

EVIDENCE NOT SUFFICIENT TO HOLD ACCUSED

C. Shutter, second hand auto and auto parts dealer of Bend, and Oscar Houston of Prineville, were released from custody this morning after hearing before Justice Chapman on charges of stealing a car from John Shewry, of the Warren Construction company's force, in this city last month.

Shutter claimed that he bought the car from a man named Jackson after it had broken down on the road midway between here and Bend. He produced a bill of sale, asserting that Jackson came into Bend and told him the car was broken down by the road, offering to sell it for \$400. He paid \$200 down and hired Houston to go with him to tow the car in. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stauffer of Bend testified that they told Shutter that they had passed the car and looked at it, and that it was in good condition except for burned out bearings. This, Shutter testified, was the reason that he bought the car "sight unseen." He took Stauffer's word that it was a good buy, he said.

In dismissing the case the court commented upon the increase of auto thefts all over the country, and alluded to the charge that there is an organized ring of auto thieves in Eastern Oregon. He said that Shutter's story, while plausible, showed that defendant had been indiscreet to an unbelievable extent. He said that he had known many second-hand dealers and in the light of his knowledge the defendant's tale that he had purchased the car on the word of the man Jackson (who, as far as the officers know, may be a creation of Shutter's imagination) was far-fetched, although the fact that Stauffer said it was worth the money lent some excuse to defendant's action. The court said that the entire transaction appeared shady, but in view of the fact that Shutter is in business at Bend, and can be readily found if the grand jury wants to take further action, and in view of insufficiency of the evidence, he refused to bind defendants over.

Shutter and Houston are both young men. The former is married. His wife was with him in the court room and when the court spoke the words that freed defendants from custody she clasped Shutter close and kissed him.

BONANZA RANCHER AND TEACHER WED

Cleve Ferris of Bonanza and Miss Nellie De La Meter of Fremont, Mich., were married this morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. S. J. Chaney, of the Methodist church. After the ceremony the young people left for a honeymoon trip to Crater Lake.

Mr. Ferris is a well known and popular rancher who has made his home in this county for the last eight years, having come here from Oklahoma. His bride taught school at Shasta View for two years, where she was popular with both her pupils and their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferris will make their home on Mr. Ferris' ranch near Bonanza.

BOURBONS ASK FOR WAR CHEST DONATIONS

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Democratic campaign chests are opened to contributions of any amount George White, chairman of the national committee, announced today to party leaders. White said "we will examine the source rather than the amount of the contributions."

"Peace, progress and prosperity" will be the three word slogan of the Democratic campaigners, White said, adding that with this slogan the party should be "Cox-sure" of victory.

WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Tonight and Friday, unsettled and cooler in the east portion; moderately westerly winds.

AMERICA PROTESTS JAPANESE OCCUPATION

TOKIO, July 29.—Japan has a communication from the United States, pointing out among other things that America is unable to recognize Japan's occupation of the northern half of Saghalin Island. The newspaper, Nichi Nichi, says the nature of the protest, however, causes the impression to exist that the communication is not really a protest but rather an exposition of the American viewpoint on the occupation of Russian territory, with something of America's attitude towards the territory to be occupied.

UNION SOCIAL DRAWS CROWD

Carpenter's local, No. 196, gave a social for members and their ladies and a few invited guests at Houston's opera house last night. The local has a membership of between 90 and 100 craftsmen and more than half of them were there, making, with their wives, sweethearts, sons and daughters, a gathering of a couple of hundred people. Those who stayed away did so unavoidably, it was explained, being employed on mill construction and other work in outside parts of the county.

A short speaking program was followed by a light repast of sandwiches, cake and ice cream. Soda water, lemonade and beer flowed under a free tap. Dancing, cards and music enlivened the evening. Mrs. A. J. Bustamente sang a couple of pleasing solos.

Among the speakers of the evening were Mayor I. R. Struble, former president, of the local. The mayor, as one of the oldest members of organized labor here, extended his congratulations to the carpenters on the strength of their organization. Among other things he said:

"A great many people think that unions are organized to cause trouble, but in reality unions are organized to keep us out of trouble. Bankers, attorneys, physicians and others have their organizations here. The business men and mill men are organized. Why have we not the same right to organize? As one of the oldest union men in town I am in favor of unions. There are some things on which I do not agree with other men in the union movement but I believe that the rule of the majority on these points should be abided by."

Frank B. Robinson of the Warren Hunt hospital pharmacy made complimentary remarks on the size of the gathering and asked them to use their influence for a cleaner town in which to bring up their families. W. F. Kay, secretary of the labor council, J. B. Moore of the carpenter's union, and C. E. Bristow, secretary of the local, and chairman of the evening, were other speakers.

POSSE HAS TWO FRESH CLUES

PENDLETON, July 29.—Posses are today following two new clues in the search for Sheriff Taylor's slayers. Early today a Umatilla Indian came to Pendleton and reported two men had robbed the cabin of Jim Mox, an Indian, 70 miles east of Pendleton during the night. Mox was sick and unable to identify the men who took only food. A posse of eight men, with bloodhounds, was sent there. Posse officials refused to disclose the other lead that is being followed. Two half-breds have been arrested, charged with lending aid to the escaped men.

Two of the escapes are believed to be trapped at Meacham creek. Twenty possemen there believe they have the men trapped in such a manner that they cannot escape. Additional possemen are being rushed to the scene.

REGULATION OF WATER POWER IS BEING DRAFTED

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Regulations for the administration of the federal act opening up the country's vast waterpower resources to private development are now being drafted. As soon as they are completed the waterpower commission, composed of the secretaries of war, interior and agriculture, will hold hearings on them.

The commission, of which Secretary Baker has been appointed chairman by President Wilson, will hold its first meeting immediately on Secretary Payne's return from Alaska about August 5. The hearings on the regulations will be pushed as speedily as possible so that the waterpower legislation, which has been 10 years in the making, can be put into effect without undue delay.

The tentative regulations are being drawn up by a special committee of the war, interior and agricultural departments. It is composed of Major-General Enoch H. Crowder, representing the war department; O. C. Merrill, waterpower expert in the forestry service, who has been designated executive secretary of the commission and H. A. Stabler, of the interior department.

Members of the committee say the regulations will be extensive and that they probably will be announced in series, with open hearings on each group before they are made final. Those relating to form and condition of application for survey permit or licenses will be the first announced. The most difficult problem involved in drawing up the regulations, members of the committee say, is that of establishing a uniform system of accounting for licensees as required by the act.

Under the waterpower bill the commission is empowered to issue licenses for a period not exceeding 50 years. The licensees will pay to the government reasonable annual charges in an amount to be fixed by the commission. Upon the expiration of any license the government, if two years' notice in writing has been given by the commission, will have the right to take over and operate any waterpower development after payment of the net investment of the licensee in the project or projects taken, not to exceed the fair value of the property plus such reasonable damages, if any, to property of the licensee as may be caused by the severance therefrom of property taken.

In cases where such notice has not been given the government also will have the right to take over upon mutual agreement with the licensee any property developed under the terms of the bill subject to the payment of the net investment.

An average tree makes five hundred pounds of paper pulp.

MASSACHUSETTS FOREST SERVICE PARTY IS HERE

Members of the Massachusetts state forestry service, who are making a tour of the national parks of the United States, began arriving here from Crater lake this afternoon at 1:30. The last car load got in at 3 o'clock. The tour is being conducted by the American Express company. Charles C. Heyl, who represents the travel department of the company is the leader of the tour.

The association left Boston June 24 and expect to get back August 24. They began their visits to the parks at the Glacier park, which Mr. Heyl considers the most impressive of all the national play grounds. They have yet to see the Yosemite and Sequoia parks. That part of the journey begins when they leave here on the train in the morning for San Francisco.

The easterners said they were delayed in getting to Klamath Falls today by the exceptionally poor roads on the east side of the lake and they were compelled to cross over to the west side in order to get through.

These in the party were: Charles C. Heyl, leader, from New York city; Mrs. I. D. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gunther, C. F. Brown and Mrs. J. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McGowan, W. P. Warton, Miss Gertrude Gerash, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bacon, Mrs. M. L. Van Demark, C. W. Meyer, Mrs. M. L. Robins, H. Coolidge, H. A. Reynolds, secretary of the forestry association and the only one of the party who was here with the company who made the tour last summer. Miss A. C. Murdock, Miss B. A. Denig, Mrs. E. E. Morse and Miss H. W. Narey.

CONTRACTOR AND TEACHER WEDDED

Claude E. Solomon, contractor and builder, and Miss Rachael Lee Applegate, well known teacher and daughter of Capt. O. C. Applegate, were married this morning at the Applegate residence on North Seventh street by the Rev. C. F. Trimble. The wedding was a quiet early morning affair and following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Solomon left for a honeymoon at Spring Creek.

The bride is widely known, having been born here and grows up in the community. Both on account of the prominence of her family, who are among the earliest pioneers of the state and county, and through her own pleasing personality she numbers among her friends and well wishers all residents of the community. She is a member of the faculty of the county high school, having

CLAIM CONFIRMATION OF VILLA'S SURRENDER

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Official confirmation of the surrender of Villa to the Mexican federal government was received by the state department today. The state department dispatch says Villa declared he surrendered because the country needs peace for reconstruction. He will reside at Neives, Zacatecas, after disbanding his troops.

GAMBLING ROW ENDS IN SLAYING

After he and two companions had won \$500 in a gambling den in Lockeport, near Sacramento, Fred Chisholm, 30 years old, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, was shot and killed late Monday by two Chinese, says the Sacramento Bee. George Shin, 20, and William Chin Wing Dong, 24, have been arrested and face charges of murder. Sam Jee, 26, a third Chinese, driver of an automobile stage, is also in the county jail on a charge of assisting Dong in an attempt to escape.

Chisholm, with A. W. Maher and James Brodie of Oakland were playing card games in a Chinese gambling house. The Chinese accused them of using a sleeve device for "holding out" cards. There was trouble and the three men left the place. It is said they had won \$500 or more. They were followed by two Chinese for half a block, when one of the Chinese opened fire with a revolver. The three men fled. Chisholm was followed several hundred yards and shot.

It is alleged Dong fired the first shot and that Shin took the weapon from him and killed Chisholm. One bullet penetrated Chisholm's back. He died while being rushed to a physician in Walnut Grove.

Shin was captured by Deputy Sheriff Walter Goodman shortly after the shooting. Threats were made by a large number of fruit pickers to lynch Shin, but Goodman kept his prisoner over to Sheriff Ellis Jones and Deputy Sheriff George Wittenstock. Dong escaped in an auto stage but was followed and captured.

As far as can be ascertained Chisholm has no relatives here. He was arrested April 27 last, with three others, on complaint of Roy Clark, a gambler by his own admission, who claimed he had been victimized to the tune of \$800 in a poker game among professional gamblers.

Chisholm pleaded guilty and was fined \$75 and costs in Justice Chapman's court, April 28, and afterward left town.

FUNERAL OF MERRILL WOMAN HELD TODAY

Funeral services were held at Merrill this morning for Mrs. Ruth Jane Rich, aged 76, a resident of that community for about 7 years, and mother of James E. and M. F. Copeck of Malin. Mrs. Rich died Tuesday.

She was a native of Indiana. In 1888 she moved to Santa Cruz, California, and seven years ago moved to this county. The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. C. F. Trimble.

ONE KILLED, ANOTHER HURT, IN AUTO WRECK

ROSEBURG, July 29.—O. P. Walker of Oakland, Calif., a salesman, was killed, and O. H. Johnson of Oakland injured when their automobile went over an embankment near Sutherlin last night. Walker, whose skull was crushed, died in the Sutherlin hospital. Johnson's injuries are slight.

had charge of the English and Latin department.

Mr. Solomon came here last year from Burns, Oregon. Despite his short residence he has, on account of his interest in welfare work of various kinds, particularly through his part in the campaign against the influenza epidemic, acquired a wide acquaintance.

BEEF PRICES IN 6 MONTHS SHOW WIDE VARIANCE

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Unusual fluctuations in the price of dressed beef occurred during the first six months of this year, says a report of the United States bureau of markets. Starting with a top price of \$21 for good grade beef in January, sharp and erratic price changes marked trading throughout the period, with the low top price of \$17 recorded during the last week in May and the high point, \$21, made on June 23, an increase of \$14 a hundred pounds in 30 days.

A series of unavoidable events, most of them resulting from abnormal conditions produced by the war, contributed to the phenomenal price trends, the report says. Among the principal disturbing influences described are periodical releases by the war department of surplus stocks of beef in an effort to reduce living costs, higher stocker and feeder markets, high priced feeds, fruition of producers' efforts to increase cattle production for war needs and anticipated foreign demands, labor troubles, decreased transportation facilities, embargoes, unsettled foreign credit and exchange conditions, decrease in beef exports, financial credit restrictions, declines in prices of hides, tallow and other animal by-products and decreased or spasmodic consumption of meat.

In fact, the report says, every possible economic factor incidental to a period of reconstruction and capable of disturbing market conditions for these products of the farm and range had free and almost unlimited action.

Prices of livestock in the Chicago market and those paid for dressed carcasses as taken from New York quotations from 10 days to two weeks after the live cattle transactions also showed wide fluctuations, the report asserts. The difference of \$2.25 per 100 pounds between prices for good beef steers and the corresponding grade of dressed carcasses in January was widened until it stood at \$14.50 during the closing days of June. For the same period the difference between the low price of medium steers on the hoof and in the carcass had advanced from \$6.25 to \$12.75.

A comparison of live cattle prices and prices on relative grades of dressed meats on January 3 and June 30 this year with those of corresponding dates last year shows the top price for good beef steers at the beginning of this year at \$18.75 and at the end of June as \$16.50 with the opening top price on dressed beef from such steers at \$21 and the close at 31. On January 3, 1919, live prices for the same grade were up to \$17.75 and at the end of six months the top stood at \$14.60, a decline of \$3.15. Good dressed beef on January 3 last year, registered a top of \$27 and on June 30 had declined \$8 to a top of \$19.

LONG SAYS TIMBER WILL LAST FOR YEARS

R. A. Long of the Long-Bell Lumber company of Kansas City, which modestly admits the charge of being the largest producer of lumber in the world, has returned from a trip made to Astoria last week and is registered at the Benson, says the Portland Oregonian. Mr. Long is still shy about admitting just where and when the Kansas City company will install its first mill, but he intimated that the site would be selected in the next few weeks. The first mill will have a capacity of 100,000,000 feet annually, he said, and the total annual output of the three or four mills to be installed in the state will approach the 500,000,000 mark. (This would raise the total yearly output of the Long-Bell mills to the billion mark. "There is plenty of timber left in this country," Mr. Long said, in reply to a question about timber resources. "This generation won't see the end of the supply, nor the next, nor even the next. If that problem was all that this country has to worry about, it would be a great life."

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STATE LEGISLATURES THAT HAVE RATIFIED THE AMENDMENT:

REPUBLICAN	29	6
DEMOCRATIC		

LEGISLATURES REJECTING AMENDMENT:

REPUBLICAN	1	7
DEMOCRATIC		

GOVERNORS CALLING SPECIAL SESSIONS TO RATIFY AMENDMENT:

REPUBLICAN	16	9
DEMOCRATIC		

Alon T. Bell

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