point of death as a result of a hunger and thirst strike. Her mother is still in prison.

SPILLS CATSUP IN LADY'S LAP; MARRIES

Los Angeles, Dec. 15.—G. L. Augustine and Lillian Pittinger, were married here, the result of an acquaintance beginning when Augustine spilled a bottle of catsup in the lady's lap in the dining car.

Couple Make Purity Contract

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Clement Cunningham, steel magnate, declared that his wife's refusal to break a purity compact she said they made when they were married years ago, was responsible for the divorce suit now pending between them. Their friends believed the couple would become reconciled.

CLUE OBTAINED TO WALLACE POSTOFFICE ROBBERY

Believed That Government Employee Is Connected with Crime.

(By United Press Association)
Wallace, Ida., Dec. 15.—Although those in charge of the investigation refused to divulge the name of the person suspected, at least one arrest is expected soon in connection with the robbery of the post office here of the sum of \$17,000 on Saturday night. It is understood that post office inspectors have almost enough evidence to warrant arrest. The examination made by them failed to reveal the methods used in causing the explosion, or the implement used to open the safe from which the money was stolen. Police Chief McKinley said it seemed certain that someone in the post office must have taken the money but asserted that no one is under surveillance.

THREE NIGGERS WERE SOLD AT OLD TIME MISSOURI SALE

Grant Pirtle this afternoon displayed a copy of the Bloomfield Democrat, of Bloomfield, Iowa, of December 11, 1913, in which was the following concerning an old time sale held in Pike county, Missouri, 67 years ago, and it will no doubt prove interesting to the people of today.

"Public Sale—State of Missouri, county of Pike: To whom it may concern: The undersigned will sell on Tuesday, Sept. 29, A. D. 1846, at public outcry for cash on premises where Coon Creek crosses the old Mission road, the following chattels, to wit: Six yoke of oxen with yokes and chains, two wagons with beds, three nigger wenchies, 4 niggers, 3 nigger boys, 2 prairie plows, 25 steel traps, 1 barrel of pickled cabbage, 1 hoghead of tobacco, 1 lot of nigger hoes, 1 spinning wheel, 1 loom, 3 fox hounds, a lot of coon, mink and skunk skins and a lot of other articles. 'Am gwine to California. Richard Rose, cryer. Free head cheese, apples and hard cider."

J. T. Williams, of Salem, was in the city yesterday. He stopped at the St. Francis.

Joe Ewing, of Lebanon, was in the city yesterday, returning home last night.

RICHARDS CHARGED WITH CONTEMPT OF COURT

Alleged Unattentive Parent Charged with Sending Daughter Away.

Charged with contempt of court, Ed. Richards is in the custody of the sheriff on the alleged grounds that he sent his minor daughter, Pearl, out of the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, while her case was being considered by Judge McKnight.

Several weeks ago Richards and his daughter Pearl were haled in court upon the complaint of a woman, that she did not receive proper parental care from her father. Her mother is deceased. Richards is a laborer. After hearing evidence in the case Judge McKnight took it under advisement and set the final hearing for today.

Appearing before the court this afternoon, Richards was unaccompanied by the girl. Inquiry as to where she was brought a response that she was in California. Later Richards is accredited as saying she was at Tillamook, Or., where he had sent her to reside with a relative. Just what action will be taken in regard to Richards could not be learned at present.

MRS. ADDIE GARMAN CAMERON WAS LAID TO REST TODAY

Funeral of Beloved Lady Held This Afternoon at First Methodist Church.

Among the largest funerals ever held in the history of Albany took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church when the friends of the late Mrs. Addie Garman Cameron, the wife of Councilman M. J. Cameron, assembled to pay their last respects to the beloved lady.

A beautiful and touching tribute to the deceased was paid by Rev. D. H. Leach, who briefly reviewed her life's work, calling attention to her many noble characteristics and pointing out her wonderful capacity to make friends.

The remains laid in state at the church for half an hour prior to the service and scores of friends viewed them. The church was filled when the service commenced. Members of the city council attended the funeral in a body. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.

The remains were carried to the city cemetery, escorted by a long procession of hacks and vehicles, filled with the immediate family and relatives and devoted friends, where a short burial service was held.

O. L. Smallwood is in Portland attending business matters. He is expected to return tonight.

CITY NEWS

Civic Club Meets.—The Ladies Civic Improvement club is meeting this afternoon at the Commercial club. Matters of more or less importance are being discussed and committee reports are to be received. The meeting is well attended.

Theft of Holly Reported.—J. C. Harkness of East Sixth street, this morning reported to the police that miscreants yesterday sometime tore down a seven foot fence about a beautiful holly bush growing at his home and broke off several large branches. He is rightfully indignant about the matter and will prosecute the guilty parties if they are found. The police are on the lookout. They are determined to stop such a practice.

Unique Guessing Contest.—Crowds have been standing in front of F. M. French & Son's jewelry store all day today. The attraction, not to speak of the splendid window decoration, is a guessing contest, the prize being a handsome \$10 ruby ring. Hundreds of rings are placed about the window and the idea of the contest is to guess the number and Tuesday night at 8 o'clock the prize will be awarded to the person guessing the nearest to the correct number. Guesses are registered in the store.

McClure Visits Brother.—C. H. McClure, former member of the United States army but now a prosperous merchant of the Philippine Islands arrived in Albany Sunday and is a guest at the home of his brother, D. C. McClure. Mr. McClure has been a resident of the island for the past sixteen years.

O. A. C. Band Monday.—The O. A. C. cadet band will appear here in concert Monday evening at the armory, in a repertoire of popular and concert musical numbers. Special individual musical and oratorical features will be given by the various handsmen. This will be an entertainment worth while and from indication will be attended by a full house. Scores have been applied for tickets.

To Take Load of Trees East.—W. A. Leabitter, of the Albany Nurseries, Inc., will leave tomorrow for Troy, Tenn., to receive and superintend the unloading of a carload of very trees which will be shipped from here by the nursery company tomorrow.

WRESTLING MATCH ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Bob Peterson Champion of Alaska and Jack Oneil, Gotch Trainer, Principals.

WO PRELIMINARIES WILL BE GIVEN BY O. A. C. MEN

Ladies Are Invited; Under Auspices of Albany Military Club.

Promoted by Merle Hammel, assisted by Capt. F. M. Powell, a wrestling match that promises to be a great attraction, because of the prominence of the principals, will be staged here Thursday night in the armory under the auspices of the Albany Military club. There will be two preliminaries to the match. Arrangements will be made for the accommodation of women spectators as well as the men.

Bob Peterson, 180 pounds, at present the champion of Alaska, and Jack Oneil, 186 pounds, original trainer of Gotch, and winner of many matches all over the country, will be the principals. Both reside in Corvallis. Oneil made the tour of the world with Dr. Koller, and Indian Three Feather, as trainer and preliminary artist, besides appearing many times on the mat in Chicago and other big cities of the country. No other man is perhaps as familiar with the game as he is. Peterson is reputed to be one of the best wrestlers in his class and defeated all comers in Alaska during his residence there. He has only been here a short while. He was one of the wrestlers during the Moose blow-out two weeks ago and won over Muck of O. A. C., two out of three. An effort is being made to have Dr. Koller come down from Seattle to referee the bout.

One of the preliminaries will be between Muck, of O. A. C., and another O. A. C. man. Muck has the championship of O. A. C. and the University of Washington. The other preliminary will probably be between another O. A. C. man and an Albany man. Full arrangements for the preliminaries have not been made but these are the proposed plans. Definite announcement will be made later on.

The promoters wish to impress it upon the public that the match will be strictly on the square and that it will be a straight and clean event. Certain seats will be reserved for the ladies and it is hoped that they will turn out. There will be orchestra music during the evening. The idea of staging the matches here is to provide a little out of the ordinary entertainment for local sport fans. The probabilities are that a special train will be run over the Oregon Electric from Corvallis as many of the O. A. C. students desire to witness the contest.

There is keen rivalry between Peterson and Oneil and a great mat bout is predicted. They have been residing in Corvallis for some time where they are engaged in occupations and they are to wrestle here Thursday night purely for the sport there is in it. The first event will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

ASHER REPLIES TO CRABTREE CORRESPONDENT

Crabtree, Or., Dec. 13.—(To the Editor.)—The Democrat of December 12 brings an apology from Mrs. D. Wm. Hatch for the writing of the article of November 11th in regard to Crabtree being an ignorant, backwoods precinct. We, as readers of the Democrat, appreciate her very much.

Mrs. D. Wm. Hatch was somewhat mistaken on the intent of my letter of Dec. 2nd. It was not the appropriation for the University of Oregon but the sham she gave Crabtree.

Surely Mrs. D. Wm. Hatch did not think what position "he" held when she said, "as he returned from reading the election returns," and then goes on repeating his words. Who was "he"? Was it her husband, teacher of the union high school No. 1, of Linn county, situated at Crabtree? He, who seeks employment here for the support of her and her babies?

I may be one of her so called "without brains or intellect," but where we have a union high school (which few backwoods precincts have), there are hopes of redemption for the younger generation.

Thanking Mrs. D. Wm. Hatch for her kind words, I am
H. C. ASHER.

M. Mattson, of Corvallis, transacted business here Saturday afternoon. Miss Mammie Beeson came down from Gates Friday night for an over-Sunday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beeson.