

NORTHWESTERN'S "FAKE" STORY

REPORT THAT WHEELER HAD SKIPPED IS DENIED

Former Deputy Sheriff and Witness in the Graft Cases Is Now in Alberta, But Will Return to This City in About a Month—He Is in Communication With Friends in This City

Friends of James H. Wheeler are highly indignant over a story which appeared in the morning paper in effect that Mr. Wheeler had "skipped" the country in order to escape appearing as a witness against men who were recently indicted by the county grand jury on graft charges. Deputy United States Marshal Beatty, who is credited with having furnished the paper with the facts on which the article was based, declared Saturday that he had not given the paper any such information.

"I told the Northwestern reporter last night that Wheeler was in Canada," said Mr. Beatty. "I did not say that Wheeler intended staying in the far north. All of the information that I have concerning the whereabouts of Wheeler came from the sheriff's office here. I do not enjoy having my statements so twisted as to make a liar out of me."

As a matter of fact, Wheeler has been in constant communication with friends in this city. He is not in British Columbia, as stated by the morning paper, but is in Alberta. His last letter to Deputy Sheriff John Schallock was from Hardey, Alta., and was received here September 28. In this letter Mr. Wheeler writes that he will probably return to this city in about a month. Omitting matters of business in which Mr. Wheeler is engaged with Mr. Schallock, the letter is as follows:

"Hardey, Alta., Sept. 24, 1912. Mr. John Schallock, Klamath Falls: "Dear Friend—Well John, I have got about 900 miles up in Canada. Have seen some very fine wheat country, the best I have ever seen. They raise from 40 to 50 bushels of wheat to the acre and from 80 to 110 bushels of oats to the acre."

"Where I am now is a stock country, and a fine one, too. Stock winter out here. Two-year-olds are larger than your 4-year-olds."

"There is a world of land to be taken up. . . . "Well, John, how are things down there? Tell me all the news when you write. I don't know just when I will be home, but probably in a month."

"I am not doing anything yet, but I may go on a threshing machine tomorrow, or I may go north. I might just as well see all over this country while I am up here. . . . "Well, John, be good."

"J. H. WHEELER, "Box 58, Hardey, Alta."

THEFT SUSPECTS ARE TO BE HELD

Charged with stealing two shirts from the C. E. Atkinson store, Thos. Moore and Jas. Howe were bound over to the next grand jury by Justice Graves Saturday afternoon. Bonds were fixed at \$500 each.

Howe took the stand in his defense this afternoon. He declared that he had bought the shirts from a stranger, paying 60 cents for them. He said that he had gone into the Atkinson store to buy a hat, but could not find one small enough for him.

"I have a very small head," he said, "and have a lot of trouble getting a headpiece that will fit."

The two defendants were represented in court by Attorney Sidney Johnson. H. M. Manning represented the district attorney's office.

ARRESTS OF TWO MEN EXPECTED

Although no word has been received here announcing their capture, it is practically certain that Brier and Anderson will be taken into custody within the next day or two.

It was ascertained Friday that shipments of stock into Canada are delayed at least a week at the international boundary line, and this, it is believed, accounts for the fact that the Vancouver officers have not made the arrests. It is supposed that Brier and Anderson, with their horses, are held at quarantine at one of the points of entry along the Canadian line.

Sheriff Barnes is now on the trail of the two men, and in the morning C. F. Stone, who is the attorney for the creditors of the two fugitives, will leave to assist the sheriff in tracing the men. Mr. Stone will attend a meeting of the fish and game commission in Portland on Monday, and will then go on north.

REV. FLINN TO LEAVE THE CITY

At a meeting of the church board held Friday night, the resignation of Rev. E. M. Flinn, pastor of the Chris-

tian church, was accepted, and an effort will be made to engage another pastor at once. Rev. Flinn will remain in the city until his successor arrives.

It was stated Saturday that the board would communicate with a minister at present in Nebraska, and who, it is expected, will be called here.

RICH STORE IS SOLD TO REIDY

The L. B. Rich shoe stock, recently attached, was sold by the sheriff last Saturday to satisfy a chattel mortgage held by W. P. Johnson for \$7,000. F. M. Reidy was the highest bidder, with an offer of \$2,510.

Rich's store was closed up several weeks ago when he was charged with having too many wives. He is now at liberty on \$1,000 bonds, having been indicted by the Josephine county grand jury.

BIG LEAGUES CLOSE SEASON

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The National and American leagues closed this afternoon. Gardner of Boston today injured his finger which was fractured recently. Doyle of the Giants, who was spiked Thursday, is not seriously injured.

The Giants will play the Highlanders Monday.

Wilson En Route West

AMES, Iowa, Oct. 5.—Woodrow Wilson is en route West today. He will meet Bryan in Lincoln at a rally to be held tonight.

Doctor at the Fort

Dr. Andrew A. Soule was visiting in town Saturday. He recently removed from Montague, Calif., to Fort Klamath, where he has established offices.

J. W. Ross and family will leave tomorrow for Sacramento, where they will make their home. Mr. Ross has been engaged in the real estate business here.

RANCHER WINS A TEXAS GIRL

HUGH G. WEAL AND MISS ALICE POWELL ARE MARRIED AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH—LEAVE FOR LAKEVIEW

The culmination of a romance which had its inception in Texas several years ago occurred in this city Sunday night, when Hugh G. Weal and Alice Powell were united in marriage at the Baptist church by Rev. J. G. Brendel.

Miss Powell arrived in the city on Sunday afternoon from Texas. She was met at the train by Mr. Weal.

County Clerk De Lap was appealed to, and he opened his office to issue the license. Soon after the wedding ceremony was performed, and this morning Mr. and Mrs. Weal left for Lakeview.

Mr. Weal is a well known rancher of Drews Valley.

HUGE MACHINE BEING MOVED

The big gasoline excavator of the reclamation service is being moved today from near the T. E. Griffith ranch to a point across the main drain. Although the distance from the place where the machine now is to where the new work will be started is but a couple of hundred yards, it is necessary to move the huge machine over about five miles of territory.

The excavator will be continued in operation as long as possible this winter. Two shifts are employed.

HECTOR'S STORE IS SCENE OF BURGLAR'S ACTIVITIES

The Hector department store was broken into Sunday night and many articles of value stolen. The police today are working on some clues left behind.

The robbery was discovered this morning by Mr. Hector when he opened the store. A rear window was open, and an investigation revealed the loss of a suit of clothes, a tray of scarf pins, a pair of glasses belonging to one of the clerks, Mrs. Lundy, and the chain from a pair of glasses belonging to another clerk, Miss James. It is probable that other articles were stolen.

The window was opened by means of an improvised "jimmy," which was left on the scene. It was a piece of iron from the brake of a box car.

The cash register was broken open, but nothing was secured, as the cash had been transferred to the safe upon the closing of business Saturday evening.

No attempt was made to break open the safe.

The suit of clothes stolen had been selected Saturday night by a local man and a deposit had been paid on it.

Mrs. T. J. Ford of Salem is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. J. Colbert on East street.

WILLIS SEEKS TO RECOVER \$6,000

ACTION BY FURNITURE DEALER WILL BE HEARD BY JUDGE BENSON DURING TERM OF COURT IN LAKEVIEW

An echo of the criminal charge on which L. Willis was acquitted by a jury in this city recently will be heard by Judge Benson at Lakeview during the present term of court there, when the case of the Willis Furniture company against the Horticultural Fire Relief company of Salem is taken up.

Mr. Willis' store was destroyed by fire in Lakeview last February, and in an effort to collect the insurance it was charged that he had committed perjury. He was tried here and acquitted. An action has now been started against the insurance company to recover \$6,000 insurance.

W. Lair Thompson of Lakeview and J. C. Rutledge and J. S. Kent of this city are attorneys for the plaintiff.

BONANZA PEOPLE PAY CONTRACTOR FOR WORK

A school meeting was held Saturday in Bonanza, to pass on the contractor's claim for balance on the school building erected in 1907.

The district had issued a warrant, but the same not being properly signed by the chairman of the board, Judge Benson in the case of Klamath County Bank against the School District No. 2, tried last month, held it ineffectual. This, of course, did not pay the debt, and the meeting voted to pay the contractor, R. E. Wattenburg, the balance of \$1,650, and a new warrant was properly issued to him.

LUMBER CARGO IS RECOVERED

As a result of striking a sunken log, a barge of lumber being towed by the Pelican Navigation company's launch Oakland was submerged in the Upper Lake Saturday afternoon and was abandoned. The barge was loaded with 32,000 feet of lumber destined for Pelican Bay.

At the office of the Klamath Development Co. Monday afternoon it was stated that 28,000 feet of the lumber had been recovered last night, and it was expected that the balance of the cargo of the barge would be salvaged before tonight.

MINING MEN ARE IN THE CITY

In order to interest local capital in the High Grade district east of here, where some rich strikes have been made recently, Charles H. Fulton and B. X. Dawson are in the city. They have brought with them specimens of ore taken from the property of the Sunshine Mining company, where the strike was made which gave the camp its name, High Grade.

Prominent Lakeview men have become interested in the Sunshine, and the work of developing the property is going along entirely satisfactory. Among the Lakeview stockholders are W. P. Heryford, J. D. Heryford, Felix Green, W. Lair Thompson, E. A. Fitzpatrick and F. M. Miller.

Merrill People Wed

The marriage of Miss Stella M. Durham and Roy C. Cooper was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Durham, in Merrill, Saturday evening. Rev. Anderson officiated.

Auto Driver Improves

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 7.—De Palma is greatly improved today, and it is now expected that he will recover.

Social Events of the Week

The 1912 Needle Club met at the home of Mrs. E. M. Maple Friday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in sewing. A lunch was served. Those present were Mesdames Fred Melbase, C. H. Daggett, Fred Schallock, Chester Avery, Wm. Whitlock, Chas. Withrow, Henley, Frank Ward, E. J. Murray and Thos. Hampton.

The women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. W. J. Steiner Thursday afternoon. Dainty refreshments were served following the business meeting. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Geo. H. Feese; vice president, Mrs. C. E. Widdoes; secretary, Mrs. Leon Lewis; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. E. Fisher; mite box secretary, Mrs. W. J. Steinnets.

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Thos. Hampton. During the afternoon plans were discussed for the holding of a bazaar some time before Thanksgiving. No definite arrangements were made.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Whitman and son George have moved from Ewauna Heights to their new home in Hot Springs addition.

Richard Hannon and Miss Bernar-

BREEN GETS HIS CASE DISMISSED

LAKEVIEW LIVERYMAN WAS THE VICTIM OF A PLOT BY RED-SKINS, IS BELIEF—CHARGE IS NOT SUBSTANTIATED

Acting on telegraphic advices from the office of United States District Judge Benson at Portland, the charge of selling liquor to an Indian which was recently preferred against Con Breen, a dismissed by United States Commissioner Ferguson Monday afternoon.

It is claimed that there was no foundation for the charge against Breen, who is a livery stable keeper at Lakeview. It appears that three Indians became intoxicated while on a visit to Lakeview, and were arrested by the municipal authorities. In order to escape jail, it is said, the redskins concocted the story implicating Mr. Breen.

SOCIETY OFFERS LIST OF PRIZES TO PUPILS

The Oregon Society of the Sons of American Revolution offers prizes totaling \$100 to the pupils of the public schools of the state of Oregon for essays on subjects connected with our war for independence.

One prize of \$25, one of \$15 and one of \$10 will be awarded for the first, second and third best essays, respectively, written by pupils of the high schools of the state on one of the following subjects:

1—The Confederation and the Constitution.
2—Women of the American Revolution.
3—Benedict Arnold.

One prize of \$10, two of \$5 each and ten prizes of medals of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will be awarded for the best essays, written by grade pupils on any one of the following subjects:

1—Battle of Saratoga and Its Effects.
2—John Paul Jones.
3—Valley Forge.

Each grade pupil winning a cash prize will also receive a medal. The essays are limited to 3,000 each, must be written in the student's own handwriting on one side only of the paper and accompanied by a certificate from the writer's teacher, stating that the writer is a pupil in a designated class, and that the teacher believes the essay to be the pupil's own unaided work.

The essays must be signed by the writer, giving also his or her post-office address (including county). They should be forwarded to Harold C. Stephens, chairman of the committee, 319 Wilcox building, Portland, Oregon, and should reach their destination not later than January 1, 1913. Essays not complying with these conditions will be rejected.

In awarding these prizes the committee will be governed by consideration of:

1—Originality.
2—Accuracy of statement.
3—Manner of treatment.
4—Orthography, syntax and punctuation.
5—Neatness and legibility.

These prizes are offered to encourage love of our country and the study of history.

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MARSHAL GETS A DRUNKEN RED

When Deputy United States Marshal Beatty was returning to this city from Chiloquin Sunday he met Joseph Wilson, an Indian, who had just been released from the county jail, where he had been held as a witness in a case in which a white man was charged with selling him whiskey. The Indian was in a sad state of intoxication, and was brought to this city, where he was turned over to Edson Watson, superintendent of the Klamath reservation.

The Indian expressed great indignation when ordered to come back here, and immediately after arrival wanted to fight with the federal officer. He was easily dissuaded, however.

ABLE ADY CAMES FROM SALT LAKE

Abel Ady of Midland returned home Sunday night from Salt Lake, where he attended as a delegate the meetings of the National Conservation congress and the National Water Users Association.

Mr. Ady reports that both meetings were especially instructive and destined to result in much good for the country at large. He delivered an address before the Water Users convention.

LABOR LEADERS NOW IN SESSION

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 7.—The convention of the State Labor Federation opened here today. The delegates predict the election of D. P. Haggerty of the machinists union of San Francisco as president; Paul Scharrenberg of the sailors union of San Francisco as secretary. W. A. Engle of Los Angeles is opposing Haggerty.

The naming of Andrew Gallagher to be delegate to the general convention at Rochester is expected. It is also expected that the convention will adopt a resolution of confidence in the iron workers now on trial in Indianapolis.

BOB LA FOLLETTE IS FOR WILSON

REPUBLICAN BOLDERS HAND OUT A DEFINITE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE INTENTION OF THE WISCONSIN SENATOR

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—In a statement issued from the Wilson National Progressive League today it was announced that Senator La Follette has declared for Wilson. The Wisconsin senator will actively participate in the democratic campaign. No statement was made concerning his plans.

INSANITY FEAR CAUSES SUICIDE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Mrs. R. M. Blum, fearing that she was about to become insane, saturated her clothes with gasoline and then set them on fire. She was burned to a crisp. The fire did but little other damage.

SOLDIERS RESENT BEING CALLED \$13-A-MONTH BOYS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Sergeant Patrick Burkan of the Twenty-eighth company of general service infantry is dying here today as a result of a barroom fight in Tiburon. Harry Whirland and Sam Baxter have been arrested and held pending the outcome of Burkan's injury.

The fight started when the two men under arrest referred to a group of soldiers as "thirteen dollars a month boys."

Sergeant Burkan is well known to a number of Klamath Falls men who have during the past fifteen or twenty years served in the United States army.

"He was a daring man when I knew him," said one Klamath Falls ex-soldier when shown the foregoing dispatch this afternoon. "He was not a man to seek trouble, but when he happened to meet up with any he was invariably 'there with the goods.' "Burkan has been in the service a good many years, and was one of the most popular non-commission officers in the West."

LIVING COST IS TO BE CHANGED

PASADENA, Calif., Oct. 7.—At a conference of officers of the Southern California State Federation of Women's Clubs in Pasadena, it was agreed to send to all women of the state circulars urging them to support a movement to establish a produce commission for the purpose of reducing the high cost of living. Those present were Mrs. de Nyse of Riverside, Mrs. Ella Weet of Upland, Mrs. W. J. Waters of Los Angeles, Mrs. Foster Elliott of Alhambra, Mrs. W. C. Mushet of Los Angeles and Mrs. Calvin Hartwell and Miss Anna Bock of this city.

INDIAN IS CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

STANLEY PEDRO IS ARRESTED AT CHILOQUIN AND BROUGHT TO THIS CITY—WILL BE TAKEN TO PORTLAND

Charged with a statutory offense, Stanley Pedro, an Indian, was arrested at Chiloquin Sunday by Deputy United States Marshal Beatty, and brought to this city. He is now being held in the county jail, but will be taken to Portland unless he gives bond.

Pedro, it is claimed, was employed on the ranch of Henry Jackson on the Indian reservation. It was while he was employed there that it charged he assaulted one of Jackson's daughters.

HOOSIER POET EXPRESSES JOY

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 7.—James Whitcomb Riley was showered with letters and telegrams today, it being his 59th birthday. He remained at his home.

"I am thankful to everyone for their kindness to me," he said. "I have not an enemy in the world. My health is better than it was a year ago."

SPRECKLES PAID FOR A CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—Colonel Hannan, La Follette's secretary, testified before the senatorial campaign probe committee today. He said that the total receipts for La Follette's pre-convention campaign fund were \$63,965. The expenditures amounted to \$4 less. Charles Crane contributed \$23,500. Gifford Pinchot, Amos Pinchot and Congressman Kent contributed \$10,000 each. La Follette contributed \$1,500. Later Mr. Crane gave \$3,174 more.

"Rudolph Spreckles largely paid all of the expenses incidental to the La Follette campaign in California," said the witness.

Sperintendent Edson Watson of the Klamath Indian reservation arrived in the city Sunday night, en route to Portland to appear as a witness before the federal grand jury. He was accompanied here by Mrs. Watson, who will return to the reservation this afternoon.

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