

WEDNESDAY

DWELLING BURNS HERE EARLY TODAY

Cottage Owned by Dr. Hill on
Montgomery Street Is
Totally Destroyed.

EARLY MORNING BLAZE IS
EVIDENTLY INCENDIARY

Building Was Constructed by
Physician Several Years
Ago—Loss Is \$1000.

For the second time this week, the fire department was called out to quench an early morning fire, both of which were undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

The fire this morning occurred shortly before three o'clock and resulted in the destruction of the one-story frame cottage owned by Dr. J. L. Hill which is situated on Montgomery street midway between First and Second streets.

The alarm was sounded at 2:45 o'clock this morning and when the fire apparatus arrived on the scene a few minutes later, the house was a roaring furnace, while the smell of burning coal oil pervaded the early morning air.

Two streams from the engine at First and Montgomery streets and one from a hydrant were soon playing on the flames which seemed to stimulate them to greater proportions. While the fire was in complete control of the firemen within fifteen minutes of their arrival, the blaze was not completely extinguished until nearly 4 o'clock when the apparatus was returned to the engine house.

The house was not occupied but was rented by J. D. Kennedy of this city and contained a bed in the front room and a cot in one of the rear rooms, while in the kitchen a cook stove which had evidently not been used for some time stood at one end of the room.

A number of brimstone cooking utensils were also found in the kitchen. In the cellar were found seven barrels of empty beer bottles and thirty or forty empty whisky bottles. Several empty demijohns were lying in a corner of one of the rooms in the basement.

After the flames had been quenched this morning, Fire Chief Hoekspiers made an examination of the interior of the house and in the bedroom a man's black felt hat which had evidently been worn lately for there was nothing to indicate that the hat had been lying around for any length of time, it having the appearance of having been worn a short time before being found.

The hat contained nothing by which its owner might be identified.

While endeavoring to direct the water on the flames this morning, the firemen accidentally turned the stream into the crowd, knocking Mrs. Olin and a number of men who were watching the blaze, off their feet. Mrs. Olin was fortunately not injured but her clothing was soaked through by the water, as well as the clothing of the men.

One of the Chinamen residing at the corner of First and Montgomery streets is said to have seen a man running away from the house a short time before the fire broke out. The building burned was occupied formerly by women of ill repute and was constructed several years ago by Dr. Hill. The structure was insured at one time but the insurance had lately expired. Dr. Hill places his loss at \$1000.

ETHER FAILS TO LOOSEN THIS CONVICT'S TONGUE

Sacramento, Cal., July 31.—Even the ether test left alienists absolutely undecided today whether Charles Carson, a convict in Folsom penitentiary, had been stricken dumb or is shamming. He has not spoken a word for two years and six months.

The common effect of ether is to loosen the tongue while the subject is coming under or out of its effects. It was expected that Carson would lose voluntary control of his vocal organs and reply to questions put to him by the physicians, but no sound escaped his lips.

Carson was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1904 for assault and robbery. Two years later he was given a sentence of death for his share in a murderous jail break, and several times has been reprieved. He is a South Carolinian.

Mrs. J. Cornett of Shedd's who has been seriously ill with follicular tonsillitis, is said to be improving.

PARTY OF LOCAL MEN LEAVE FOR DALY LAKE ON OUTING

Bunch Will Spend Two Weeks In
Heart of Cascade Mountains
Hunting and Fishing

A lively crowd of young men left this morning for Detroit where they will spend a couple of weeks in the Cascades on a fishing and hunting trip and to rest up from their strenuous labor of the past year.

The party took along everything essential for an enjoyable outing and are expecting to have "some" time in the hills. From Detroit they will pack into Daly Lake, a distance of 15 miles where they will pitch camp and make their headquarters, while they whip the lake for trout and beat the brush for deer.

The Democrat representative was promised some trout and venison and warned the bunch not to come back without one or the other.

The members of the party were: Rufus M. Russell, deputy county clerk; Frank Eyrond, bookkeeper for the Albany Nursery Company; Rollin G. Hackleman, city mail carrier; Will G. Meyer, money order clerk at the local postoffice; Alvin C. Baker, mail transfer clerk at the union depot; Albert Joffray, mail transfer clerk at the Portland union depot and formerly of Albany; Frank Rosebaugh of the railway mail service; Fred W. Smith of Portland, president of the 13th division, R. M. S.; and Burleigh J. Westfall, railway mail clerk on the Portland-Ashtland division.

Anyone camping in the vicinity of Daly Lake are hereby warned that the bunch is coming and to keep their eyes on them.

THIS GIRL SAYS THAT CHAPERONES ARE NUISANCE

Los Angeles, July 31.—With the right to vote, Miss Belle J. Brittan, heiress to a million dollars in her own right, and belle of the fashionable society set of San Mateo, has taken one more step toward establishing the independence of women by journeying today to Long Beach without a chaperone.

Miss Brittan is the daughter of the late Col. Nathaniel J. Brittan, wealthy club man of San Francisco, traveler and collector of antiques.

"Chaperones and everything likened thereto are useless appendages to society," Miss Brittan said today. "We call them bugaboo ladies because their presence, or even mention of them, raises a cold chill."

"Many a happy flirtation has become snowcapped because of the persistent presence of a lantern visaged friend of mother's. American womanhood is not in need of chaperones. Let the decadent English aristocracy keep these mellowed dames as part and parcel of itself. As for America, or more logically speaking, my California, I have abandoned an ancient custom of no earthly use whatever, and I trust that every American girl of mediocre intelligence will do likewise."

YOUNG SON OF MR. AND MRS. BERT BOLES CUT HIS HAND

While watching his father build a sidewalk at his home in Sunrise last evening, little Herbert, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boles, fell and struck his head on a board, cutting a gash nearly two inches long over his left eye.

Dr. Russell Wallace was called and took two stitches in the youngster's head. The little fellow is suffering no ill effect from the result of his accident and accompanied his mother and brother Edwin to Philomath this morning on a visit with relatives.

THE LINN INVESTMENT COMPANY FILES ARTICLES

The Linn Investment company is the name of a new corporation which filed its articles of incorporation at the county clerk's office this morning, the names of the incorporators being Walter Bilyeu, L. H. Fish, A. J. Hodges, Grant Pirtle and C. H. Wieder, all of Albany.

The principal object and purpose of the corporation as set forth in the articles is as follows: To buy and sell real estate, build houses and the selling and leasing of the same and to purchase, acquire and dispose of personal property.

Mrs. Owen Beam and daughter left this morning for Newport where they will spend a few weeks enjoying an outing at the beach.

Floyd Bilyeu, formerly a student of Albany College, but now a prosperous real estate man of Portland, was calling upon old friends in this city today. Mr. Bilyeu left Albany some six years ago and was more than surprised at the many improvements which have taken place since his last visit.

EVANS NOT GUILTY VERDICT OF JURY

Jury Deliberates on Case but
Five Minutes in Justice
Court Yesterday.

JURY RECOMMENDS THAT
JUDGE REPRIMAND BOYS

Complaint Charged Evans With
Assault Upon Merrick Darcy
of East Albany.

The case of Oregon vs. Marvin Evans who was arrested last Saturday on a complaint charging him with assault upon Merrick Darcy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Darcy of this city, was begun in the circuit court room yesterday afternoon before Judge Swan and the following jury: A. W. McClain, J. N. Chambers, J. L. Irvin, C. C. Cameron, S. G. Simon and W. A. Eastburn.

Attorney W. S. Risley appeared for the defendant and Gale S. Hill for the state.

After hearing the evidence the case was given to the jury at 4:45 o'clock and they returned a verdict of "not guilty" after but five minutes deliberation.

The case was the outgrowth of a neighborhood fight between the Darcy boy and the children of a Mr. Edwards. Witnesses testified that the Darcy boy was in the habit of administering punishment upon the Edwards children whenever he got a chance and was told by Evans who is related to the Evans children that the next time he slapped them, he, Evans, would take a hand in it himself.

The Darcy boy alleged that Evans struck him, but the jury didn't seem to think so and rendered a verdict accordingly. There were a large bunch of small children mixed up in the case and the jury in handing in the verdict, recommended that all of them be reprimanded by Judge Swan.

GEORGE VANDERBILT GIVES \$50,000 FOR BETTER VIEW

Asheville, July 31.—Believing that a perfect view from Baltimore House of the western mountain possessions is worth more than \$50,000, George W. Vanderbilt has ordered the tearing down of a thirty-room three-story residence on his estate, about three miles from the white-walled chateau.

The residence was built fifteen years ago by Mrs. Mitchell, sister-in-law of Marshall Field, at a cost of \$36,000, and equipped with hardwoods which would now cost 50 per cent more. It was bought five years ago by Mr. Vanderbilt for the sake of the land surrounding it.

He considered the house so slightly that most of the time it has been occupied by tenants rent free. Only recently did Mr. Vanderbilt note that the house slightly interfered with his view.

400 PASSENGERS PER DAY IS CLAIM OF O. E. OFFICIAL

G. A. Coolidge, general manager of the Oregon Electric Railway; W. E. Coman, general passenger and freight agent, and W. P. Powers arrived on the Oregon Electric this morning at 11:30 and will return to Portland this evening.

Mr. Coman stated to the Democrat representative that the passenger department of the Oregon Electric is handling between four and five hundred passengers a day between Albany and Portland. He expressed himself as pleased at the prospects for increased business.

NORTH ALBANY WILL CROSS BATS WITH RIVERSIDE NINE

There will be a ball game at Athletic Park next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock between North Albany and Riverside. Both teams are said to be in excellent trim for the contest and a live game is anticipated. An admission fee of 25c will be charged, with grandstand free. The battery for North Albany will be Kay and Springer.

The Portland Journal last evening contained a long dispatch from this city assailing the blind pigs of this city, telling of how one man lost an eye in a drunken brawl a few nights ago, and of the amount of booze being shipped here, etc.

AUTOMOBILES MIX ON FIRST STREET

Cars Driven by Evelyn Marshall
and J. C. Neil of Brownsville
Collide at Noon.

BOTH TRAVELLING SLOW
AND NOBODY WAS INJURED

Neil Is Arrested and Fined \$10
and Costs by Police Judge
Van Tassel.

An automobile accident occurred this noon at the corner of First and Broadalbin streets, which, owing to the slow speed at which the cars were traveling, resulted in no one being hurt, and in the arrest of J. T. Neil of Brownsville for violating the traffic regulations by driving on the wrong side of the street.

Neil attempted to make a short turn at Broadalbin street and smashed squarely into the runabout driven by Miss Evelyn Marshall, daughter of Dr. Mary Marshall of this city. The front fender was broken on Miss Marshall's car and the axles sprung, but the Neil car escaped uninjured.

Neil was arrested a short time after the collision by Chief of Police Daugherty on a complaint charging him with violation of the automobile traffic ordinance. He was arraigned in police court this afternoon where he pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 and costs by Judge Van Tassel, which he paid.

The car driven by Neil was a four-passenger "Reo" and Miss Marshall drove a Ford runabout. The officers of the city are bent on enforcing the automobile laws here.

MYRTLE ROGERS AND CONRAD OLSEN MARRIED TODAY

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Rogers of 422 Hill street, Mr. Conrad Olsen and Miss Myrtle Rogers were united in marriage at 11:30 this morning, the ceremony being performed by Rev. I. T. Knotts.

The young couple are well and favorably known in Albany and have a large circle of friends who will join with the Democrat in extending congratulations.

They left today for Newport where they will spend a week or ten days, after which they will return to Albany and make this place their permanent place of abode.

CASE AGAINST JOHN DOE WILL BE TRIED TOMORROW

The case of the State of Oregon vs. John Doe on the charge of illicit cohabitation will in all probability be tried in the justice court tomorrow.

The defendant is said to be a resident of Salem but refuses to disclose his true name. The woman in the case has escaped and up to the time of going to press the police have been unable to ascertain her whereabouts or to learn her true name.

Senator M. A. Miller of Lebanon passed through Albany this afternoon to Portland on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Stewart of Lebanon after spending the afternoon here yesterday returned home last evening.

J. K. Weatherford of this city went to Corvallis this afternoon where he will look after legal matters, returning this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Huston were passengers to Newport this afternoon where they will enjoy a few days' outing at the beach.

F. R. Dunn, traveling freight agent of the Southern Pacific company, arrived in Albany at noon and is transacting business here.

Milton McGuire and Buford Payne went to Lebanon this afternoon to look after some work for the Ralston Electric company of this city.

J. E. Simpson of Eugene passed through Albany this afternoon enroute home from Mouthouth where he has been visiting his parents for several days.

Mrs. George W. Wright and daughters Carrie and Georgie, left this afternoon for Halsey where they will visit friends for a few days. They will also visit relatives in Brownsville.

Archie Van Nuys of the Oregon Power company spent the day in Corvallis looking after business matters.

Dr. C. E. Kennedy of Shedd's was in Albany this morning and together with Dr. Davis of this city will operate on Mrs. Ackerman of Shedd's at St. Mary's hospital tomorrow.

STRAWBERRY IS GROWN ON POTATO VINES NOW

Corvallis Man Produces Straw-
berries That Have a Rasp-
berry Flavor.

The limit has been reached—J. A. Kerr, orchardist and berry grower at the west end of Monroe street, is now producing strawberries with the raspberry flavor and appearance, and growing them on potato vines. A dish full of the fruit in the Gazette-Times window at this time will prove that this statement is not a matter of imagination.

The berry in question is what is known as the "strawberry raspberry." It is of the size and general shape of the strawberry, but is built like the red raspberry. The flavor is like neither of them, just as the loganberry does not taste like either the blackberry or the raspberry. It is a prolific producer at the Kerr place, and that experimenter believes it would be a fine berry for the general growth here, being especially suited for jams and jellies. Mr. Kerr got his plants at Beatrice, Nebraska. They grow only as high as potato vines, are very thorny and die to the ground in the winter and spring up anew when the warm weather comes again. The plants bear fruit the year following the time set out, and propagate from sprouts like the red raspberry. The berries produce at a tremendous rate, are solid, firm and fair to look upon. The only objection would be the lack of distinctive flavor and acid. The fruit appears to be too mild, but Mr. Kerr vouches for it that familiarity with the berry has made it a favorite with several who cared little for it at first. It is truly attractive in appearance, and would prove a valuable addition to our small fruit plantings if it should meet with general favor.—Corvallis Times.

NOVELIST WITH A ROCKEFELLER INCOME

George Ade once remarked that many smart people came from Indiana, and the smarter they were the faster they came. Among the scions of the Hoosier state none has gone further nor faster than George Barr McCutcheon whose "Beverly of Graustark" will be on view at the opera house tonight. McCutcheon left from Lafayette, where he graduated from Purdue. After leaving college he became a reporter, and soon rose to be managing editor of the Lafayette Journal.

He is now undoubtedly the most highly remunerated writer that ever lived, and his income is far over \$100,000 a year. He receives high sums for the magazine and serial rights to his stories, in addition to the royalties on his books, and last year the royalty from his plays was nearly \$50,000.

CLAIMS BREACH OF WARRANTY ON AUTO

Mart Bussard vs. Jim Irvin is the title of a civil suit which is occupying the attention of Justice Swan this afternoon.

The plaintiff is suing the defendant for the sum of \$40.00 alleged to be due on the purchase of an automobile and the defendant through his attorney Judge Hewitt, has set up a breach of warranty as a defense. W. R. Bilyeu is representing the plaintiff.

OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOUSE SECURES HIS INSURANCE

The Franklin House was destroyed by fire early Monday morning. Today August Kroschel, the owner received a check for the full amount of his insurance from the Pacific Home Insurance Company of Salem, of which Irb. Schultz of this city is the agent.

The building was insured for \$2200 and within an hour after the loss was adjusted, Mr. Kroschel received the check from the local agent.

LARGE CROWDS VISITED THE FILTRATION PLANT

The Oregon Power Co. has not been able to accommodate all the visitors to the new filter plant and as so much interest has been shown by the people the company concluded to keep the plant open to the public all week. A special attendant will explain the plant and its workings in detail.

Mrs. Bert H. Boles and sons, Herbert and Edwin, left this morning for Philomath where they will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives.

I. SCHULTZ SCORES TAFT REPUBLICANS

Claims Chicago Convention Will
Go Down in History as Con-
vention of Forty Thieves.

A TEDDY CLUB WILL BE
ORGANIZED IN LINN COUNTY

Red Bandanas Will Float From
Every Housetop After Votes
Are Counted Nov. 4.

Declaring that the Chicago convention will go down in history as the convention of forty thieves, I. R. Schultz, one of the strongest Roosevelt men in Linn county, a delegate to the progressive convention in Portland, and prominent in the organization of the third party in Albany, gave out an interview to the Democrat representative this morning in which he scored the Taft Republicans and outlined the plans of the Roosevelt faction in Linn county.

"Personally, I am in favor of a full state and county ticket in every state in the union, but for a number of reasons, I do not consider it advisable in this state," said Mr. Schultz.

"Yes, Roosevelt will carry Linn county and the entire state of Oregon. Taft is eliminated and the fight is now between Wilson and Roosevelt. At the present time Wilson seems to be the favorite but after the Chicago convention is held and the Roosevelt platform adopted, the Colonel will make a campaign which will sweep the country and carry the ticket to victory.

"We are thoroughly alive to the situation in Linn county and propose to organize a Roosevelt Club in the near future. Prominent Roosevelt men of state-wide reputation will be invited to address the members of the club on the political issues of the day and we expect to have a large membership.

"The progressive party endorses T. R. because Roosevelt stands for the principles as advocated by the third party. Mr. Roosevelt will be our next president for the simple reason that the great masses of the American people are clamoring for clean government and honest politics. On November next the people of this great nation are going to demand a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and the Chicago convention, which will go down in history as the convention of Forty Thieves, will be repudiated by the honest, liberty-loving people of free America."

C. A. MYERS AND MISS LEATHERMAN MARRIED TODAY

At eight o'clock this morning occurred the marriage of Conrad A. Meyer, and Miss Louise Leatherman.

The ceremony was performed by Father Lane at the Catholic church of this city and was witnessed by only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

At 11:30 this morning a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents, after which the newly married couple departed on a short wedding trip.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Leatherman of this city and is a young woman of charming personality.

The groom is a son of Conrad Meyer Sr., one of the pioneers of Linn county, and is a young business man of exceptional ability.

BETTER FREIGHT SERVICE IS SECURED FOR ALBANY

Portland, July 31.—(Special)—Anticipating heavy movements of fresh fruits and vegetables during the present season, the North Bank road and the Oregon Electric railway have arranged to handle east bound shipments in the quickest time possible as a result of an understanding for fast freight service with the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways.

An illustration of what this service means to the shippers of the Willamette valley, Salem, Woodburn and Albany fruits and vegetables in carload lots may leave these points on the evening local of a Monday for instance and reach Vancouver the next evening to directly connect with the fast freight over the North Bank at 10:30 p. m. This puts the freight leaving the Willamette valley points Monday evening into Spokane Thursday where connections are made immediately with the G. N. and N. P. fast freights.

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