

PLOT TO BLOW UP LOST WIFE

MAN PLACES DYNAMITE TRAP IN HOUSE, AND EVICTION OFFICERS ARE INJURED BY EXPLOSION INTENDED FOR HER

OAKLAND, May 29.—When the constables this morning went to evict Charles Picards from the home awarded to his wife in her recent successful suit for a divorce, an explosion of dynamite hurled the officers into the street. Constable Kihn was severely injured. Two other explosions followed, and the home was demolished.

An investigation showed that the explosion was caused by packages of shotgun shells and slugs of dynamite. Revolvers were so placed as to fire into the packages. The revolvers were attached to the doors by wires, so when the officers entered it caused the explosion.

Constable Kihn, who was the first to attempt to enter, received the full force of the first explosion. He was hurled backward, his clothing flaming and his shoulders filled with small shot from the cartridges. Deputy McDonald's teeth were so loosened by the force of the explosion, that several of them fell out. Fellow officers dragged the men back.

Three other explosions followed, believed to be the result of the concussion of the first. Neighbors say the home has been closed for three days. Picards was last seen there about a week ago.

LOUISIANA WILL REGAIN TREASURE

WASHINGTON, May 27.—After nearly fifty years in the archives of the war department, it now seems probable that the ordinance of secession passed by the state of Louisiana will be returned to that state. A resolution introduced by Senator Foster providing for its return has been favorably reported to the senate, and its passage is expected.

The suggestion for its return was made by the war department officials. They saw no reason for its retention among the war department records, though they lacked authority to return it to Louisiana. Their suggestion was warmly received in Louisiana, and for several years efforts have been made to enact legislation for its return. Thus far Senator Heyburn, noted for waving the "bloody shirt" in the senate on similar questions, has blocked action upon the resolution by raising a point of order. There is reason to believe, however, that his opposition will be rendered ineffectual at this session.

The document was enacted in convention at Baton Rouge on January 28, 1861. It remained at the state capitol until the capture of the city by federal troops. At the war department there is now no one who is familiar with the history of its receipt in Washington. During the federal occupation of Louisiana there were many records shipped to Washington, and it is presumed that the ordinance of secession was among them.

The Louisiana ordinance is unusual in that it is done in both English and French, in parallel columns. Out of the 121 names signed to it, nearly half are plainly French in their derivation. The document has been kept rolled up in a metal case since its seizure, and as a result the parchment is showing signs of cracking. The signatures near the bottom are fast fading and are scarcely legible. A curious feature is that the document is undated. The signatures include those of A. Mouton, president of the convention.

The whole argument upon which the Southern statesmen based their claim of the right of a state to secede is found in one word in the Louisiana ordinance. This word is "compact," by which the document of secession characterizes the federal constitution. The Northern view, coming down from the old federal party, was that the constitution was a contract, from which no party could withdraw, rather than a temporary agreement, to be terminated upon the desire of any party to do so. The text of the ordinance was as follows:

"An ordinance to dissolve the union between the state of Louisiana and other states in the United States of America with her, under the compact, entitled the Constitution of the United States of America.

"We, the people of the state of Louisiana, in convention assembled, do declare and ordain, and it is hereby declared and ordained

"That the ordinance passed by us in convention of November 11, 1811, whereby the Constitution of the United States and the amendments to the Constitution were adopted, and all laws and ordinances by which the

state of Louisiana became a member of the Federal Union, be and the same hereby are repealed and abrogated, and that the Union now subsisting between Louisiana and the other states under the name of the United States of America is hereby dissolved.

"We do further declare and ordain "That the state of Louisiana hereby resumes all rights and powers heretofore delegated to the government of the United States; that her citizens are absolved from all allegiance to said government; and that she is in full possession of all those rights of sovereignty which appertain to a free and independent state.

"We do further declare and ordain "That all rights acquired and vested under the Constitution of the United States or any act of congress or treaty, or under any laws of this state and not incompatible with this ordinance shall remain in force and have the same effect as if this ordinance had not been passed."

SOME MAIL MAY BE SENT OUT BY EXPRESS

Since the discontinuance of the mail service on trains 39 and 40, it is probable that arrangements will be made by the department to have two sacks of mail, one for the north and one for the south, taken from here to Weed by express. The advice of Postmaster Emmitt has been asked on the matter, and he will recommend that it be done.

This would enable the mail arriving here in the evening from Lakeview, Merrill, Fort Klamath and the northern part of the county, to be sent out of here in the morning, instead of laying over until late in the afternoon. In addition to the county mail which arrives here by stage, after the evening train has departed, it is stated that the greater portion of the outgoing city mail is posted in the evening.

MILLS ADDITION IS STRONG FOR RAILWAY

(Staff Correspondent)

Geo. B. Frank in speaking of the city railway, believes that the only course for the road to take is, starting in at the depot, run from Spring street to main, along Main to Conger, up Conger and California avenue to Shippington, returning through Fairview, then north of the canal to the Crescent to Manzanita; thence to the Esplanade through the Hot Springs addition, crossing the canal at the head of Stukel avenue, Mills addition; extending the whole length of the Mills addition to Sixth street; thence along Sixth street to Spring to the place of beginning, forming a complete circuit of the outlying districts

Mr. Frank is very enthusiastic over the railway proposition, and believes we should all support it, provided the people's rights are properly safeguarded. The whole of Mills addition might be said to hold the same view of the matter.

S. J. Bailey, late of Corning, Calif., who succeeded Mr. Mills as agent for the Southern Pacific here, is already a boomer for Klamath Falls, and particularly for Mills addition, where he is going to reside. Mr. Bailey says this country looks good to him, and that he will tell his friends about it. Speaking of the business handled by the Southern Pacific here, he says that although he has a full force of men, the volume of business is so great that his men are rushed all the time. Mr. Bailey seems to be the right sort of a man for a growing city like ours.

No one, possibly, has done more for the Mills addition than has William McCabe, who owns the only mercantile establishment in this part of the city. His store is a great convenience, not only to Mills addition, but also to the residents of Mills Second addition and the new Ward-Nelson addition. The store is located on the county road, and is within easy reach of all these additions.

FOREST GROVES AWARDS IS BLOCKS OF PAVING

FOREST GROVE, May 27.—The Forest Grove city council has awarded the contract for eighteen blocks of bitulthic pavement to the Warren Construction company of Portland at \$2.07 a square yard. The contract will be signed May 29th.

Work is to begin within ten days, and be completed within 120 days. The Pacific Bridge company of Portland bid \$2.15 for the same work.

LAKE CITY WAGON ROAD NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The new wagon road from Lake city to Davis Creek is now under construction, and when completed promises to be the best highway leading from Surprise Valley to the railroad. The distance from Lake City to Davis Creek by way of the new road will be but 11 1/2 miles, and the steepest grade will not exceed 10 per cent.

The road passes through a portion

of the Modoc National forest, and men are now engaged in removing trees from the right of way.—Lake County Examiner.

ELKS LODGE FOR THIS CITY IS NOW A CERTAINTY

It's all settled now. Klamath Falls gets an Elks Lodge.

F. H. Mills, the man delegated by the Antlers Club to journey to Portland to interview Exalted Ruler Hermann regarding a dispensation, was successful in his efforts, and returned home joyful Sunday night. Mr. Mills and Dr. Smith of Salem, the Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for this district, waited upon Hermann, told him of the desires of the local Elks, and showed him a special enumeration of over 5,000 names, approved by the mayor and city council. As a result, Mr. Hermann granted the dispensation, subject to the protest of the Ashland Lodge, in whose district the local territory is located.

On his way south from Portland, Mr. Mills stopped off in Ashland Saturday night, and attended a meeting of the antlered herd there. At this meeting the Ashland Lodge waived its right to protest, so the only obstacle was removed. No time was lost in telegraphing this news to Hermann, so the dispensation will in all probability be here by the last of the week.

Members of the order met Mr. Mills at the train last night, and escorted him into the club rooms, where he reported his work. Following this report the members got right down to facts, and plans for the installation of a lodge here were discussed. The members hope to have the local lodge started within three weeks, and great plans are to be made for the entertainment of the hundreds of Elks and their wives, who will be here in attendance from all parts of Oregon and many California points. Another meeting will be held this evening, and every Elk in Klamath Falls and vicinity is urgently requested to be present.

GAINS OF LONDON'S POP- ULATION WAS 671,561

LONDON, May 27.—Provisional figures returned by the census office gives the population of England and Wales this year as 36,075,269, compared with 35,527,843 in 1901.

While most of the cities and counties show an increase, there were many cases, particularly in Wales, where there has been an actual decrease.

Greater London's population has increased to 7,252,963 from 6,581,402 in 1901. This increase is entirely in what is known as the outer ring, showing that the people are moving from the more crowded centers. In fact many of the old metropolitan boroughs and the city of London proper have lost their population to the suburbs. The county of London, including the city of London and the boroughs immediately above it, shows a decrease from 4,536,267 in 1901, to 4,522,961 in 1911.

THINGS ARE LIVELY AROUND SHIPPINGTON

(Staff Correspondent)

A fine road has been built from the site of the new mill at Terminal to the railroad for hauling lumber. Work will be commenced soon. The mill will employ a large force of men and expects to turn out 180,000 feet a day.

The big pile of rails and ties stored by the railroad at Terminal is being reduced very fast, showing the road must be pushing ahead rapidly.

The builders of the Knapp mill refuse to be interviewed, and, as they are surrounded by water, they have things their own way. One can see, however, that they are beginning to lay the floor and have about half the piles in place.

It is reported that the Winema will tow the dredge Klamath Queen up to the woods, where she will dig a channel for floating down logs.

A dead dog is lying near the road from Shippington to Klamath, beside the bridge out from Fairview. We wish it might come to the nose of the official who would remove it.

Potatoes are going into the ground on Buena Vista hill at the rate of fifteen sacks a day. It is a great improvement over sage brush, which, by the way, the company is having removed from a strip reaching to the lake.

KANSAS CITY GIRL IS TO MARRY CHINAMAN

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 27.—People throughout the state of Missouri are shocked by the announcement that Miss Elizabeth Wood, the daughter of a Kansas City contractor, is to marry Dr. Lee Chee, a Chinese graduate of the University Medical college. The couple will go to China, where the oriental bridegroom intends to practice his profession.

INDIAN PROVES TO BE MYSTERY

ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER FROM
KLAMATH FALLS IS PUZZLING
THE FEDERAL AUTHORITIES
AT PORTLAND.

The government secret service is curious to know who the young quarter breed Cherokee Indian, said to be a graduate of Carlisle, baseball player and alleged counterfeiter they have booked in the county jail under the name of Charles E. Brown, really is, says the Portland Journal. They have been unable to find out farther than the prisoner admits his name is not Brown and says he wishes to conceal it so as to shield his family.

"Brown" was arrested in Klamath several weeks ago and the police there claim to have found a counterfeiter's mould and several bogus silver dollars on him. He was brought to Portland by a federal deputy marshal to whom he gave the name of Charles E. Brown. On the way up he astonished his fellow passengers by conversing with a Spaniard, a Frenchman and a German, each in his own tongue, with facility and correctness.

No "Brown" at Carlisle

Yesterday The Journal received a letter from M. Friedman, superintendent of the United States Indian school at Carlisle saying that the school records show no Charles E. Brown has ever been enrolled at Carlisle and asking that the statement that Brown, the alleged counterfeiter, was a Carlisle graduate be corrected.

"Brown" smiled yesterday when he was asked whether that was his real name.

"No," he said, "it isn't, but because of my father I do not wish to give my own name. I was graduated from Carlisle four years ago; my profession is that of a chemist and I've worked at it in the south and west for the past four years. I've also worked as a machinist. My home was in Muskogee, I. T., and I am a quarter-breed Cherokee."

The prisoner is about 26 years old, his manners are graceful and he uses excellent English. When the name of Friedman was mentioned he said that Friedman knew him well.

Is Well Educated

While there is no additional way of establishing the prisoner's connection with the Indian school, he is evidently educated and the fact that he was formerly a student at the school was not first divulged by him but by an acquaintance in Klamath Falls. "Brown" said yesterday he regretted the incident had ever become known.

Brown's bail was fixed at \$500 and he is unable to raise this amount, so he'll probably have to stay in jail until the next federal grand jury, anyway. There is a good deal of mystery about Brown's case in addition to the suppression of his name. An Indian counterfeiter is practically unheard of. It has not developed that he has tempted to pass any money and the government men who have looked at what is claimed to be the counterfeiters he made say that they are not of a character to deceive anyone.

WHERE THE FACULTY WILL SPEND THE SUMMER

Principal Faught will spend the summer in Klamath Falls, planning for the next year's work in Klamath High.

Assistant Principal Howard will teach summer school for a month, and then begin preparations for going to Coquille, Ore., about August 1st, at which place he will be superintendent of schools for the coming year.

Miss Cornwall and Miss Conrey will spend the summer with their parents in Iowa.

Mr. Eddy will remain in Klamath Falls, occupying a desk in the office of Judge Elliott.

Mr. Hawley will visit his parents in Corvallis for a few weeks, returning some time in July to install the machinery for the advanced Manual Training work of the coming year.

Mr. Wirtz will continue his music work here. The High School band will continue practice during the summer under his direction.

FINDING OF SKELETONS RE- CALLS DISAPPEARANCE OF 2

RENO, Nev., May 27.—The unearthing of the skeletons of a woman and a man on the road to Lovelock today recalled to old settlers a desert mystery of nine years ago, when a man and woman disappeared after purchasing clothing in Carson.

The skeletons were wrapped in gunny sacking. The belief prevails here that double murder was committed.

Frank Norris, who is holding down a homestead in Poe Valley, was in town on business Saturday.

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