

FORGER FOLLOWED CLEVER METHODS IN GETTING COIN

Joseph B. Smith, alias Robert D. Jones, alias half a dozen other names, forger, wanted in British Columbia, New York City, San Francisco, Medford and a score of other places, who was recently arrested in Redding for cashing a forged check for \$150 on the Saturday Evening Post, has been taken to San Francisco for trial, according to advices received by County Attorney Kelly.

Prosecutor Kelly has received photographs of the forger, his forged checks and the forged letters of identification. Smith cashed a check at the First National bank of Medford for \$150 and used the same system in all of his forgeries.

Using stationery stolen from the Saturday Evening Post, he wrote letters of identification and instruction on which the names of F. Pitts, editorial auditor, and George H. Hammond, assistant treasurer, were forged. The following is a sample letter:

"Dear Mr. Smith:
"We are allowing you \$125.00 for your Columbia City staff. This may be the cause for some unpleasantness between ourselves and Frank, who seems to be of the opinion that the "Ghost City" assignment belonged to him exclusively; however, do not worry about it, as he is easily pacified."
"In covering the Rogue River war, Lorimer suggests that you get as much human interest into it as possible. Get the pictures of the survivors and their families and of the homes they fought to protect. It will be good dope if handled as you did the Panhandle."
Lorimer is considering the Logan stories.
"With best personal regards, sincerely,
F. F. FITTS,
Editorial auditor Curtis Publishing Co.
Philadelphia, Nov. 4, 1915."

An identical letter was used for Redding with the name of Robert D. Jones substituted for Smith. The forger spent some time in this valley and in the Applegate country, hunting and fishing, this fall.

COUNCIL ACTS TO FORCE COLLECTIONS OF ASSESSMENTS

On the initiative of Dr. J. M. Keene, new member of the city council, that body last night concluded to begin suit to collect delinquent assessments on the paving bonds. It will be a "friendly" procedure to determine whether or not these delinquencies are collectable by law, or, in other words, to determine if they are legal obligations.

Following this action came the conclusion that all rebonding plans and schemes proposed or in process of preparation for proposal be tabled until the proposed suit shall have been fought to a finish. Legal assistance for the city attorney will be engaged by the council for the suit. It is hoped that a decision from the supreme court may be obtained within ninety days.

The council also agreed to hear the rebonding plan of Attorney Pierce.

The \$800 claim of Attorney Gus Newbury was allowed for legal services in the suit of the city in the case against the California-Oregon Power company. At this juncture, Councilman Medynski moved that the salary of the city attorney be raised. Without a second, the matter elicited no further discussion.

The new registration law requiring only one registration, except in case of removal of the voter from one ward to another, was passed and will be submitted to the voters for ratification at the election next month.

W. P. Chelgren's bid on the Edwards' street sewer work was the lowest, being \$418.90, and he was awarded the contract thereon.

An amendment to the existing ordinance concerning the installation of wooden telephone and trolley poles on Main street was passed to allow the Southern Oregon Traction company trolley-pole privilege for one year.

The lien against the Dodge property was cancelled. The septic tank resolution was read the second time.

Councilman Keene favored licensing power trucks, but discouraged the re-introduction of the jitney ordinance. It was returned, therefore, to the cobwebs of its pigeonhole.

SANTA CLAUS AT THE MAY COMPANY

If you will visit the May company store and take a stroll through it you will surely think Santa Claus is hiding somewhere among the evergreen or other elaborate decorations as the store is a bower of Christmas beauty.

They have added a big line of toys from all parts of the globe and have thousands of other useful and beautiful presents for everyone.

A Santa Claus mail box for the little tots' letters is a special feature.

SATIRE ON FORD PLANS

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them will think it is the others who capitulated. They will all claim victory and there will be no more war for generations.

Ought the United States to interfere? Of course, the United States ought, but does the United States ever do what she ought to? We don't ourselves, so how can we have the face to ask the United States.

Besides, I repeat, it is for Germany who began the fighting, to say when she has had enough. The allies are only just beginning.



OFFICIALS ELECTED FOR 1916 BY G. A. R.

At the regular meeting of G. A. R. Post, No. 47, Tuesday, December 7, the following officers were elected for next year: George Hall commander; J. T. Carpenter, Sr., vice-commander; F. M. Putney, Jr., vice-commander; J. A. Caldwell, quartermaster; C. B. Kent, surgeon; Ilimam Bender, chaplain; Charles Paul, officer of the day; L. R. Bingham, officer of the guard; J. T. Carpenter, patriotic instructor. Delegates to state encampment, Andrew Jackson, A. E. Newman; alternate delegates, L. H. Tucker, Alexander Troudeil.

OBITUARY.

John Cook died at his home near Butte Falls, Friday, December 3, at the age of 68 years, 8 months and 23 days. Death was due to heart failure. He was born in Missouri, March 10, 1847, and two years later came across the plains to California with his parents. In 1872 he was married to Miss Harriet Morley, and ten children blessed their married life, seven of whom remain. He and his family have resided in Jackson county for the past twenty-nine years, most of the time in and around Butte Falls.

John Cook leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his death—Mrs. T. Grigsby, Klamath Falls; Mrs. L. G. Palmer, Central Point; William Cook, Jacksonville; Grover Cook, Central Point, and Lemmie, Edwin and Thomas Cook, who reside near Butte Falls.

Funeral service was held at 10 a. m. Monday in the Presbyterian church at Butte Falls, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Albert H. Gammons, and burial took place in the Butte Falls cemetery by the side of a brother's grave. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

KIMBERK, JOHN—Died at Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 26, 1915, aged 64 years. Mr. Kimberk resided in Medford several years ago, being connected with the Oregon Electric Co., and had a wide circle of friends who will mourn his loss.

When told of the exploits of a certain famous outfielder, an old lady said she couldn't help but feel disgust toward a full-grown man who spent all his time catching flies.—(Get It?)

Our New Department

For the convenience of our patrons we have installed a department for clock making, jewelry repairing, diamond setting and agate mounting.

We are now in a position to give you prompt service, combined with first-class workmanship and reasonable prices on any watch, clock or agate work you may favor us with. We will call for and deliver your clock.

Martin J. Reddy

THE JEWELER
212 E. Main St.
Correct Time Call 10
Visit our Watch Department.

THEY GO TO HELL FOR ICE CREAM IN A PEENSYLVANIA TOWN!



FARRELL, Pa., Dec. 2.—Did you ever want ice cream so much that you'd go to Hell for it?

In this town everybody likes it, and most of them go to hell for it. Hell is an ice cream manufacturer—his first name is Conard. And the Hell family here threatens to usurp the prestige of the once famous "Damn" family.

Hell's signs read: "Go to Hell for Ice Cream." Over his place of business he has a painting showing a man and girl eating ice. The girl is saying, "Hell, for mine, alwa-s."

M'ADOO FAVORED NEW HAVEN MERGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, saw nothing wrong, while a private citizen, in the acquisition of the Boston & Maine railroad by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

His view in the matter was disclosed today in the form of a letter read by the defense at the conspiracy trial of eleven former directors of the New Haven road.

The letter was written by Mr. McAdoo to Charles S. Meilen on June 19, 1907, at the time the New Haven had acquired a majority of the Boston Maine stock. Mr. McAdoo congratulated the then New Haven president on the progress made in getting the stock, hoped his plans would be realized and added that he did not see how any "broad-gauged and progressive man can have any other view than that it will be beneficial to New England."

WOLVERTON TO SIGN DECREE ON O. & C. GRANT LAND

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 8.—Who owns the timber on the Oregon & California land grant was the principal question that came up today in the United States district court in argument on the form of the decree that Judge Charles E. Wolverton is to sign, in accordance with a decision of the United States supreme court, which recently declared the land forfeited. The grant comprises 2,300,000 acres.

The mandate of the supreme court was filed today at the opening of the session, and immediately afterward Constantine J. Smyth, special assistant to the attorney general, presented a decree, which, if signed, would entitle the Southern Pacific company, owner of the grant, to an equity of \$2.50 an acre in the land, and no more.

Peter F. Dunne, chief counsel for the Southern Pacific, submitted a decree for the railroad, which would entitle the railroad, in addition to \$2.50 per acre, to the profits of the sale of timber on the land at the expiration of a temporary injunction, in case congress has not taken action to dispose of the lands at the end of six months.

Real Worth vs. Low Cost

If you asked your butcher for a porterhouse steak and he handed you a cut of the flank and said, "This doesn't cost as much and is just as good," you wouldn't believe him, would you?

Yet the butcher's statement is just as truthful as the assertion that inferior baking powders made of alum or phosphate of lime are as good as Royal, which is made from cream of tartar.

Alum is a mineral acid salt, declared by many medical authorities unsafe to use in food.

Royal Baking Powder is as pure and wholesome as the vineyard grapes from which its cream of tartar is derived.

The only reason for using such substitutes as alum and lime phosphate is because their cost is less to the manufacturer.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO.
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Central Avenue



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The Woman's Store

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THE STORE With THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Sensible Gifts for Men, Women and Children

<p>GLOVES</p> <p>We carry the best stock of Kid Gloves in Medford.</p> <p>Two-Clasp Kid Gloves, in all colors, also in black with white emb. backs and white with black emb. backs, very special, per pair..... \$1.25</p> <p>Our "Derby" Glove, in all colors and styles, very special, pair..... \$1.75</p>	<p>NECKWEAR</p> <p>Dainty New Neckwear, large variety of styles to choose from, values up to 50c, very special at, 29c</p> <p>15 doz. Imported Swiss Neckwear, the very latest styles, beautifully embroidered; some of these collars are worth \$1.50, none less than 75c, very special, ea..... 59c</p>	<p>HOSIERY</p> <p>Kayser's Silk Hose, put up in artistic Xmas boxes, \$1.25 to \$3.25 each.</p> <p>Kayser's Silk Hose, in black, white and colors, pair..... \$1.00</p> <p>Fiber Silk Hose, pair..... 50c</p> <p>Our celebrated Lavender Top Silk Hose, pair..... 50c</p> <p>"Silk Boot" Hose, in black and white, pair..... 25c</p>
<h3 style="margin: 0;">Every Suit in the Store on Sale at Half Price</h3>		
<p>HANDKERCHIEFS</p> <p>Women's Fancy Emb. Handkerchiefs, special, each..... 5c</p> <p>Children's Handkerchiefs, put up 3 in a box, box..... 15c</p> <p>Men's and Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, special, ea..... 10c</p> <p>Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs, each..... 25c</p> <p>Fine Emb. Handkerchiefs for women, special, each..... 25c</p> <p>Beautiful Madera Edge Handkerchiefs at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.</p>	<p>HAND BAGS</p> <p>All-Leather Hand Bags, fitted with mirror and pocketbook, special, each..... \$1.00</p> <p>New Style Hand Bags, all leather, worth \$2.00, each, at..... \$1.19</p> <p>Very Special—25 Hand Bags, values up to \$3.50, now, \$1.98 now, each.....</p> <p>Many exclusive styles in new Hand Bags on sale at \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.98 and \$5.48.</p>	<p>LEATHER GOODS</p> <p>Manicure Sets, put up in leather cases, at..... \$1.25 to \$8.48</p> <p>Playing Cards, put up in leather cases..... 50c to \$1.75</p> <p>Parisian Ivory Sets, put up in leather cases..... \$1.25 up to \$5.00</p> <p>Drinking Cups, put up in leather cases, each..... 50c and 75c</p> <p>Leather Collar Cases, each..... 98c</p> <p>Music Rolls..... \$1.75 and \$3.50</p>
<h3 style="margin: 0;">Every Coat in the Store on Sale at Half Price</h3>		
<p>SILK PETTICOATS</p> <p>New Taffeta Silk Petticoats, \$3.50 values..... \$2.48</p> <p>New Taffeta Petticoats; \$5 values, special..... \$3.48</p> <p>Silk Kimonos, new styles, \$4.98 up to \$10.00.</p> <p>Beacon Bath Robes, all new styles, special, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.98 and \$5.98 each.</p>	<p>DON'T FORGET THE BABY</p> <p>Infants' Booties..... 25c to \$1.00</p> <p>Infant's Knit Caps, new styles, at each..... 50c up to \$2.50</p> <p>Snowball Suits, in all colors, at each..... \$1.75 up to \$5.00</p> <p>Infants' Knit Saques, new styles, at..... 75c up to \$2.50</p> <p>Infants' Rattles..... 10c to 25c</p> <p>Infants' Coats, made of good corduroy, each..... \$2.75</p> <p>Infants' Sweaters, each..... \$1.15</p>	<p>DRESS GOODS AND SILKS MAKE GOOD GIFTS</p> <p>40-in. Crepe de Chine, all colors, \$1.50 grade, yd..... \$1.19</p> <p>40-in. Silk and Wool Poplin, \$1.25 grade, yard..... 98c</p> <p>Wool Challies, new patterns, very special, yd..... 50c</p> <p>Black Taffeta Silk, 36 in wide, special, yard..... 98c</p> <p>Georgette Crepe, in black, white, pink and blue, per yard, at..... \$1.75</p>