

Fire Exposes Death Noose to Public Gaze State Penitentiary is Scene of Conflagration With Loss of Much Property

DORRIS STIRRED WHEN GUNS GET INTO ACTIVITY

WOLVERTON HOLDS OFFICERS AT BAY WITH RIFLE

Finally Surrender is Made, and Then an Attorney Keeps Excitement Up by Threatening Two Business Men With a Shotgun—One Arrest is Made and Others Are Threatened Before Long

Three bad checks, a Winchester rifle and a double-barrel shotgun have resulted in great excitement in Dorris, an enterprising little city just over the Klamath county line in California. One man is already in jail and there are threats of bringing criminal action against others.

Albert Wolverton, a homesteader residing about seven miles from Dorris, is now in jail in Dorris, charged with the passing of the checks, which are said to be bad. Attorney Porter of Dorris is accused of having terrified at the point of a shotgun, two men in a Dorris jewelry store, and two prominent Dorris business men are suffering from palpitation of the heart as a result of their experience last Saturday.

Just as in other parts all events date from the day of the Great Wind, so will the people of Dorris date things from the election of Woodrow Wilson as president and the stirring events of last Saturday.

Complaint was made Saturday before Justice of the Peace Mill Richardson of Dorris that three checks for \$5 each and issued by Albert Wolverton had been refused at the bank, and a warrant for the arrest of Wolverton was issued. Thereupon Constable Varnum with an assistant proceeded to the Wolverton homestead to serve the warrant. No sooner had they appeared in front of the homesteader's cabin than they were informed that their hands looked better up in the air than at their sides. This advice was backed up by a de-

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PAVING WAY FOR PARCELS POST

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT IS NOW ORDERING RELATING TO THE STARTING OF THE NEW SERVICE

To educate the people to the use of the parcel post and to avoid mistakes, the postmaster general has issued three statements concerning the regulations proposed to do away with any difficulty that may arise when the law goes into effect, January 1, 1919.

They are in substance that parcel post stamps must be used on all fourth class matter, and that such matter bearing ordinary postage stamps will be treated as if it bore no postage at all.

State Building Threatened



PLAN OF STATE PENITENTIARY Drawn from a sketch made by Charles F. Moore, former State Treasurer, and now Klamath Falls Banker.

MOST VOTES FAVOR SELLING

RETURNS OF LETTERS ON THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE SITE PROPOSITION INDICATE THAT LAND SHOULD BE SOLD

The plan to sell the old county court house site is growing rapidly in favor, as the letters received by the county court indicate. Since Saturday there has been a gain of 51 votes to sell, while but 15 votes against selling were received.

The vote now stands:
To sell 426
Not to sell 258

Several women, now voters and taxpayers for some time, have written expressing their views. All so far favor the plan of keeping the square.

Hulda Smith writes that she is now old enough to vote, and wants to keep the square for a market. She suggests that if the property is sold it should not be for less than \$200 a front foot on Main street and \$200 a front foot on Klamath avenue.

Schrank is En Route MILWAUKEE, Nov. 25.—Schrank, who shot Colonel Roosevelt, started this morning at 11 o'clock for the hospital for the criminal insane at Oshkosh. Alienists believe that he is incurable.

Federal Authorities to Take up Vice Scandal

Government Announces Intention to Sift Portland Matter Down Un'til Entire Truth is Made Public

PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—Deputy District Attorney Collier announced today that the United States authorities would probably handle the vice scandal which has recently been unearthed in this city.

According to the latest information thirty new indictments have been returned and more arrests are expected tonight.

DOUGLAS FIR TO BE PLANTED SOON

REFORESTATION PLAN IS UNDER WAY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE NATIONAL FOREST

Six hundred thousand Douglas fir trees, six to eight inches high and over a year old, are being sent to the slopes of the Coast range in the Sitka national forest from the government nursery near Carson for reforestation purposes. The trees, which are being sent out in ten lots of 60,000 each, are being planted 1,000 to the acre, six feet apart each way, on burned over tracts.

The planting will last most of the winter. Planted 1,000 to the acre may seem to be very close, but in the struggle for existence, the government knows that only a hundred of the trees will reach maturity.

Dr. and Mrs. Wright Home Dr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Wright returned Sunday evening from Pasadena, where the doctor has been spending the past three weeks recuperating after his recent illness. Dr. Wright has entirely recovered from his sickness, and reports a very pleasant time in Southern California.

L. Gerber of Klamath Falls was in town Tuesday from the reservation, where he purchased some Indian beef cattle, being all that was on the reservation but one bunch, and they were too high to buy, says the Bonanza Bulletin.

Mr. Collier stated that the operations of the vice ring extends from Seattle to San Diego, and it is proposed to sift the charges down to the final truth.

In the meantime many prominent men are said to be "trembling in their boots." It is said that many people, heretofore believed to be of exemplary character, are involved.

RUMORS OF WAR DISTURB BERLIN STOCK MARKET

GERMANY MOBILIZES TROOPS ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT

Situation in the Balkan States continues to hamper the military operations of the different European Powers—Chance for a Great War continues to disturb business conditions generally.

United Press Service BERLIN, Nov. 25.—Vague rumors of hostilities between Austria and Serbia are heard here. The result is that there has occurred a heavy slump in the stock market. The origin of the rumors are unknown. It is reported here that Germany is mobilizing two army corps on the Russian frontier. Depositors in banks, fearing hostilities, are withdrawing their money.

United Press Service CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 25.—The Ikdam, the leading newspaper of this city, says that Turkey and the allies have agreed to a week's armistice.

United Press Service BERLIN, Nov. 25.—Austria's military preparations are proceeding, but from semi-official sources it is learned that the danger of war is decreasing.

PRELASSING, Germany (By courier from Vienna to avoid censorship)—It is learned authoritatively that Austria has served an ultimatum on Serbia, and is determined to press matters. This source does not share the hopeful feeling which prevails elsewhere in Europe.

Last night the announcement was read in the theaters, calling certain classes to their colors immediately.

CLEANING UP DAY COMES IN COURT

JUDGE BENSON ORDERS MANY CASES DISMISSED AND SETS TIME FOR THE HEARING OF OTHER CASES

A sort of cleaning up of the docket occurred in the circuit court this morning, when Judge Benson went over the cases with the attorneys.

In the case of J. B. Reed vs. C. K. Brandenburg, Marion Hanks and G. Heitkemper, Jr., judgment was given against Mr. Heitkemper, and the case against the other two defendants will be set for hearing later.

The following law cases were dismissed: Ackley Bros. vs. Deak; Martin Bros. vs. W. H. Mason; O. M. Onell vs. Fay Melbourn; T. E. Griffith vs. Brier & Anderson; Greenbaum Well & Michels vs. J. T. Bradley; Cofer Bros. vs. Klamath Falls Tub and Fall company; E. W. Street vs. J. W. Wright; Bryson Leather company vs. W. A. Wilson & Son; W. C. Hurn vs. W. H. Mason; First National Bank vs. W. E. Purdy.

The following equity cases were also dismissed: Thos. Coffin vs. Elmer E. Lyons and C. O. Morgan, trustee; Ellen Paraso vs. L. W. Paraso; Lulu H. Shepherd vs. Wilber White et al; Willis Furniture company vs. J. H. Everett and W. B. Barnes, sheriff; Burke Wilson vs. Lotteon Wilson.

Klamath Men Face Flames

The records in the office of Sheriff W. B. Barnes show that the following men are confined in the state penitentiary from this county:

NAME	CRIME	SENTENCE
George McLane	Larceny	Indeterminate
George Welch	Manlaughter	6 years
Tom Alexander	Manlaughter	6 years
T. York	False pretense	3 to 10 years
Leo Henderson	Forgery	5 years
Paul Durney	Robbery	12 years
Henry Smith	Robbery	5 years
Noble Faulder	Murder	Death
James Davis	Larceny	3 1/2 years
John Allen	Highway robbery	10 to 20 years
Chas. Ewing	Forgery	3 1/2 years
William Sparks	Forgery	3 years
H. Stanford	Forgery	2 1/2 years
John Hall	Bank robbery	10 years
Otto Orlock	Burglary	3 years
H. Allen	Forgery	3 years

WHO IS HEAD OF THE FAMILY NOW

SINCE WOMEN ARE ALLOWED TO VOTE THERE ARE MANY PROBLEMS PUT UP TO STATE OFFICIAL AT SALEM

SALEM, Nov. 25.—If there is any phase of the apparent mystery surrounding woman as a voter that has not been put to the attorney general in the form of a question, someone should think of it and present it now, while the presenting is good.

Stacks of questions have been asked, but the latest comes from School Superintendent Walter Smith of Marion county, who wants to know who is the head of the family and is entitled to vote under the provisions of the law governing school elections, which says that only taxpayers and heads of families who have school children may cast a ballot. Is the man or the woman the head of the family?

As the law is a little hazy on the subject, Assistant Attorney General Van Winkle advised that it all depends! It may be the man or it may be the woman, but he says it can never be both. He says the law does not recognize such a thing as there being two heads of a family, it is always "the head."

He says usually the man is the head of the family, but that in cases where the woman was the chief mainstay of the family, then she would be the head, and would be entitled to the vote. If the husband were ill, or away much of the time, or incapacitated, then the woman should be considered the head of the family.

RITCHIE WILL MAKE WEIGHT

NATIVE SON WORKS ON THE ROAD AND DOES HIS LAST BOXING—TIPS THE BEAM AT 184 POUNDS, 1 POUND TOO MUCH

United Press Service SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—Ritchie worked on the road today and did his last boxing before the fight on Thursday. He weighed in at 184 pounds.

Physicians stated that the native son was in the very best of condition. Wolgast did not work out today. Very little betting has yet been done.

Cut Sowers at No. 3 West Main st.

SENATOR IS DEAD

Rayner Expires in His Home at National Capital

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25.—United States Senator Rayner died at his home here at 9:30 this morning. His family was at his bedside when the end came.

COURT ON THE HORSEFLY PLAN

JUDGE BENSON SETS DAY AND HOUR FOR HEARING OF COMPLAINTS OF ALL VOTERS AND TAXPAYERS

Judge H. L. Benson today issued an order directing the county clerk to issue a notice to all freeholders, legal voters and assessment payers in the Horsefly irrigation project that Wednesday, January 15, at 10 o'clock has been set as the date when the court will examine, approve and confirm the proceedings of the issue and sale of the bonds of the irrigation district.

Kuykendall & Ferguson are the attorneys for the irrigation project, and the purpose of the hearing is to establish the regularity of the proceedings leading up to the issuing of bonds, so that when the bonds are offered for sale they will have the approval of the court.

Stool Pigeon Makes His Testimony Seem Funny

Ortie McManigal Enlarges on His Testimony and Even Defendants are Forced to Cast a Smile

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 25.—Ortie McManigal was unexpectedly recalled to the stand this morning in the trial of the 47 labor leaders charged with the illegal transportation of dynamite. He told a startling story of the Spanish plans of the McNamara, who are now in the California penitentiary.

The witness testified that John McNamara had projected the complete destruction of Los Angeles, as well as the dynamiting of non-union jobs at the Panama canal.

GRUESOME SIGHT RECALLS VERDICT OF THE PEOPLE

POOR ELECTRIC WIRING CAUSE JOIL ON FIRE

In Spite of Opponents, Prisoners Not Attempt to Make Escape. Pleasant Weather Prevents Possible Catastrophe—Staffed by Guards Intent to Carry Out the Wishes of Voters Friday, December 15.

United Press Service SALEM, Nov. 25.—The whole south wing of the state penitentiary was gutted by fire this morning, and the new auditorium was destroyed. The convicts were freed and worked desperately to stop the conflagration. Not one fled.

United Press Service SALEM, Nov. 25.—When smoke drifting away into the death chambers of the state penitentiary, which stripped convicts were willing to save their own lives as well as those of the five men who are sentenced to die December 15th, one of the most gruesome scenes ever witnessed occurred here this morning.

Fire, which originated from poor electric wiring above the stage in the auditorium in the prison, caused a loss of \$2,000.

The roof of the auditorium was destroyed and the fire was finally extinguished by the convicts working with the prison apparatus.

It was a gruesome sight, when, after the conflagration had been put under control by the striped convicts and the smoke had drifted away from the death chamber, the convicts in the death chamber were ordered to view. Had the wind been coming from the south, the scaffold would surely have been destroyed.

It is a notable fact, but not a single one of the imprisoned convicts attempted to escape.

Maxwell Nobel Curious United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25.—Consul Stever telegraphed today that Salazar is marching on Cas Grande, boasting that he will occupy the city within five days.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will have home-made mince-meat on sale at the Mason home from now until Thanksgiving.

burn the city off the map and make it a landmark like San Francisco following the earthquake.

It was intended, according to the witness, to send three or four "good" men to Los Angeles and start them in different parts, and dynamite the water system simultaneously.

McManigal said that John McNamara planned to sweep down on the major speedway here on the day of the big race with a strong-arm gang, and the gate receipts and use the money for future dynamite operations.