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SHERIFF TIL. TAYLOR KILLED BY OUTLAW

SENSATIONAL JAIL BREAK AT PENDLETON LAST SUNDAY

Neil Hart, Half-Breed Indian, Fires
Fatal Shot. Five Others
Escape.

Latest news from Pendleton at 1:30 p. m. is that a large posse has two of the bandits surrounded on Cabbage Hill, several miles southeast of Pendleton and that a pitched battle is in progress.

Til. D. Taylor, sheriff of Umatilla county for 18 years and by odd the most famous peace officer in the state, was shot and fatally wounded by Neil Hart, half breed Indian, 22 years old, last Sunday afternoon when six inmates of the Umatilla county jail made a sensational break for liberty. Taylor died four hours after the shooting. The prisoners made their escape and up till 10:00 a. m. this forenoon but one, Albert Lingren, alleged check raiser, had been apprehended.

The six men who escaped are: Neil Hart, Indian, aged 22, held in jail after a duel with Taylor and Deputy Sheriff Marin in the hills near Reith last week, and who faced charges of grand larceny and attempt to kill; Jim Owens, Indian, aged 29, caught with Hart; Jack Rathie, 22 years old, held on robbery charge; Albert Lingren, alleged check raiser; Richard Patterson and Lewis Anderson, held on a bad-check charge. All of them were awaiting grand jury action.

The break was made by the prisoners about 2:00 p. m., when Deputy Sheriff Jake Marin who entered the jail to take the men their dinner, was attacked and overpowered. During the fight which ensued, Sheriff Taylor, who was in his office talking to Guy Wyrick, a friend, heard the commotion in the jail and at once started in. As he entered the doorway, Hart, who had possessed himself of Marin's revolver, fired the fatal shot. The ball took effect in the right breast over the heart and ranged downward. Taylor stepped backward to the wall where he crumpled to the floor. The prisoners then demanded of Taylor to tell where other guns and ammunition were kept and when he refused were about to shoot him again and also to kill Wyrick and Marin. Taylor then told them where to find the guns and ammunition and after arming themselves they ran from the building.

It happened that an east-bound freight train was just pulling through and the outlaws caught that and rode to Mission station, four miles from Pendleton, where they left the train and took to the hills.

The six men had five guns, all being armed but Lingren. He soon left to the others and was captured Monday morning.

Pendleton was aroused as never before and within an hour or so almost every able-bodied man in the city and surrounding country was armed and in the field after the fugitives. Harry Selby, of Heppner, who formerly resided at Pendleton, happened to be there at the time and he was placed in charge of a party and sent to Pilot Rock to take up the search there. It is believed the men made for the Indian reservation where they might find shelter until they can make their way into the mountains.

The two Indians, Hart and Owens, were captured by Sheriff Taylor and Deputy Marin two weeks ago after a hot gunfight in which the sheriff shot Owens in the hand. The men had been robbing Indian camps and had a large amount of loot when captured. They are considered as dangerous men and will hardly be taken alive.

Taylor was widely known all over the state and was considered one of the best sheriffs Oregon ever had. He leaves a wife and one child.

The funeral is being held at Pendleton this afternoon. A large number of Heppner people, personal friends of the deceased official, went over this morning to attend the obsequies.

RANCHER SUFFERS MENTAL LAPSE

W. E. Straight, well known Butter creek rancher, who recently purchased the G. W. Swaggett home on Court street, suffered from a mental lapse Thursday evening at his Butter creek ranch and was brought to his town home for attention. Friday morning he was examined as to his sanity and was committed to the State Hospital at Pendleton, for treatment.

Mr. Straight had been in poor health for some time and for several weeks had suffered from insomnia which it is believed brought on his unfortunate mental condition.

Saturday morning Mr. Straight showed such marked improvement that the commitment was rescinded. It is now said that he was thrown and dragged by a horse Thursday just before being stricken and it was not until Saturday noon that he remembered the occurrence and spoke of it to his family. He was on the street Monday apparently all right.

CELEBRATE DOUBLE BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Freeman Frye was hostess at a small dinner party last Sunday at which Mrs. Emille Kelly was the guest of honor, the occasion being her 72nd birthday. The day was also Mrs. Frye's birthday so that the occasion had double interest. Only relatives of the two ladies and a few close personal friends were present.

Mrs. Kelly came to Heppner in 1877 and has resided here continuously since that time.

Those present report a most enjoyable afternoon and a splendid dinner at the Frye home Sunday.

W. W. STIEWER PASSES

Winlock W. Stiewer, former prominent resident of Fossil, but the past ten years a resident of Portland, died at his home in the latter city last Sunday, aged 68 years.

Mr. Stiewer was a native of Marion county but came to eastern Oregon immediately after graduating from Willamette university at the age of 19 years. He became identified with the stock business later engaging in merchandising and banking. Funeral services were held Thursday the last rites being observed at the Portland crematorium.

Heppner Herald only \$2.00 a year.

WOULD TAKE U. S. SENATE TO PROPER "CLEANING"

That Liberty bonds should be stamped on the market at 85 cents on the dollar is an outrage. What is the use to talk about grape juice, League of Nations and a lot of other rot while the credit of this land of the 4th of July is below par, millions of men made a sacrifice and bought a bond for \$50 or \$100 on the faith and credit of the greatest nation on earth. Now they are being sold for 85 cents on a dollar. It would have been better for the government to have asked the people to have donated their \$50 like they did the Red Cross, rather than tell them that they were buying a bond from the greatest country on earth. It is an outrage. This government should make provision to redeem these bonds at par value, and probably would have done so if congress had not wasted the past 2 years talking about the League of Nations. There is no use to attempt to make a party issue out of the League of Nations or grape juice. The real thing that concerns the people of the United States today is the United States Senate. That is the cancer spot of democracy. For two years they have done nothing. They have sat idly by while the credit of the United States has shrunk to 85 cents on a dollar. If Congress can consider giving every soldier a bonus of four or five hundred dollars they can also see that the little man who put up his \$50 or \$100 can get it back. Liberty Bonds should be worth par. The U. S. Senate is in our opinion to blame for this, and every member of this body, democrat and republican alike, who obstructed legislation during the war and since the war should be defeated at the coming election. There is no use to talk about Cox or Kern, Bryan or grape juice, a workless week, Harding or the G. O. P. for nothing can or will be done in this country until the United States Senate gets a thorough cleaning. And that is the paramount issue and all else is make-believe.—Blue Mt. Eagle.

ONE NOT PLEASED WITH CHAUTAUQUA

NEWSPAPER DESCRIBES ENTERTAINMENT AS "CHEAP"

Editor Says Combined Meritorious Numbers Would Make One Fair Six-Bit Show

The West Coast Co. closed an engagement at Lone last week and according to the following report in the Independent the people of Lone are not well pleased with the entertainment afforded. The management is the same that appeared in Heppner a few weeks ago.

"The summer Chautauqua for 1920 has come and gone. To say it was a disappointment to the subscribers and the general public does not half express it.

"The program, as a whole, was a cheap one. If the two or three really meritorious stunts of the entire five-day program had been given in one single evening's entertainment it would have been a passable six-bit show. The funny people were not funny, the orators could not orate for shucks, the music was very ordinary. Their "corrored" delineators of plantation songs and melodies were cheap Chicago niggers who sang the punkiest kind of punk and they would not know a genuine plantation song if they heard one, nor could they sing it if they did. Altogether it was a frost.

"But had the program been of the very best talent the Chautauqua was held at the wrong time—just at the beginning of harvest when the ranchers were crowded with work. Almost all the subscribers say they were led to believe it would be held in June, when an extensive program consisting of a baseball tournament and other sports was planned to be held in connection with the Chautauqua. However, no one took the trouble to see that the promised date was in black and white, which gave the chautauqua company a chance to slip one over on them, which they were not slow in doing; so it is said.

"It is unnecessary to state that a return of this aggregation was not contracted for next season. Other arrangements will doubtless be made to furnish a higher grade of entertainment and at less cost for next season."

News Item From Hermiston

Misses Edith Waddell and Mae Rogers, of Hermiston, had a narrow escape from serious injury if not death last Tuesday while driving from Hermiston to Echo. At Standfield their horse became frightened at a freight train and ran away. The young ladies jumped just in time to save themselves as the buggy was turned over and wrecked. Miss Waddell was formerly a resident of Heppner.

MUCH STOCK ROLLING MARKETWARD

Much fat stock is leaving the Heppner yards these days bound for market. Sunday the following stockmen shipped out:

M. J. Devin & Son 1 car cattle; John Kenny 1 car cattle; Bob Thompson 1 car cattle; Dell Alstott 1 car sheep; all consigned to Portland.

Gene Spray, of Spray, also shipped 11 cars of sheep to Omaha the same morning.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 1st, 1920

Our Bible school, with its excellent corps of teachers, and graded system of instruction will open at ten o'clock a. m. There is here a suitable class for everyone, of any age. The preaching service will be held at eleven o'clock and the theme of the sermon will be "Visions of God". Communion service will be observed as usual.

The evening services will begin at seven o'clock with the Christian Endeavor session, and song service and preaching will follow at seven o'clock. The evening theme will be "The Secularity of Religion". Everyone will be given a cordial welcome at all the public services. "I was glad when they said unto me let us go up unto the house of the Lord."

W. O. Livingstone, Minister.

BIG ELEVATOR BURNS AT SHUTLER STATION

SMYTHE BROTHERS WAREHOUSE ALSO DESTROYED

Property Was Covered by Insurance
and Owners Will Re-Build
Next Year.

Last Wednesday night the elevator at Shutler and one of the warehouses owned by Smythe Bros. were completely destroyed by fire. The other Shutler Warehouse, belonging to the Arlington Lumber Co was not damaged.

The warehouse burned contained very little grain, reports stating that only 400 sacks were there, it being wheat left over from last year. No information was received here as to the amount of the loss or whether it was covered by insurance.

The elevator was the property of G. A. Hart of The Dalles and A. M. Cannon of Portland. It was built in 1917, and had a capacity of 130,000 bushels but had not been used. Wednesday morning Mr. Hart was in Condon closing a deal with Dan Thomas to take charge of the elevator at the time he was notified of the fire.

The elevator company was incorporated for \$30,000 about the cost of the building, although it would have cost much more to erect it at present prices. Insurance amounting to \$20,000 was carried.

With the big insurance money it had the big grain crop on Shutler Flat the loss of those two buildings may work a hardship on some of the shippers. It is probable that a large loading platform will be erected where the elevator stood, and grain handled on it.

Mr. Hart is in Condon today and stated that he would rebuild the elevator, but not this year.—Oregon Times.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Spence returned from McDuffee Springs last evening where Mrs. Spence spent the past ten days. Mr. Spence and Tom Brennan drove over Friday to bring her home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Clark came over from Condon Sunday to visit their daughter, Mrs. J. Farris. Mr. and Mrs. Clark reside at Central Point, in the Rogue River valley where they will return some time next month.

Reports from the huckleberry districts back in the mountains are that the huckleberry crop is heavy this year and many parties of huckleberry fans and fannies are getting their mountain togs together ready for a rush to the hills.

Ray M. Oviatt reports having sold the E. F. Clark ranch containing 1612 acres to Zeek Bros. The place has 1000 acres of fine wheat land, the balance being pasture. The price was \$55 an acre for the farm land and \$12.50 for the other or \$62,450 for the tract.

Sam VanVactor, who spent Sunday and Monday at his ranch on upper Willow creek, reports that the huckleberry crop was badly damaged by a terrific hail storm which swept the mountains a week or more ago. Mountaineers advised Mr. VanVactor that the crop will not be ripe until the middle of August.

Bob Carmer, Pat Peters and J. W. Forrest returned from Omaha Friday evening where they shipped a trainload of sheep and cattle. Mr. Carmer reports prices considerably better in Omaha than on the coast and seemed satisfied with the trip.

E. N. Gonty, exclusive shoe dealer, has added to the equipment of his store by installing a new American combination cash register and adding machine which reduces the chance for errors as well as considerable of the high cost of book-keeping, etc.

Rev. H. F. Pemberton, District Superintendent of the Methodist Church, will be in Heppner, Thursday evening, July 29. He desires to

ATTEND SALEM ELKS' CONVENTION

Gay Anderson, secretary of the the Elks' lodge, and George McDuffee, sheriff of Morrow county, left Tuesday evening for Salem where they represented Heppner Elksdom at the Elks' State convention.

The heavy duty of the Heppner delegates at Salem is understood to have been to direct the attention of all members of the tribe that Heppner lodge No. 358 will dedicate their new temple during the coming autumn and that there will be a real time in Elksdom on that occasion.

SHIPS LAMBS FROM HEPPNER

G. M. Blakely was in town for a short time last Tuesday, going from here to Heppner, to see to the shipping of 2700 lambs to Chicago. These lambs are from the Blakely ranch near Clifton.

Mr. Blakely says the eastern lamb market is the only attractive end of the sheep business, and that there is every probability that prices there will continue good, as well as a brisk demand. He states that Smythe Bros. sold an unusually fine lot of lambs, averaging 84 pounds, at 17c per pound.—Globe-Times.

BOY IN BIG RANCH

Glen Boyer and Jos. J. Nys of Heppner were here for a few days last week. The Easy ranch near Fox was sold under sheriff's sale and Mr. Boyer is to be a resident of Grant County.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

meet all the members of the church that evening at the Federated Church for the purpose of closing up the work of the conference year. Everybody cordially invited to be present.

E. G. Haverstick, who bought the old Jim Adkins place on Rhea creek, was in town Monday. Mr. Haverstick has started harvesting and reports his grain as being very good. His ranch contains 2040 acres, 170 of which being susceptible of irrigation.

Mrs. J. L. Wilkins and little daughter Francis, were guests at the W. H. Herren home several days last week going to Arlington Friday to visit her father Eli Maddock. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins recently disposed of their interests near Carson, Washington, and he is now looking for another location in the hotel business.

Carl Yount, who represents the Houser interests at Lone in the wheat buying business, was a business visitor in Heppner Friday. Mr. Yount reports that harvesting has commenced in that section and the yield is quite satisfactory in the fields so far harvested. Mr. Yount estimates the county will produce more wheat this year than it did in 1916 which was considered the banner year.

J. W. Fritsch, proprietor of the Electrical Battery Service Station and agent for the Willard battery, has had the front of the Calmus building which he occupies, painted in Orange with white and black trimmings. Orange is the color used by the Willard Battery people all over the country. Mr. Fritsch has also had a large new sign placed on the front of the building.

Glen Boyer returned from a trip to Grant county Sunday evening where he bid in the Easy ranch, formerly the old Fox ranch, which was sold on foreclosure proceedings brought by Mr. Boyer and his brother Guy Boyer. The place contains 3920 acres, much of which is excellent natural hay land and is considered a fine stock ranch. Mr. Boyer has not fully decided whether or not he will locate there.

Coming! Big Attraction at the Star theatre, Thursday, August 5th, Charlie Chaplin, Mabel Normand and Marie Dressler in "Tillie's Punctured Romance."

C. E. Woodson, E. M. Shutt, Dug Gardner and Judge Campbell each drove to Pendleton this morning accompanied by friends to attend Sheriff Taylor's funeral.

O. W. B. & N. officials sent out an order to trainmen this morning to make no resistance should the outlaws attempt to board trains.

EIGHTMILE CROP CONDITIONS GOOD

RICH WHEAT SECTION WILL GIVE GOOD YIELD

Everybody Busy Getting Ready to
Harvest Golden Grain Worth
Much Money

A trip through the Rhea creek and Eightmile country last Thursday showed that crop conditions in that part of the county were good. At almost every farm visited preparations were being made for starting the harvest and combines and headers were being overhauled and put in first class condition.

Eightmile farmers are generally doing better farming every year and the results show that it pays.

H.M. Olden, in the Rhea creek district, has a fine crop and will start harvesting in a few days.

Theodore Anderson has one of the finest wheat farms in the Eightmile country as well as one of the best improved homes. Mr. Anderson has some 700 acres of fine wheat this season that will make a splendid average. He is now building several galvanized iron wheat storage bins and will discard the use of sacks this year in handling his crop. The elevator system will be used in unloading and loading his wheat and the grain will go to the big elevator in wagon boxes, thus saving the cost of sacks as well as much hard labor.

R. J. Alstott has one of the best located ranches in that section. The place contains something over 700 acres and besides having about half of that in wheat he runs a band of over 300 sheep and considerable other stock. The place is well watered with springs and enough water to irrigate garden and fruit runs the year around. Mr. Alstott is now cultivating his summer fallow ground the fifth time and it is in fine condition. The Alstott home is one of the most hospitable in the country and anyone striking the farm close to meal time has no chance to go away hungry.

Walter Beckett is a progressive young farmer in the same section and his crop is very promising. He will not commence harvesting for another week.

Howard Anderson was found getting his combine ready for business and reported a fine crop. Mr. Anderson has recently bought the holdings of his two brothers, B. O. and A. E. Anderson which gives him a large acreage. Ben and Alfred have made good money raising wheat and will take a layoff and look around a bit before locating elsewhere.

O. Bergstrom is another oldtimer in the Eightmile country. He has a fine wheat farm and a splendid home.

Oscar Kietzley's place was also visited and the owner was found busy getting ready for harvest like all his neighbors. He also has a fine crop of wheat and is also getting a start in a new oat that he says will make 100 bushels or more per acre.

Rugg Bros., on Rhea creek were busy stacking boardless barley hay and the crop was worth looking at. A small field of irrigated wheat on their farm also showed what water will do when placed on Morrow county dirt.

The writer enjoyed this trip through the courtesy of Dr. A. D. McMurdo, who, with W. P. Mahoney and Sam E. Van Vactor, was out doing some missionary work for the new Heppner hotel. The committee proved to be good hostlers and made a 100 per cent efficiency record by inducing every man they met on the trip to become a substantial stockholder in the hotel company.

In addition to the gentlemen mentioned above, J. W. Beckett, who now resides in Portland but who is now visiting his sons at Eightmile, also became a stockholder.

MISS MAHONEY ENTERTAINS

One of the most pleasant social affairs of the season was the dance given by Miss Vera Mahoney at her home in South Heppner Saturday evening. The dance was given in honor of Miss Fay Kent, of Bonners Ferry, who has been visiting at the Mahoney home for some time. There were thirty five guests present and every one reported having had a very enjoyable evening.