

BELIEVE PURSE BE SIX FIGURES

Gotham Fight Fans Display Great Interest in Arrangements for the Coming Johnson-Jeffries Encounter.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—As the day for opening the sealed bids for the Jeffries-Johnson battle draws near, fight-followers in Gotham are wagering their money that the promoter who secures the pugilistic plum of the decade will have to guarantee the fighters a purse that can be expressed in none less than six figures.

The latest competitor to enter the lists is the Great Falls (Mont.) Athletic club. A purse of \$115,000, with a guarantee of non-interference by the authorities, was received in a message from the Montana promoters last evening.

The presence in this city of James Coffroth of San Francisco, Tom McCarey of Los Angeles, and other Pacific coast bidders, is taken by the local sports that a record purse undoubtedly will be offered. Coffroth, they believe, has more than an even chance to land the mill, although it has been whispered about that the wise ones are due to be surprised when McCarey's bid is opened. The offers will be passed upon Wednesday.

The rumor that Coffroth and Jack Gleason of San Francisco have combined forces as the result of their determination to take the fight to the Golden Gate city, is current again today. Neither promoter has admitted the truth of the report.

ACCUSED MAIN PLEADS HE IS "LEGALLY" DEAD

(United Press Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Albert Patrick, the famous lawyer, convicted of murder in connection with the death of William Marsh Rice, was brought from Sing Sing prison today and presented in the Brooklyn division of the appellate division of the supreme court where he made the remarkable plea that he is legally dead.

Patrick contends that the postponement of his electrocution by a "stay" was illegal and that so far as the court is concerned he is now legally dead.

He asserts that his case should have been ended when the late Governor Higgins commuted his sentence to life imprisonment. The prisoner's plea is that he was either guilty of murder in the first degree or he was innocent. On this ground he contends that he has been illegally held in the penitentiary and that the court should dismiss him.

The efforts of Patrick to gain his freedom form one of the most remarkable struggles in the history of the state.

MANY HURT IN BAD AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

(United Press Leased Wire.)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 29.—Three persons are suffering today from serious injuries and four from minor injuries, sustained when a Downey avenue car crashed into an automobile containing seven members of the family of Fred Weber, a jeweler.

Miss Agnes Weber, 17 years old, is suffering from concussion of the brain. Her condition is serious.

Mrs. C. B. Boesmiller, 60 years of age, mother of Mrs. Weber, received severe contusions on back and hips. She was unconscious for more than an hour.

Mrs. Weber's right wrist was sprained and she received internal injuries. Physicians who attended her stated she would recover.

Weber and his three small sons received painful but not serious bruises. The accident occurred last evening.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE HELD UP BY BAD STORM

(United Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—Held up by storms off Cape Hatteras the members of the house committee which has been investigating the construction work on the Panama canal, will be unable to land until tomorrow. The committee is aboard the steamer Christobal.

It is understood that the committee is returning with several definite projects which will be presented in due form. Among these the most important probably will be a proposal to abolish the present canal commission and to substitute a chief engineer, director and civil governor to direct the work under the existing organization.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Joy of Jacksonville are visiting friends in Medford.

CANADIANS NOT TO JOIN MERGER

Canadian Telegraph Lines Will Keep Out of Combine of Americans in Gigantic Trust.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 29.—Canadian telegraph and telephone will not be parties to the proposed American telegraph merger, according to statements today by officials of the various companies operating in the Dominion.

Officers of the Bell Telephone company of Canada denied without reservation the report that their organization would become part of the combine. Similar denials were issued from the office of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph and Great Northwestern Telegraph companies.

FAMOUS OLD SOUTHPAW TO HELP OUT BEAVERS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 29.—Chas. Hartman, the famous old Southpaw who for years was the idol of the Portland fans, has signed a 1910 contract with the Beavers.

After leaving Portland several years ago, Hartman went to the Boston Americans in a trade. There he quit the game and followed another business, going into the lumber business in Los Angeles with his father. Hartman says that his arm now is as good as it ever was and Manager McCredie of the Beavers believes that Charles will be able to send them over the pan with his old-time skill.

ADDS TO HISTORY CHICAGO FIRE

Preacher Says Cow Kicked Because Boys Sneaked Into Her Stable to Make a Whisky Punch.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 29.—A cherished page of history of Chicago has been torn out by Rev. John D. Leek and as a result of his sermon the prohibitionists are in possession of a brand-new argument today.

According to the assertion made by Rev. Leek, the hind foot of the cow which knocked over Mary O'Leary's lamp and caused the disastrous Chicago fire was inspired by the bovine's resentment at boys who had sneaked into the barn to steal milk to make a whisky punch.

Dr. Leek added that the boys concerned were members of a Sunday school class and though they confessed to their teacher, he lacked the moral courage to make public their confession and thereby caused a change in the history of the great conflagration.

NOTICE
Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the regular meeting of the city council at Medford, Oregon, on December 7, 1909, for license to sell malt, vinous and spirituous liquors in less quantities than one gallon at lot 17, block 20, in Medford, Oregon, for a period of six months.
Dated November 24.
O. M. SELSBY.

W. A. Stewart made a business trip to Ashland Monday morning.

NEW HOSPITAL FOR THIS CITY

Negotiations Now Under Way to Secure Site for a Modern Hospital.

If present plans go through Medford will have a modern and well equipped hospital within a short time. Negotiations are now in progress for the purchase of a suitable site for the hospital, and the deal will be closed within the next few days. The site in view already has buildings upon it which can be easily arranged to suit the purpose for a time being, and the acreage is large enough to admit of the construction of additional buildings to accommodate the growing necessities of the city.

AUTO CRASHES INTO STREET CAR

Five Seriously Injured in Portland Accident—Driver of Auto Said to Be at Fault.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 29.—As the result of an automobile containing five persons dashing headlong into a streetcar yesterday, while traveling at a high rate of speed, three of its occupants are in the hospital today suffering from serious injuries.

Mrs. A. J. Olds of Weiser, Idaho, aged 60, had her skull fractured and was internally injured; E. S. Olds of Portland was badly bruised and had his right hand crushed. Mrs. E. S. Olds, his wife, received severe lacerations of the scalp.

J. L. Overton of Elgin, Or., was driving the car and was not familiar with the Portland streets. In approaching the car tracks at the intersection of Eleventh and Yamhill streets, he failed to notice the car, and before he could slacken his speed, had dashed into the car with terrific force.

Overton claims that the streetcar crew were at fault in not ringing their gong, but eyewitnesses to the accident say that the car was moving very slowly and that Overton did not slow down for the crossing.

Hon. R. G. Smith of Grants Pass was in Medford Monday morning on his way to Jacksonville to attend to some legal business before the circuit court.

STEAMER HAS HARD VOYAGE

S. S. President Strikes Gale Which All But Disables Her on Her Run from Seattle to San Francisco.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 29.—Her hatches torn away and her fore-castle shattered, the steamer President, the swift passenger vessel of the Pacific Coast steamship line, entered this harbor early today, 20 hours late on her run from Seattle.

For a night and a day the President was tossed and battered by a terrific southeast gale encountered off Cape Flattery. Her decks and hatches were swept by waves that washed the ship from bow to stern, poured into the companionways and caused 300 frightened passengers to take refuge in their staterooms.

But for the fact that Captain Thomas immediately ordered the life nettings fastened about the decks, Clyde McCoy of Seattle, a first cabin passenger, might have lost his life. McCoy ventured from his stateroom and was caught by a heavy wave that rushed across the decks, hurling him into the protecting life net.

Joseph Schmidling of Portland, formerly of this county, is here on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. Emil De Ro-boam. Mr. Schmidling has been in Portland for the past 15 years and is engaged in contracting. He and his father laid the first stonework in Medford, and were the only stoneworkers in this section for many years.

LOVETT STAYS HALF HOUR.

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they could hardly be torn away. It is safe to say that Medford will be remembered by Judge Lovett and his party.

The policy of the Harriman lines will be one of development, is the statement of Mr. Lovett, and the plans and extensions planned by E. H. Harriman before his death will be carried out; also that every acre of land legitimately tributary to the system will be developed. He marveled at the progress in the northwest, saying there is too much to do and too much willing energy and co-operation to permit of arrested development in the western states.

The members of the party were Mr. Lovett, H. G. Stillman, president of the Standard Oil Bank of New York; Julius Kruttschmitt, director of maintenance and operation; J. C. Stubbs, freight and traffic director; E. O. McCormick, passenger traffic director; J. P. O'Brien, manager of the lines in the Pacific northwest, and R. B. Miller, general freight agent.

NEBRASKA IN GRIP OF STORM

Worst Sleet Storm in Years Sweeps Over Lincoln and Southeastern Portion of the State.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 29.—Lincoln and Southeastern Nebraska is experiencing its worst sleet storm for years. The storm has worked havoc with the telephone and telegraph wires, and all traffic practically is at a standstill. All trains entering this city are from two to ten hours late.

HEAVY RAINS DO DAMAGE.

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one now ahead of it is that for December, 1897, which was 14.8 inches. High water caused heavy damage on the Gray's Harbor and South Bend branches of the Northern Pacific railway today and no trains came through from Aberdeen.

Bellingham Suffers.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 29.—Bellingham and Whatcom county are today experiencing the worst storm in their history and it is estimated that the damage will reach thousands of dollars before the weather changes. It was thought the flood had reached the limit last week when the Marietta drawbridge over the Nooksack river was wrecked, entailing a heavy loss, but today the waters are even higher and a new record has been established.

Until the storm has spent itself, it will be impossible to estimate the damage, but it will total thousands.

Floods in White Valley.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 29.—Unless there is a cessation of rain and a change in the wind within the next 24 hours, residents of the White river valley expect somewhat serious floods, as the rivers are rising rapidly today. At South Park the more timid citizens are taking to the east bank. Water is at danger mark.

The Green and White rivers are still within their banks and damage from floods may be averted if the dam at Stuck River is not damaged.

There has been an inch of rainfall in the last 24 hours and continuation of the precipitation is forecasted by the local weather bureau.

What Would You Do?

In a case of burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar. For sale by Leon R. Haskins' Pharmacy.

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DOLLARS CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

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the embargo.

Many Would Take Trip.
Recruiting officers of the United States marine corps are busy today with applications from men attracted by the possibility of being sent to Nicaragua. The news of the last few days has given this branch of the service great impetus.

"The recruiting of marines has been immense on account of the war news," said a recruiting officer today. "We are getting a fine class of men, too."

"Whenever there is such talk as at present, we always have a rush of applications. The marine corps has the advantage because it always goes first when there is trouble."

"The marines have been down to Central America and the older men in the service know those countries like a book."

"The fact that the gunboat Princeton, which sailed yesterday from Seattle, will stop here on her way to Corinto and the rumor that she may take on marines at this port has attracted many men."

"At a time like this when there is the barest chance of a real scrap, you get an idea of whether the Americans will fight. The men who come here are all eager for the smell and are actuated by the desire for action in the service."

Your Opportunities

The Time The Goods The Store

Did you read our big advertisement yesterday? We believe that most of the subscribers to this paper did read it and we also believe that most of you knew that you could come to the store and prove all we said to be true.

YOUR OPPORTUNITIES ARE HERE.

Now is the time to select Xmas novelties while the assortments are in first-class shape, to supply your needs, and when the prices are being shaved as close as it is possible to make.

The goods are here and we will be pleased to show you our extra large assortments. Our low sale prices are certainly proof enough that we are buying goods in the lowest markets or we could not offer them at such amazingly low prices.

This is the store that gives the values and makes the prices that draws the people here to trade and anyone can prove this conclusively by watching.

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SOUTHERN OREGON'S LARGEST EXCLUSIVE LADIES' STORE.

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REMARKABLE CASE OF HEALING

Edw. Olney, a Gifted Healer.



Mrs. R. W. Smalley, who for seven years had been a victim of abscess of the stomach, and unable to eat, after one treatment she could eat and sleep well. In a few days she will be a well woman. Mr. Olney is effecting great cures. People are coming to him as the last resort from far and near, suffering with eczema, asthma, catarrh, rheumatism, lung trouble, liver and bladder trouble and all so-called chronic diseases, all of which were healed in from one to three treatments. The prices are within the reach of all, as Mr. Olney wishes to benefit as many as possible while here. He is here for the purpose of advertising his healing institute at Portland. Mr. Olney won't be here but a short time. Don't wait, but come and be healed. Call and get a free booklet and an explanation of his work. Office in the Palms, corner Main and Grape streets, Medford. Consultation free. Hours, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

SUGAR TRUST WILL FIGHT

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It is believed the trial will go on until every legal obstacle the attorneys for the defense can throw in the way has been overcome.

Technicalities Numerous.

The attorneys for the men have prepared a number of demurrers which must be argued so that several days will be consumed in legal technicalities.

A rumor is still current in New York that one of the indicted officials is prepared to turn state's evidence and lay bare the entire gigantic plot to defraud the government of millions.

The trial will be a great mass of figures and dry details. But Stimson and his assistants have spent months preparing for the government's case and declare there will be no slip-up.

There are three counts in the indictments. The first charges underweighing, the second conspiracy to underweigh, and the third conspiracy to defraud the government by thus underweighing.

So anxious have the government's attorneys been to circumvent any possibility of a legal hitch that they have dismissed three indictments against the defendants and found new indictments in each case so as to eliminate some clause upon which the defense might base an objection. Java Steamer at Fault.

The cargo for the steamship Strathyre, from Java, which was unloaded at the Brooklyn docks of the sugar company on November 20, 1907, is the specific cargo upon

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The Busy Store

played an equal length of time. He was getting \$15,000 a year at the time of his arrest and resignation. Taft Sanguine.
President Taft told Representative Weeks of Massachusetts today that he firmly believed that some of the high officials in the sugar trust would eventually be landed in the penitentiary because of the frauds which have been unearthed at the New York customs house.
He declared that Attorney-General Wickersham was determined to press his investigations. The president further said that the attorney-general was convinced that he was upon the right track and that before very long he would be able to bring men "higher up" into book.