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BREAK FROM JAIL IS FOLLOWED BY STORE ROBBERY

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JAIL BREAK IS TIMELY

Days Who Robbed Merrill Store Escape From County Jail Early This Morning—Attempt Made in Company With Two Other Youths Out on Parole to Rob the Gun Store of Barney Chambers.

One criminal is at large and three were captured following a well planned and timely jail break and attempted burglary of Chambers gun store that took place this morning about 1 o'clock.

Floyd Barnes, who was in the county jail waiting trial along with Robert Gumm, following the robbery of Anderson's grocery store in Merrill, escaped Night Patrolmen Durham and Green and Government Official Reeb, who apprehended William Gray, H. M. Chamberlain and Robert Gumm. Gray and Chamberlain, along with Gumm and Barnes, were caught in the act of removing the putty from a rear window of Chambers gun store on Main street.

Gray and Chamberlain were out on parole during good behavior, following their arrest some few days ago for having stolen a mackinaw. Officials of the county are certain that the entire plan of breaking jail and robbery of the store had been planned by the four criminals. Gumm pried loose a bar on the window of the county jail and then opened his body through the small opening between the bars. He then secured a crowbar and forced the two rear doors of the jail. He freed Barnes. The pair evidently met Gray and Chamberlain, and attempted to rob the gun store belonging to Barney Chambers.

First intimation that all was not right at the county jail was received by the police about 1 a. m. from neighbors about the Baldwin hotel, who reported that a suspicious looking negro was loitering about the place. The police immediately went to the Baldwin hotel and found Willie Williams, who was charged with vagrancy a few weeks ago. He was taken back to the jail, and investigation showed that Barnes and Gumm had likewise escaped. Williams, according to Sheriff Humphreys, was not connected with the jail breaking with the other quartet, but walked out after Gumm had pried the doors.

Neighbors living back of Chambers gun store were awakened by the sounds made by the escaped criminals attempting to remove the putty from one of the rear windows of the gun store. Figures of four men were seen, and the police were immediately telephoned for. Patrolmen Durham and Green, aided by Government Official Reeb and "Coo," underwood, cornered the criminals after a chase. Barnes, however, escaped during the excitement, and was last seen going over the hill toward Swan Lake.

Sheriff Humphrey has advised nearby authorities to be on the lookout for Barnes. Officer Reeb left for Portland this morning, and will advise the authorities there. Gumm, who was the main instigator in effecting the escape, according to county officials, is but 15 years of age. He is lodged in the county jail. Gray and Chamberlain were placed back to the county jail today. Willie Williams is at present in the city jail.

SOLDIER LANDS IN NEW YORK.

Word was received here today that Alex Martin, Jr., a former resident of this city, who has been with the Signal Corps in France has landed safe and sound in New York.

SUICIDE THOUGHT TO HAVE BOMBED HOME OF OSCAR LAWLER

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 7.—New evidence today increased the apparent guilt of Charles H. McGuire, assistant engineer of the municipal department of public works, who committed suicide last night by leaping from the eleventh story office of District Attorney Woolbine, when he was informed he would be indicted today for the bombing of the home of Oscar Lawler.

McGuire was recently removed as administrator of estates thru the efforts of Lawler. McGuire is said to have threatened revenge following his removal.

SERVICE MEN WILL MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

Arrangements will be made Friday evening, August 9th, at 7.30 p. m. at a big meeting of all Klamath Falls men who saw service in the war, for the part the men will take in the Elks parade that is scheduled for Saturday of convention week.

The Elks are especially desirous of having the service men march in the parade in uniform, and every effort is being made by the committee from the American Legion to assure a good turnout. All service men, whether they are members of the local post of the American Legion or not are asked to come to the meeting on Friday evening at the City Hall to enable the committee to tell the number that can be counted on for the parade.

LOCAL ARTIST WILL PRESENT BEAUTIFUL BANNER TO ELKS.

A Firbal, local artist, whose specialty is quick work in oils and paint, will present a beautiful silk banner to the local lodge of the Elks during the convention.

The familiar Elk head and clock insignia of the order are embossed on the center of the banner with a scene from Crater lake, as a background. The banner measures over three feet in length and width, and is made of the best Italian silk. Mr. Firbal spent much time in perfecting the work and will present it free of charge to the local lodge. He will open his stand on the grounds of the old court house just off Main Street within a few days and will do quick work during the entire convention period.

WILL TAKE CHARGE OF COMPANY.

Claude Chastain, secretary of the newly organized Crater Lake Co., left on the train this morning for Bray to take charge of the new holdings of the company. The Crater Lake Box Company recently purchased all the holdings of the Bray Lumber and Box Company at Bray and will assume operation immediately.

RETURN AFTER LONG ABSENCE.

After an absence of four years from their old home, Supreme Judge and Mrs. Henry L. Benson arrived in Klamath Falls last evening, for a visit of two or three weeks. The Elks convention brought the Judge and Mrs. Benson back to the city. They will be at the Baldwin hotel during this time.

Judge Benson said this morning that he had never hoped to be so pleased with the change and improvement in a place as he is with Klamath Falls. The visitors have not had an opportunity to view the city as yet as they have been busy meeting old friends and acquaintances.

DECORATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE.

Perhaps the first store in town to decorate its interior in the purple of the Elks is the H. N. Moe Store on Main Street. Purple and white flags are used in abundance over the store as well as steamers. The Main street window is particularly effective with a large replica of the Elk head and clock design, the insignia of the order. Attractive "welcome" signs greet the eye as you enter the store. The decorative scheme was worked out by Mr. Snively.

GOVERNMENT TO TRY PACKERS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The government's case against the packers will be placed before the federal government grand jury in Chicago in three weeks. Both criminal and civil prosecution will be instituted and the packers will be prosecuted under the Food Control Act for hoarding.

WORK STARTS ON HAY FOR FORT NEW HOSPITAL KLAMATH ROAD

Ground Is Broken for an Institution That Has Been Needed in Lake County for Many Years—Lay Sisters in Charge for Present.

LAKEVIEW, Aug. 7.—(Special) Ground was broken here yesterday for the new hospital building that is being erected under the direction of Rev. Hugh Brady, rector of St. Patrick's church in this city. The new institution is to be modern in every particular, and will be large enough to care for 25 patients. It will cost, when finished, 25,000. It was the intention of Father Brady to have the hospital in charge of an order of Sisters, but owing to the heavy toll of death during the influenza, it has become impossible for him to secure them at this time. Until he does the hospital will be in charge of lay nurses.

STEMWELL BUYS MAGUIRE STOCK

Charles F. Stemwell of the Central Outfitting company, Ninth and Main streets, has bought all of the men's clothing and furnishing stock belonging to the J. F. Maguire company, and is planning on offering it to the public at a special sale that will move all of the stock before it is placed on the shelves of his store. This stock is made up of a splendid line of merchandise, purchased by the Maguire company when prices were at bed rock, and some of it could not be duplicated at twice the price it was bought at originally. The reason for the decision of the Maguire company to dispose of it as a whole to the Central Outfitting company, was the desire of O. M. Hector to get settled down to business with his new plans and new stock of women's and children's dry goods and notions, and of C. F. Maguire to get started with his new shoe store. The transaction was a big one, and shows that things are moving at a lively pace in the business sections of the city.

LOCAL MEN BUY TOWNSEND FLATS

A deal has just been closed whereby W. C. Townsend has disposed of the property at the corner of Sixth and Pine streets, generally known as the Townsend Apartments, to J. M. Watkins and A. B. Epperson. These apartments were built about fourteen years ago by Harry Peltz; were later sold to Mr. and Mrs. Mann, and then purchased by Mr. Townsend. The property has always been a good revenue producer. It is the intention of the new owners to later improve the property with a modern apartment house when conditions will justify it.

LAKEVIEW PHONE LINE IMPROVED

Work has just been finished and the connection made yesterday afternoon on the reconstruction of four miles of the phone line between this city and Lakeview. Ever since the California-Oregon Power company extended its line to Bonanza to supply the power needed for pumping water for the high lands, there has been considerable difficulty experienced in carrying on conversation with Lakeview, the induction being so great as to produce a hum that almost drowned the human voice. With the construction of the new line, this has been entirely eliminated, and it is possible to hear as distinctly as if the conversation was being carried on with parties in this city.

SON BORN TO MRS. MEHAFFEY.

In a telegram to his mother-in-law, Mrs. Wilbur A. Jones, Lawrence Mehaffey announced the birth of his son Lawrence, Jr., at Antioch, California. The baby's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mehaffey, well known in this city before their marriage. Mrs. Mehaffey was formerly Maud Newbury and Mr. Mehaffey acted as assistant cashier in the First State and Savings Bank for a number of years. The baby weighed nine pounds at birth.

O. M. Plummer Makes a Suggestion for the Improvement of This Highway That Should Be Followed as Soon as Possible.

O. M. Plummer, manager of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, who has been in the city for several days, returned yesterday afternoon from Fort Klamath bringing with him a suggestion that should be adopted by the people of this city and Fort Klamath. It is that the stretch of road, about half a mile long, in the Indian Reservation that is in such an abominable condition as to make it extremely difficult to get over it, should be covered with hay or straw before the Elks convention. He suggested that the ladies of Klamath Falls prepare the lunches and the men of Fort Klamath furnish the hay and both parties meet at a designated point next Sunday and do the job. There is nothing difficult about the undertaking, requiring only a little telephoning and arrangement of plans. The suggestion is a good one and should be followed.

BEARDSLEY SAYS KLAMATH IS BEST

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Beardsley returned last evening from a three months' trip through the South and East, having visited San Francisco, Denver, Chicago, Mammoth Cave, Salt Lake City, Portland and other cities during their absence. During all the time he was away Mr. Beardsley had his eyes open to size up conditions, and comes back to Klamath Falls convinced that, taking into consideration the matter of size, there is no other city that is better off than Klamath Falls, and very few as good.

"Just during the short time I have been away I can notice a decided change for the better," said Mr. Beardsley. "You can feel it in the air. You step onto Main street and there is something that one cannot explain that tells him that things are humming, that there is in the making a city of considerable proportions. The farther one goes, after living in this city for a time, the more convinced he must be that Klamath Falls has a future, and that it is just now on the threshold of something big. I am mighty glad to get back, and, even at that, I am no more so than is Mrs. Beardsley."

NEW AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORY COMPANY OPENS ITS DOORS.

Something new in the line of auto accessories is carried by the recently established National Auto Accessory Company, that opened its doors two weeks ago on Fourth, between Main and Pine streets.

"Insyde Tyres," that are inserted between the casing and tube in automobile tires, are handled exclusively by the new concern. With each tire there is an absolute guarantee from the American Automobile Accessories Company of Cincinnati against blowouts. "Insyde Tyres" are made of tough rubber-impregnated fabric and are practically puncture proof when placed inside of an outer casing.

W. E. Smith, who is connected with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, and J. H. Taylor, who recently returned from overseas, have an agency for the accessory. They are expecting full shipments of "Insyde Tyres" within a few weeks, which time they will be able to fill the many orders that they are receiving from auto owners.

RECOVERS MEMORY AFTER LAPSE OF THREE YEARS.

ANAHEIM, Cal., Aug. 7.—The man employed four months at a feed and fuel company here has just announced the recovery of his memory—after a lapse of three years—and stated that he is the Rev. J. Paul Reeves, formerly the pastor of a Christian church at Morrowville, Kansas. He said he "lost" himself while on the way from Morrowville to Washington, Kan. He has written to his father the Rev. J. A. Reeves, of Stella, Neb.

ELKS MEET TONIGHT

Tonight will be the last regular meeting of the Elks lodge before the big convention of next week end. Important business concerning the many angles of the convention will be transacted. Every member is urged to be present. Initiation ceremonies will be conducted next Tuesday night.

WONG HIM TAKES HIS LIFE WHILE SERVING OUT JAIL SENTENCE

Wong Him, Chinese laundryman, who was convicted a week ago on a charge of running an opium den, committed suicide last night in the city jail about 6 p. m. by jumping off his bed after securely tying a strip of clothing about his neck and attaching the other end to a peg on the wall.

Wong was serving out his 50 day jail sentence imposed upon him recently for operating an opium den in the rear of his laundry. Officials in charge of the county jail noticed that Wong was acting strangely during the past few days and have watched him closely. He planned his act yesterday when few were about the jail and took the precaution to close the door that shut off the view into his cell. His inability to get opium after being addicted to the drug for many years brought on a moroseness and semi-insanity upon him, which is believed to have been the reason that he took his life.

Wong's body was removed last night to Whitlock's Undertaking Parlor's pending interment. A wire was sent to Wong's uncle in Portland asking for advice as to what disposition should be made of the body. Wong was about 30 years of age and had no relatives in Klamath Falls.

MCDUGALL SUES FOR ARCHITECT'S FEES

Another echo of the complications arising out of the construction of the various courthouses for which this city is getting to be so noted, has come in the shape of a thunder clap when suit was filed by Benjamin McDougall against Klamath County. Mr. McDougall was the architect for the Hot Springs courthouse and he asks judgment against the county for fees aggregating \$6,369.90. The suit comes as a surprise and the county court has not decided just what shall be done in the matter of defending the people against the claim of the San Francisco man.

When it was decided to build a courthouse on the site offered by the Klamath Development company, Mr. McDougall was selected as the architect to prepare the plans and specifications and superintend the work. This he did up to the time operations on the building stopped some four years or more ago. Now he wants pay for what he has done.

DANNIE O'BRIEN WILL BOX NEXT THURSDAY

Assurance that Dannie O'Brien, the popular Portland welterweight will appear in a six round bout, on next Thursday evening, in addition to the big boxing card that has already been arranged for, was given by his manager Jimmie Fagan, who was in town this morning arranging details of O'Brien's appearance here.

O'Brien will box Bobbie Waugh, a California welterweight, who has a big record in the south. Waugh has met some of the best men in the squared-ring during the past few years and will be a fit opponent for O'Brien. The latter boxer was thru the battle engagements that the 91st division took part in, and won the welterweight championship of his division in France. The addition of the O'Brien-Waugh bout to the local card will give the fans 32 rounds of boxing. It will be a card that all lovers of boxing are sure to enjoy.

Fans who want to see Dannie O'Brien work out can do so by going over to Weed on the night of August 11th. He will box "Kid" Harris of Klamath Falls in a six round semi-windup bout of the matches that are scheduled. Bob Wagner of Fort McDowell will meet Billie Braden of the Olympic Club in the main event of the evening.

PUREBRED STOCK IS NEEDED HERE

Live Stock Man Declares That Farmers of County Are Losing Millions of Dollars Every Year by Not Improving Breed of Animals.

"Oh! man, if I could tell you, if I could convince you, if I could wake the people here up to what they have at their feet. If I had the power of an Anthony, or a Demosthenes, or even of a William Jennings Bryan, so that I could go out on the highways and by-ways and preach to the people of Klamath Falls and Klamath county and tell them that they have here one of the best live stock sections in the whole west, I would do it, for it would be the means of bringing to Klamath millions upon millions of dollars that are now passing you by every year. Your lumber interests here are great, your scenic attractions still greater, your agricultural possibilities are wonderful, but greater than all combined is the live stock industry. There are no fluctuations in it. Hard time will not affect it. The people always have and always will eat meat. They can stop building, you can have labor troubles, you can have hard times, the people will stop travelling, crop failures will come, but the livestock industry goes right on the even course it has always pursued and if you bring it to its highest state of development in this county, will bring to you millions of dollars every year."

That is the way that enthusiast, that optimist, that purveyor of good cheer and helpfulness; O. M. Plummer, manager of the Pacific International Exposition, expressed himself last night after a visit to the Mall and Fort Klamath sections of the county, accompanied by Leslie Rigera of the First National bank. Continuing he said:

"If the development of your alfalfa ranches continues for the next five years and the price of that commodity remains the same as it is today, you will be producing \$25,000,000 worth of alfalfa every year. Few people believe this statement, for they don't know. That is why I would like to be able to talk to them in a way that would convince them. If these results are obtained in the growing of alfalfa you will have something to eat it and livestock is the answer. The conditions here are ideal for it. Pure bred livestock is what you want. I today saw in the Fort Klamath section a three months old calf that is worth today as much as a three-year old Arizona steer that stood beside it. Next year that calf will be worth more than the Arizona animal. The contrast was so great that it even amazed the stockmen present and was an ocular demonstration of the value of pure bred stock that was unanswerable."

"Right here in this valley the farmers should be raising and selling to the sheepmen that surround them on all sides the hundreds of pure bred bucks that they are buying elsewhere. The same is true of hogs. Every acre of your alfalfa land can be made to be worth two or three hundred dollars an acre. And the whole secret lies in pure bred stock."

"In your Malin section, I have seen something that I always believed to be impossible. I have seen them cut two tons of alfalfa to the acre the first year. I saw alfalfa that will cut five tons to the acre for one cutting I have seen crops unequalled anywhere in the west that I have visited. And yet with all these possibilities, I look around and am saddened when I see scattered thru this magnificent territory scrub stock—waste, waste, waste. But there is a change coming. The farmers are beginning to see that this talk about pure bred stock is not the talk of a promoter, or a man who has something to sell. They are beginning to see that it is the advice of friends—men who have devoted their lives to the industry and love it. They are beginning to see that it costs no more to raise a pure bred calf than it does a scrub and that the former is ready for the market earlier and brings a higher price than the latter. Seeing is believing and I expect to see a great change take place in Klamath County and I believe the day is not far distant when it will be one of the supply markets of the west."