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THIEVES LOOT POST OFFICE ROGUE RIVER

Fifth Postal Robbery in Valley in Past Two Weeks—Stores and Depot also Robbed—Four Watches Secured—Escape Made on Speeder

More Pennies Secured—Suspects Seen Before Robbery—Warning Issued to Town Marshall.

The fifth post office robbery in the past two weeks occurred last night at Rogue River, when thieves entered the post office by means of skeleton keys and secured several dollars in pennies. They also broke into the Southern Pacific depot, securing four dollars from the cash till. Entering Murray's jewelry store they stole four gold watches, a gold chain and stick-pin. Forcing an entrance into the city recorder's office, they opened the desk, but secured nothing. They ransacked McClain's hardware store, but apparently took nothing. Breaking into the railroad shed they stole a "speeder" and made a get-away, as they did two nights before at Gold Hill.

Penny Shortage Impends
Post offices at Medford, Eagle Point, Talent, Gold Hill and Rogue River have now been robbed of stamps and pennies, and these threaten a shortage of pennies in the valley. Both at Gold Hill and Rogue River large quantities of stamps were handled by the robbers, but left untouched.

The men were seen at Rogue River and a good description secured. There are two of them, one 5 feet, 9 inches, smooth shaven, thin, long face, yellow complexion, like a dope fiend, walks with a slight limp. The other is about 5 feet, 6 inches, thick set, weighs 160 pounds, prominent upper lip.

The men work with false keys, chisels and glass cutters. They make no noise, and do not blow safes. They have railroad switch keys.

Messrs. Sandry and Woodcock left Rogue River early this morning in pursuit of the thieves.

Robbers Are Seen
M. Johnson, proprietor of the cafe at Rogue River, was one of those who saw the robbers about 10 o'clock Wednesday night and having read the postal warning, recognized the description and called the town marshal's attention to them warning him to be on the look out. The warning was apparently disregarded. The series of burglaries started when the Medford postoffice was entered Dec. 27, and since that time the post office at Eagle Point, Talent and Gold Hill have been entered. In addition the burglars "touched" the S. P. station at Talent, Burdick's store at Talent, a jewelry store at Grants Pass, and Jennings' saloon and Lances' store at Gold Hill.

LYCEUM OFFER MADE EDITORS IN IDAHO PRISON

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 9.—R. S. Sheridan, C. O. Broxon and A. R. Curzon, the imprisoned newspapermen, are today considering offers from a San Francisco lyceum bureau manager to occupy platforms in every large city in the United States. All three men are now serving terms of ten days in the Ada county jail, and under a fine of \$500 each for printing a statement from Colonel Roosevelt criticizing the supreme court for ruling progressive candidates off the official ballot in November. During their incarceration the three prisoners have been entertaining so many visitors that it has been found necessary to maintain a "waiting line." The newspapermen would not state what salary they were to receive if they accepted the offer of the lyceum bureau, but it is understood to be very enticing.

THREE PERISH SAN FRANCISCO TENEMENT FIRE

More Bodies May Be in Ruins—Thirteen in Hospital From Injuries—Two Flimsy Lodging Houses Destroyed—200 Lodgers.

Corpses Unidentified and So Badly Burned That Identification is Probably Impossible.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 9.—Three persons are known to be dead, thirteen are in the emergency hospital suffering from injuries from which several may die and ten others are reported buried in the ruins of San Pedro and Maritime Lodging house at East and Howard streets, in the waterfront district here, which were totally destroyed by fire early today.

Three unidentified bodies were taken to the morgue, so badly burned that identity may never be established. Five firemen were injured. The two lodging houses were flimsy two-story affairs, occupying an entire half block.

Firemen Hampered
The work of the firemen in laying hose lines was hampered by the condition of the street, which is torn up for construction of the Belt line railroad. By the time the first stream shot into the flames, the Howard street side of the buildings was a mass of fire. With three narrow stairways and one of these exits completely cut off by the wall of flame, the inmates crowded to the outside windows and screamed in terror to the firemen to stretch ladders.

Repeatedly the firefighters placed ladders against the window casings, only to have the charred framework collapse, shaking off the firemen from their slippery holds into the street. Some of the more courageous lodgers took a leap for life into the street. Fireman Shaughnessy was knocked from his ladder by a 500-pound sign which crushed him to the ground, inflicting severe injuries.

Leaps From Windows
Mrs. Katherine Goldstein was among those who leaped from the windows. She was picked up unconscious only a few feet away from the flames which crept slowly toward her.

DESERTER SEEKS TO WED HELEN TAFT

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 9.—Addressed to President Taft, a marriage license application, bearing the names of Miss Helen Taft and Nicholas Souflas is speeding toward Washington today. According to License Clerk Sparks, Souflas filled out the application, showed it to the office attaches and darted through the door before he could be restrained. Souflas declares he mailed it at once. The man is alleged to have deserted from an artillery corps at Fort Rosecrans.

PINCHOT OPPOSES MUNSEY'S PLAN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Strong opposition to the plan of Frank A. Munsey, the millionaire newspaper and magazine publisher who was one of the principal backers of Colonel Roosevelt in the last presidential campaign announced yesterday in an editorial in the New York Press to amalgamate the progressive interests in both the republican and progressive parties was voiced here today in a statement issued by Amos Pinchot, brother of Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester of the United States, who himself supported Roosevelt, in which he refers to Munsey's proposition as a "vote hunting combination." Pinchot said in part: "I feel sure that Munsey's proposal shows a thorough-going misconception of what the party represents. We believe the party has a definite, real and necessary work to do. Its task is to destroy economic and spe-

THIRTY-EIGHT CONVICTED DYNAMITERS ON WAY TO PRISON.



THE DYNAMITERS BEING LED HANDCUFFED FROM THE FEDERAL COURT TO THE COUNTY JAIL.

Five days of trial of the thirty-eight accused men, found guilty in the famous dynamite trial at Indianapolis, Ind., before the Federal Court Building to the county jail, handcuffed to United States marshals and deputies.

NEGRO WHO STOLE ARCHBOLD LETTERS TO EXPLAIN THEFT

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—William Winkfield, a negro messenger, who is alleged to have stolen the celebrated Archbold letters from the New York files of the Standard Oil company and sold them to agents of William R. Hearst, is under subpoena here today to appear in Washington January 11, before the senate campaign contributions investigating committee. Winkfield will be required to tell exactly how he got the letters which created such a political sensation, involving scores of congressmen, senators, governors and judges as having profited through the liberality of the oil trust. The retirement of Senator Foraker of Ohio and Congressman Sibley of Pennsylvania is attributed directly to the publication of these letters and former Governor C. N. Haskell of Oklahoma resigned as treasurer of the democratic national committee four years ago following the publication of some of the letters. While scores of Burns detectives and senate sergeants-at-arms searched the country, Winkfield was located here through a ruse by a deputy United States marshal.

PAIR OF SHOES CAUSE OF BURLGAR'S DEATH

TACOMA, Wn., Jan. 9.—Attempting to steal for the second time yesterday, a pair of shoes, an unknown man plunged to his death from the window of a second story room in the Fawcett hotel. J. S. Silva, owner of the shoes, told the coroner that he had taken the shoes away from the dead man after they had been taken the first time. The thief was trying to crawl from the window of one room into that of Silva, according to eye witnesses, when he fell.

ROAD SUPERVISORS FOR YEAR NAMED BY COUNTY COURT

The county court today finished its work of redistricting the county into road districts. Many changes have been made. Scarcely a district remains the same as last year. Some of the old districts have been cut down, some enlarged, some consolidated, but all are more nearly of a uniform size than previously. The following have been appointed supervisors for the new districts for the ensuing year: 1. Jack True, Ashland. 2. Sam Van Dyke, Phoenix and Talent. 3. A. B. Zimmerman, Eagle Point. 4. O. F. Welcher, West Central Point. 5. Nick Kimes, Griffin Creek. 6. Tom Stanley, Lake Creek. 7. Frank Neil, Derby and Battle Falls. 8. J. E. Davison, Gold Hill. 9. John Grive, Prospect. 10. W. R. Garrett, Applegate. 11. Arthur Earhardt, Woodville. 12. W. B. Chapman, Sams Valley. 13. E. C. Hamilton, East Central Point. 14. Dave Pence, Elk Creek and Trail.

CONVICTED QUACK SENT TO PENITENTIARY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—Convicted a week ago as a result of the government's crusade against using the mails for the transfer of illegal medical remedies, Dr. A. E. Peabody was sentenced here today by Judge Van Fleet of the United States district court to a year in the Alameda jail and to pay a fine of \$3,000. Peabody protested that he was penniless, but District Attorney McNab declared that the convicted man had purchased an expensive limousine but a few days ago and the judge refused to alter sentence.

CHEERFUL SENTIMENT ON STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Stocks were in small demand at the opening of the market today. The level of prices was barely changed. Atlantic coast line recorded today fluctuations of more than a fraction advancing one-half. A more cheerful sentiment prevailed in the market with a confident absorption of various specialties. Success scored by manipulated issues encouraged more general buying of standard stocks. The market closed irregular. Bonds were firm.

TAX LEVY FOR JACKSON COUNTY IS TEN MILLS

The county court Thursday completed the tax levy for the year, making a total of 10 mills, as against 11 mills a year ago. The levy is thus divided:

	Mills.
School and library	1.6
State	1.1
High school	2.3
Fruit inspection	1.4
Advertising	1.9
General expense	1.9
Warrant redemption	1.5
Public buildings	3.1
Road	10.

The road levy is a mill less than a year ago. The general expense the same. Warrant redemption is a new levy to redeem outstanding indebtedness and bring warrants to par. Public buildings is to repair court house. Fruit inspection was included in general expense a year ago, and is paid by an extra assessment upon orchard property. Advertising is to enable the county to do publicity work formerly done by the various commercial clubs.

BUD ANDERSON TO MEET SAMMY TROTT

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Sammy Trott of Cleveland and Bud Anderson of Vancouver, lightweights may be matched for a 20 round tussle at Vernon January 28. Promoter McCarey will make offers to the fighters this week.

SEAMEN WENT TO DEATH BRAVELY

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 9.—That the seamen who composed the crew of the wrecked steamer Rosecrans met death in a brave and unflinching manner is the statement made by Fred Peters, the sailor at St. Mary's hospital here who miraculously escaped a watery grave by drifting to the shore near Tioga Tuesday afternoon. "Of course there was a great deal of excitement when she struck, but later when the boys realized that she was agone, they calmly accepted the inevitable and although some had hopes of being rescued many had made up their minds to die," said Peters, as he turned on his ear to rest his injured shoulder. "I think it was about 5 o'clock when she bumped. I was on the bridge with Second Officer Palmer, who immediately gave orders to re-

OHIO FLOODS ENDANGER LIFE; RUIN PROPERTY

River Nine Feet Above Danger Mark at Pittsburg—Damage Is Enormous—Mills Flooded and Workmen Idle—Cellars Filled With Debris.

Crest of Flood Expected This Afternoon—No Serious Damage in Ohio or Kentucky Yet.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Jan. 9.—The Ohio river here reached a stage of 45 feet before noon today and is rising at the rate of six inches an hour. It is predicted that a stage of fifty feet will be reached by tomorrow. No serious damage has yet been reported.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 9.—With eighteen hours' warning, Pittsburg is today prepared for a flood. At the junction of the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers the water already is 31 3-10 feet deep. This is nine feet above the danger mark. It is announced that the crest of the flood here has been reached. Many lives are endangered but thus far no fatalities have been reported. Property damage is enormous. Mills are flooded and thousands of workers are idle. There is a foot of debris in the cellars of many houses. The crest of the flood is expected to be reached in the Ohio river this afternoon. A stage of 48 feet is predicted at Wheeling. If this is reached the damage will be tremendous.

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MANCHURIA PLOTS FOR INDEPENDENCE

TOKYO, Jan. 9.—Under the leadership of Prince Hsi, a movement for the independence of Manchuria, it was learned here today, has grown secretly to such proportions that it is expected soon to come to a head. The policy of Japan toward Manchurian independence is expected to be decided after the return to Tokio of Prince Hirotsuki Kato, the new premier, who succeeds Prince Katsura, resigned. It was decided today that the coronation of the new Mikado of Japan will be held during November, 1914, in Kioto.

HELEN GOULD TO WED ABOUT JANUARY 15

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The wedding of Miss Helen Gould and Finley G. Shepard of St. Louis, it was learned, will be quietly solemnized at Lyndhurst, Miss Gould's country place in Irvington near here. The exact date which has been told Miss Gould's intimate friends is being carefully guarded. The ceremony will take place about January 15.

CABINET SHOULD NOT PAY DEBTS ASSERTS BRYAN

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 9.—That President-elect Woodrow Wilson may be governed by higher motives than gratitude in selecting the members of his official family is the hope voiced by William J. Bryan in the current issue of the Commoner. "Cabinet positions," says the article, "ought not to be regarded as currency with which to pay political debts. In filling them, the president-elect should look to the future and not to the past. A public official has no right to discharge political obligations at the expense of the public. The men Wilson selects should not be selected, not because of political service rendered him or even because of past service rendered the democratic party. The offices should be used to strengthen the party and advance those things for which the party stands. "The Commoner declines to discuss cabinet position possibilities, but it ventures to express the hope that Wilson will be governed by higher motives than gratitude in selecting the members of his cabinet."

POWERS FAVOR BULGAR'S CLAIM TO ADRIANOPLE

Turkish Envoys Instructed to Refuse Compromise Until Powers Actually Intervene and Then Yield and Save Dignity of Nation.

Greece Demand Aegean Isles as Failure to Get Them Means Revolution at Home.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—"Turkey absolutely refuses to abandon Adrianople. If peace hinges on this contingency hostilities might as well be resumed at once."

This declaration was made here today by Reschid Pasha, one of the Turkish envoys to the peace conference here between representatives of the Balkan states and Turkey to the United Press correspondent.

"So far as I am concerned," said Reschid Pasha, "the whole matter rests with the powers. I am not prepared to ask for a renewal of the peace conference without direct instructions from Constantinople. "We have conceded everything possible while the allies have conceded nothing. We have surrendered over 200,000 kilometers of Turkish territory. The Balkan envoys entered the conference with an unconciliatory spirit and that has been their attitude throughout the conference. "Turkey absolutely refuses to abandon Adrianople. Even if the allies capture the city we will not abandon it even when peace is concluded."

LONDON, Jan. 9.—The dispute over Adrianople seemed today the only serious obstacle remaining as a bar to the settlement of the Turkish-Balkan war. The Turkish envoys here received fresh instructions from Constantinople during the night, which, it is reported, ordered them to refuse to compromise until the European powers actually intervene. Turkey could then abandon Adrianople and save her dignity. The ambassadorial "conversations" are still in progress, and a definite program of intervention is expected to be agreed upon this afternoon. Premier Venizelos, chief of the Greek plenipotentiaries here, said today that the Greek delegates were authorized to insist upon cession by Turkey to Greece of the islands in the Aegean sea. "Our failure to get these islands" said Venizelos, "would precipitate a revolution at home that would overthrow the government." The powers, it is understood, have not yet reached a decision regarding the disposition of the Aegean islands, but are unanimously in favor of the allies getting Adrianople.