

MORE OUTRAGES BY THE DARING OUTLAW

Tracy Holds Up Another Farmer, Takes Money and Escapes Toward the Cascades.

(Journal Special Service.) SEATTLE, July 10.—Convict Tracy has committed another hold-up and is escaping toward Palmer and the Cascade Mountains.

ELUDED POSSE. The daring convict eluded the posse yesterday morning and on reaching the home of a farmer named Johnson, five miles from Kent and fully 16 miles from Seattle, went through his usual escapade of holding up the family and ordering them to serve him food and stealing all the money they had.

HELD UP FAMILY. On reaching Johnson's house on the Kent road, he saw the farmer in the back yard. He threw his rifle to his shoulder and commanded the farmer to march into the house. He said he was Tracy, and that he intended to remain all day; that he wanted all the family to gather in the kitchen and to make no disturbance about it.

FRIGHTENED CHILDREN. There are five or six women in the family, and they were frightened almost into hysterics, though obeying the bandit's command to remain in the kitchen. Johnson, being covered by the convict's rifle all the time, was afraid to make any move that might lead Tracy to think he would try to resist the convict.

ORDERED TO BE QUIET. Johnson was himself frightened on account of his family, and he simply obeyed every order of the murderer. Tracy threatened to kill the family if

any undue noise was made that might attract travelers on the road.

TRACY WAS CALM. Tracy did not seem at all ill at ease or frightened that the posse might be in pursuit of him, but he seemed tired, and was evidently holding the family as prisoners until he had eaten well and rested up.

He also wanted to wait until dark to start out again on his course toward the mountains. Mrs. Johnson prepared a hearty meal for the outlaw, and he made the family all remain in sight.

ANOTHER HOLD-UP. When he had thoroughly rested himself, after keeping the family prisoners most of the day, he warned them to say not a word that he had been there, and disappeared along the road toward Palmer, warning Johnson if he reported his movements that he would return and kill him. This was late in the afternoon. He took as much as he could carry and started across the country toward the Palmer Pass in the Cascades.

NEWS GIVEN. Johnson, the farmer held up, came into Sheriff Cuddehe's office this morning and gave the story in detail. He said that he was afraid to notify the officers last night for fear that the bandit would kill him.

Two other robberies were reported at the same time, but Sheriff Cuddehe said he would not give out any more news because the newspapers might get into the convict's hands and aid him to get away.

Only One Holdup. SEATTLE, July 10.—Sheriff Cuddehe on investigation at Kent finds that Tracy did not hold up Anderson and McCulloch,

as reported this morning. The convict was seen by these two, but was not regarded with suspicion.

The Johnson hold-up, as reported to the Sheriff's office, was absolutely correct. Tracy made himself agreeable to the family. He took seven women of the household up on the hillside back of the house, helped to milk the cows at dusk, and on leaving them thanked them for their kindness.

He took \$5 from Johnson, which he said he would repay.

Stories Were False.

SEATTLE, July 10.—Some excitement was caused last night by the word sent the Sheriff's office that a man thought to be Tracy entered the home of C. B. Hillman at Kenwood station at 8 o'clock and asked to use the telephone. Mrs. Hillman was alone, near the telephone, in the kitchen, and the man pushed her to one side and took down the receiver. Mrs. Hillman says he did not call for a number. She went outside to see about her 2-year-old baby, and the man followed her out and went down the street-car track toward Kenwood station. When he came into the house he was carrying a gun by the barrel with the stock down, but when he left he was carrying the gun under his arm, with the muzzle pointed to the ground.

STORY A FAKE. The whole story, explained in great detail in some newspapers, has proven a fake. The story that Merrill has rejoined his partner in crime has also, in the light of recent developments, proven to have been manufactured out of whole cloth. During the time that rumors of his presence here and there were flying thick and fast, the desperado has wasted no time. Not one incident of all those expatiated upon by would-be sensationalists has had any foundation in fact since the story of his escape from the Freeke ranch was related in The Journal on Tuesday night.

MAY BE MERRILL

SALEM, July 10.—Superintendent J. D.

Lee received a telegram from Sheriff Thomas Roney of South Bend, Wash., last night, to the effect that the South Bend officer had a man in jail who answered the description of Merrill, one of the Oregon convicts wanted in this city for murder, and he asked that a man be sent to identify the prisoner. Mr. Lee answered that a man would leave for South Bend today. An officer will be sent to Pacific County, in accordance with the above request, and should the captive of Sheriff Roney prove to be Merrill, he will be promptly extradited and returned here for trial.

Sheriff Roney has one of the circulars sent out by the prison authorities here, giving a complete description of Merrill, but the latter has very few scars or distinguishing marks by which he can be recognized, and identification by an officer who knows him personally will be required.

WAS THIS MAN MERRILL?

The incident at the penitentiary last Monday night continues to attract considerable attention here, and the public generally believes that Guard Simpson shot at a man who was anxious to carry arms into the institution for use of convicts. Many, among them some officers, believe that the midnight visitor was none other than Merrill. Those taking this view hold that here is an explanation for Tracy's erratic conduct at Seattle. That the two separated, Tracy to attract the attention of the pursuers and the officials, while Merrill returned secretly to Salem, here to carry through another outbreak at the prison, thus releasing some convicts who would join the two in their nefarious work. Taking this view of the case, it is easy to see how Merrill would appear on the fence in an effort to smuggle arms into the prison.

Governor T. T. Geer, in speaking of the matter last night, said that additional precautions must be taken at the penitentiary, and he favors placing a perpetual guard on the prison wall. Some new guards are posted only during hours prisoners are in the yard or in the shops. He favors a doubling of the guards for the prison as the only means of safety for the officials, and for the best interests of the institution. It has been decided to arm the prison guards with new guns, and Winchester 30-30 rifles will be secured for that purpose.

MARION PASSES BILLS. In the County Court yesterday, bills aggregating \$250 were filed. Incurred on account of the chase after Tracy and Merrill, when those worthies were in Marion County. The bills are for various amounts, and the items of expense named are as varied as the amounts. One man filed a bill for \$2 for tobacco furnished the posse; another charged \$1.40 for ammunition, and a third—a farmer at Larquam—had a charge of \$5 for horse feed. The court has not yet decided what to do with the bills.

BATTLE ROYAL

Expected Soon Between Gates and the Armourers.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) CHICAGO, July 10.—The Armourers are said to be preparing the way for a great corner in September corn which will collapse the Gates deal in July. The Armourers are now said to be long over a million bushels, while Gates is short. A battle royal in September, with the Armourers millions on one side, and the Gates millions on the other, is expected when the July deal is closed.

ENGLISH PROWESS

Holds Both the Grand Challenge Cup and Diamond Sculls.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) HENLEY, England, July 10.—The day for the finals in the regatta dawned with a heavy down-pour of rain. Fair crowds witnessed the contests. In the final race for the grand challenge cup the third Trinity crew from Cambridge won from the Leanders, the winners of last year's cup. The diamond sculls were won by Kelley. He defeated Eberington Smith by a length and a half.

CRUSHED BY FALLING WALLS

Seven Firemen Meet a Fearful Death in Toronto

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) TORONTO, July 10.—Seven Toronto firemen were killed in a fire at McIntosh's Cereal Works this morning. The firemen were on a building fighting the fire when the collapsing walls crushed them. The killed include David Lee, Adam Kerr, D. O. Russell, Joseph Collard, and William Taggart. The fallen building covers a whole block. There may have been some citizens killed, but it is impossible to tell until the debris has been removed. The loss will reach hundreds of thousands of dollars. While going to the fire one of the firemen was thrown from a reel and his back was broken. The men who were killed jumped from the roof as a wall bulged, but before they could get to a point of safety the wall fell on them.

THE KING'S PROGRESS

The Date of the Coronation Will Be Announced Very Soon.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) LONDON, July 10.—The King's condition continues satisfactory. The British Medical Journal says today: "His Majesty will leave Buckingham for a change of air shortly. The coronation date will be announced almost immediately, as the King's progress during the week has been more rapid than it was apparently reasonable to expect. The wound is granulating well, and the matter formed is diminishing in quantity, but the wound is still deep, and must be dressed from the bottom. His Majesty has gained strength, but is still confined to his bed or a couch. He has a good appetite, and the doctors are satisfied that his constitution is thoroughly sound."

THE ELECTRIC RAILWAY STRIKE

People of Oregon City Will Hold Mass Meeting Tonight to Discuss It.

The P. C. & O. Co. is now operating four cars instead of three, as it had been doing since the strike was declared. Two of them are on the Oregon City run, making the trip every hour. The other two are on the Mount Scott run, leaving the Madison-street bridge every 45 minutes. Business over the road remains practically the same. It is stated by those who are in a position to know that the entire receipts over the road will not amount to over \$150 a day. No one familiar with the conditions is patronizing the line, and there are but very few in the city and tributary country who do not know all about it. Tiffany is running the sprinkling car and breaking in new men. The company is evidently preparing to get the entire system in operation again with other employes, but when the road is boycotted by the public it seems that as a business proposition such a course will prove an utter failure. The strikers are not losing courage, but on the contrary express themselves as well satisfied with the situation. "We are undoubtedly in a better shape at present," said one of them this morning, "than at any other period since the walkout. All of us are standing together to a man."

OREGON CITY MASS MEETING

OREGON CITY, July 10.—At 6 o'clock this afternoon in the court house square

EIGHT HUNDRED MEN ENTOMBED AT JOHNSTOWN

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 10.—By an explosion in the Cambria coal mine here about noon, it is reported that 800 men are entombed. The loss of life will be terrible. TWO HUNDRED DEAD. JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 10.—At 3 o'clock a few men who escaped from the mines reported that many were already dead. The last report received is that the fatalities may reach 200.

A \$1500 BLAZE

Fire in the basement of the two-story frame building on Morrison street, near Chapman, called out the department this morning at 5:30. The lower floor of the building was occupied by the Portland Oyster Company and the dressmaking parlor of Mrs. McKibben. The building is owned by Kelley & Blythe, and the loss to the occupants of the lower floor is estimated at \$1500. A small building adjoining, also occupied by the Portland Oyster Company, was gutted.

WHEAT MARKET

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) CHICAGO, July 10.—Wheat, 75 1/2 @ 76 1/2.

WOODARD, CLARKE & COMPANY. IMPERIAL MAGAZINE CAMERA. Regular \$10, Special \$6.40. SPECIALS: TRIPDS, Regular \$1, special 47c; RUBY LAMPS, reg. \$1, special 48c; PRINT FRAMES, reg. 25c, special 15c. Our new Photo Catalogue FREE. WOODARD, CLARKE & COMPANY. SUB-STATION POSTOFFICE. Money Orders Issued. Letters Registered. Stamps Sold. WOODARD, CLARKE & COMPANY.

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RUIN MENACES DES MOINES THROUGH RAGING FLOODS

Hundreds of Men Working Like Demons to Save Their Homes—Many Thrilling Rescues—All Central Iowa Threatened.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) DES MOINES, July 10.—The floods in Des Moines and throughout Iowa continue. If the river here rises another foot the fires in the boilers at the pumping stations here will be extinguished and the entire city will be without water supply, closing every factory in the city. Miles of water stretch in three directions as far as the eye can see.

HUNDREDS OF MEN are employed building improvised levees at the water works, but it is feared their labors are in vain. The flood situation reached its most alarming state early this morning when a section of the levee broke forcing hundreds of the residents of South Des Moines to fly. Many thrilling rescues in boats are reported.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS worth of property was lost in half an hour in that section. Hundreds of men are working desperately along the levees to save their homes and property, but the water is slowly driving them from their positions. In South Des Moines

FOUR FEET OF WATER is rushing through a district of 20 blocks occupied by residences. The flood is now at the highest point since 1851, when the river was six feet deep over what is now occupied by thousands of residences, business houses and factories. The Racoon River has advanced three feet in as many hours this morning. In North Des Moines a wide break in the levee occurred this morning, driving 400 residents from their homes. Street-car traffic is partially abandoned and similar conditions prevail throughout the central section of the state, all the principal rivers being out of their banks. Railway traffic is badly crippled.

SHIP-CARPENTERS ARE WINNERS

All Companies Have Signed Their Agreement Except O.R. & N. The ship carpenters have practically won their strike, the O. R. & N. yard being the only one which has not signed their agreement asking \$3.50 for an eight-hour day. The firms to sign are the Joe Paquet, the Supply yard and the Portland Shipbuilding Company. At the O. R. & N. yard no work in the shipbuilding line is done rather than repairing the company's own boats. Only two men are employed there at present.

EDITORS MUST GO TO JAIL

Frisco Libel Suit of Gov. Gage Grows Warm.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—The Superior Court this morning dismissed the habeas corpus proceedings brought by Spreckels and Leake, and remanded them to the custody of the Chief of Police. A stay of proceedings of one day was granted, to permit their taking an appeal to the Supreme Court. The editors must go to Los Angeles County for trial in the Governor Gage libel suit unless the Supreme Court grants the writ.

FIRST CLAIM THE HONOR

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) BOSTON, Mass., July 10.—The Chief of Police of Boston says Harry Tracy, the Oregon desperado, is a Boston man. He lived here years ago in the tough district, and served a term in the state prison.

Will Circulate Petition.

An effort will again be made by property owners on East Sixth street to improve that thoroughfare and to erect an elevated roadway between East Washington and East Oak streets. A petition was in circulation some time ago, but everybody was busy with politics, so nothing was done in the matter. The street is in a good condition from East Washington street to the Stephens Slough.

SCRIBES ROASTED

Roosevelt Rebukes Two New York Correspondents.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) OYSTER BAY, L. I., July 10.—President Roosevelt has invited a number of friends to visit him during his stay here, but their visits will have no political significance whatever. It is announced that the President will make no appointments of any importance during the summer. He called two New York correspondents to his office last night to rebuke them for writing sensational stories about his home life and his children.

Baths Well Patronized.

The Portland free baths on the East Side are well patronized these warm days. Since the recent change was made in the time schedule the men are given more time in the baths, and the women's time was reduced. The reason for this was that the women did not patronize the institution in sufficient numbers to make the directors feel that their efforts were appreciated. The crowd of boys at the institution still continues very large, and is increasing every day. Some of the boys stay in the tank nearly all day, and they now say that it is preferred very much more than the old "swimming hole." The baths are located at the foot of Belmont street.

Italian Identified.

The body of the Italian who died from injuries received in a railroad accident at Oneonta last Sunday was identified as that of Carmine Datillo, aged 39 years. The remains were buried this morning.

BOLD BURGLAR

A burglar is making life miserable for the residents in the vicinity of Fourteenth and Columbia streets. Several of the residences within a block or two there have been entered within the last 48 hours. The residence of H. Jeffries, 313 14th street, was entered Tuesday night at 12 o'clock, and three purses and two valuable stock pins were taken. Fortunately there was only a small amount of money in the purses. The presence of the man was detected by a young woman, whose room the burglar was searching. The young woman gave the alarm, and the intruder fled. A few moments later he was heard to be endeavoring to enter the building adjoining the Jeffries residence, but took fright and again disappeared.

SUNSTROKE

320 Soldiers Overcome—Three Dead.

PARIS, July 10.—During the maneuvers of the One Hundred and Eight Infantry at Bergerac today, 320 of the men were overcome by sunstroke. The maneuvers were stopped. Three of the men are already dead, and many of the others are in a serious condition.

Short Liberty.

In company with 11 others on the way to the rock-pile this morning, Ed Taylor and Tom Spencer made a break for liberty. The officers could not leave their prisoners to give chase, but two citizens caught Spencer. Taylor escaped, but was recaptured later in the day and will now break rock for 30 days. He is a very hard case, and gives the police much trouble. He "talked back" to Judge Rogue in court yesterday.