A CITIZEN OF THIS STATE

Who Was Wrongfully Taken by a Wisconsin Officer

THE ARREST OF C. L. FAY IN PORTLAND CAUSES SOME EXCITEMENT—THE MAN VIRTUALLY SMUGGLED OUT OF THE STATE—PAPERS REVOKED.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

There is considerable excitement in official circles over the result of a requisition from the Governor of Wisconsin to Governor T. T. Geer, and honored by the latter, for the arrest of C. L. Fay, a highly respected citizen of Portland, and his removal from the state by a Wisconsin officer. The requisition was presented to the Governor on last Thursday, and was honored upon the sworn representations made by the lawful officers of Wisconsin that Fay was a fugitive from justice, and that he was wanted back there to stand trial for a crime alleged to have been committed in that state. Fay was arrested in Portland on Saturday evening, and was quickly taken to Kalama, Washington, where the Northern Pacific train was taken for the East.

The sworn statement of Edward E. Browne, District Attorney for Waupaca county, Wisconsin, on which statement the requisition was issued, is to the effect that C. L. Fay was in Waupaca, Wisconsin on the 9th day of February, 1901, and there made false representations which resulted in the sale of a certain tract of land, and that he was a fugitive from justice.

It now transpires that Mr. Fay, an old and respected resident of Portland, has not been in Wisconsin in 16 years; that he never was a fugitive from justice, and that he ought never to have been arrested and taken out of the state.

Governor Geer is in receipt of a number of affidavits from prominent business and professionti men in Portland, certifying that Mr. Fay was not in Wisconsin on the date named, nor for many years before or ever since that date, and that he is not a fugitive from justice. These affidavits are signed by Blair T. Scott, L. C. Gerrigus, D. H. Stearns, R. J. Ackerson, David B. Gray, B. F. Clayton, George H. Hill, N. G. Colton, James R. Moffett, R. L. Durham, F. Eggert, W. A. Hathaway, Wm. Denholm, F. M. Warren, S. G. Smith, N. K. Rankin, R. W. Wilbur, L. N. Aumack, Chas. E. Ladd, J. R. Ewing, F. K. Arnold, E. L. Thompson, J. L. Hartman, J. K. Gill, Mark W. Gill, O. Summers, T. T. Burkhart, Eugene D. White, H. H. Northup, R. A. Frame, Jas. P. Shaw, C. W. King, H. C. Wortman, C. P. Hollaway.

Governor Geer, in response to the requests of Mr. Fay's friends, has revoked the requisition, and an effort is being made to head off the sheriff, having Mr. Fay in charge, at St. Paul, where an effort will be made to release the prisoner on habeas corpus, and return him to Oregon. If this fails, an attempt will be made to promptly secure his release after his arrival in Wisconsin. In the meantime, it is urged the Wisconsin officials have already laid themselves liable to criminal prosecutions, and to civil actions for damages for kidnaping a citizen of the state of Oregon, for that is what it amounts to, if the case can be proven to be one of perjury on the part of the Wisconsin District Attorney, who swears positively that Mr. Fay was there on February 9, 1901, when the best people of Portland swear that he was at his home in Portland on that date.

The Portland Telegram of last evening, in discussing the matter of the arrest of Mr. Fay, says in part:

Through the efforts of Blair T. Scott, general manager of the Washington Life Insurance Company, for which company Charles L. Fay is the cashier, the train on which Sheriff Hess and his prisoner, Charles L. Fay, are riding to the East, has been located. Telegrams have been sent to the towns and cities along the line of the Northern Pacific, and it is expected that some time this afternoon Sheriff Hess will be confronted with an order to return to Oregon, or release his prisoner. The locating of this train was accomplished by George W. Hazen, who was sent by Mr. Scott to Tacoma for the purpose.

Being the general manager of the company that employs Mr. Fay as cashier, Blair T. Scott is personally acquainted with him. "I was not in Portland at the time this happened," said Mr. Scott this morning, "and was absolutely ignorant of the charge against him. Now that we have located the train, I am confident that Mr. Fay will soon be returned, as habeas corpus proceedings will be instituted. Yesterday I received a telephone message from Governor Geer stating that on a thorough investigation he had revoked the requisition papers. Mr. Fay's friends desire a thorough investigation, but they are opposed to having him spirited away in the night time without time to consult attorneys. We feel confident he is innocent of any criminal action, as will be shown when an investigation is made."

Judge Martin L. Pipes, who was called into the case and who understands the situation, makes the following statement:

"Mr. Fay some time ago retained me to advise him about the matters charged against him, and considering the undoubted facts, it is clear to my mind that he is not guilty of any crime, or of any misrepresentations, or of any questionable conduct whatever. The people who have committed this outrage are simply blackmailers."

According to a statement made to Charles Fay, Jr., son of Charles R. Fay, Sheriff Hess, of Wisconsin, who brought the warrant, was obliged to pay, or, at least, did pay, Portland officers, who assisted him, for their work. R. I. Eckerson, the friend who waited for Mr. Fay, and afterwards learned that he had been taken on a steamer, declares, also, that Day in particular took too active an interest in the matter and assisted in preventing Fay's friends from seeing him.

CLOVER HULLERS ARRIVE

A CAR LOAD RECEIVED BY A LOCAL IMPLEMENT DEALER FOR HIS TRADE.

F. A. Wiggins, the farm machinery and implement dealer, has just received from South Bend, Indiana, four clover hullers. They made a car load, and a very large one, a flat car being used. They were being unloaded and put together at the freight depot yesterday.

Three of the machines were sold in advance, one to Mr. Hovenden, of Hubbard, one to a man near McMinnville, and the other to a farmer at Halsey, Linn county. The fourth huller will be exhibited at the State Fair next month.

These hullers are the "Monitor Jr.," and they are manufactured by the Birdsell Manufacturing Company, of South Bend.

In appearance they resemble very much a threshing machine, but they are somewhat smaller than the big steam threshers now generally used. It is understood that the owners of the hullers charge a dollar a bushel for separating the clover seed from the straw. It is worth to the farmers when hulled four to five dollars a bushel—that is, when they sell it in the market. When they use it for seed and raise clover for the milk cows, hogs, etc., and for the renovation of their worn-out land, it is worth somewhere around $100 a bushel to them.

The enterprise of Mr. Wiggins in getting these four clover hullers into the Willamette valley, where they will be used, is a good thing for Oregon. They will work in the interest of diversified and intensified agriculture. They will be the advance agent of the business cow and the diversified hen and wealth-producting hog.

THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Is Making Arrangements for Celebrating Labor Day

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM IN COURSE OF PREPARATION FOR NEXT MONDAY — A PARADE, SPEECHES, AND A GRAND BALL —THE ELKS' BAND.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The Salem Central Labor Union held an extended session last night to complete arrangements for the Labor Day festivities next Monday. The Union was enthusiastic over the excellent outlook for a successful observance of the day, and the hearty support accorded the central body by the seven trades unions in this city.

The program for the day will include a parade of all the Unions—Typographical, Clerks, Cigarmakers, Carpenters, Painters, Barbers, and Federal. All of these have signified their intention to participate, and several of them will appear in neat uniforms, especially designed for the occasion. The parade will pass through the principal streets finally going to Marion Square, where the formal program will be rendered.

There will be an excellent program rendered at Marion Square. Among the speakers will be Frank Davey, L. H. McMahan, E. H. Flagg and J. A. Jeffrey. Musical numbers will be rendered by an excellent band, and a number of minor sports will be had for the enjoyment of the crowd.

In the evening a grand Labor Day ball, at the city hall armory will wind up the day's festivities.

Committees have been appointed to attend to the details of arranging the program, and this work will be done in the best manner possible, as all the members are anxious to make this first demonstration of organized labor in Salem the most successful possible.

The Central Labor Union has decided to employ the Elks' Band and Orchestra for the day. This orchestra is an all-Union aggregation, and will furnish excellent music.

The committee from the Painters' Union, appointed to meet with the firm of W. B. Warner & Co., and consult regarding the late differences between that firm and the union has reported no progress, and a committee from the Central Labor Union will now take up the work, and it is hoped they will reach an amicable settlement.

A. B. WATERMAN DEAD

PASSED AWAY AT SPOKANE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON—FORMERLY RESIDED HERE.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

M. L. Hamilton, of this city, received a telegram last evening announcing the sad new of the death of his brother-in-law, A. B. Waterman, at 4:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Deceased was well known in this city where he resided for a number of years and was more familiarly known as "Eudd." For more than twelve years he was in the employ of Wash Stimpson in this city and has a host of steadfast friends here who will grieve sorely over his demise. There was nothing in the message to denote the nature of his illness nor the disposition of the remains.

DESPONDENCY THE CAUSE

Sensational Attempt at Suicide in a Salem Saloon Last Night

J. P. SPENCER A LABORER, TRIED TO END HIS LIFE BY CUTTING THE ARTERY IN HIS WRIST—HE WAS LOCKED UP BY SHERIFF COLBATH.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

In a fit of despondency J. P. Spencer, upwards of 40 years of age, whipped a knife from his pocket in the Senate saloon, corner High and State streets, about 11:20 o'clock last night and made several slashes at different parts of his anatomy with the evident desire of ending what he deemed "this miserable farce, called life."

Spencer, as near as could be learned, has been about Salem for the past five or six weeks and has been employed by the Oregon Nursery Company to work in the fields, until last Saturday, when the work was finished and he, with a number of others, was discharged. He has been staying around town ever since, presumably to obtain other work, and not being successful in this, it is thought—for he would offer no explanation—he grew despondent and had determined to put an end to his existence.

He had been drinking some but not to excess and no particular attention had been paid to him by reason of any suspicious action upon his part until he drew his knife and started in to cut himself, but had not made much progress when the bartender Albert Smith interfered and called for the police.

Sheriff B. B. Colbath quickly responded to the call and took Spencer in charge. He found the man bleeding profusely from a cut in the left wrist and Dr. W. H. Byrd was immediately summoned. A hurried examination failed to disclose any serious lacerations and Sheriff Colbath took the man to the county jail where a more thorough search revealed a slight cut in the abdomen which was hardly through the skin and of a very mild nature and a couple of slight gashes in the left wrist where an effort was made to sever an artery. These wounds Dr. Byrd soon dressed and Spencer was locked in the steel cell to prevent an attempt to do further damage to his person.

The instrument with which he attempted his destruction was a brand new pocket knife which had evidently been purchased for the purpose. Spencer maintained a resolute and dogged silence and would offer no excuse for his act. He bears the appearance of having seen better days and no doubt his history, if told, would reveal the method of his temporary madness. A letter was found in his pocket, addressed to a party in Spokane, but the contents of this letter contained not the slightest hint to his resolution to destroy himself.

THE FRUIT PROSPECTS

A FAIR YIELD IN ALL VARIETIES IS EXPECTED IF WEATHER REMAINS FAVORABLE.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

As the season advances the fruit prospects continue to grow brighter and the present indications are that nothing short of a continuous downpour of rain, before and during the fruit harvest, will destroy the chances for a very fair crop in all varieties of fruit.

The only thing that is bothering the growers is the market for their product, the outlook being not the most satisfactory that could be desired. With the unusually heavy crop of prunes in California, the Oregon growers are eagerly and anxiously awaiting developments in France which they regard as their only salvation.

The market is at a standstill at present, there being absolutely nothing doing. Dealers have put in their supply of futures for the holiday trade, and are quite indifferent as to the conditions until that supply is exhausted and no market is anticipated until the season is pretty well advanced. The Willamette Valley Prune Association, however, has already disposed of about twenty-five carloads of this year's crop at a fair price and will not urge its fruit upon the market until the demand becomes apparent.

Seasonable fruits of all varieties are meeting with a good demand locally, and it keeps the dealers busy to keep a sufficient supply of fresh fruit on hand to meet with the consumption. Especially is this the case with watermelons and muskmelons. These luscious fruits are of exceptionally fine quality this year and Mr. Gile, of H. S. Gile & Co., says that there has been more demand for them this year than for any previous year in his recollection. Yesterday a fresh carload was received by this firm from California, which makes the ninth carload for the season from 1200 to 1500 melons to the carload and the melons are so readily disposed of that there is very little loss from decay. Muskmelons, or cantaloupes, are shipped in the same car with the watermelons in lots of 125 and upwards.

BOUGHT THE WRONG LAND

NOW A PURCHASER FROM THE STATE VAINLY ASKS TO HAVE HIS MONEY BACK

W. H. Waldron, a cripple, spent some time in Western Oregon last summer, searching for a suitable location, and being unable to find what he wanted in the Willamette valley, he finally strayed to Eastern Oregon, found a piece of school land and purchased it from the State Land Board. He bought 78 acres, paying therefor $1.25 per acre. The land purchased by him was near Nyssa, Wallowa county. He at once, after purchasing the property and paying for it, left for his new possession, taking his wife and numerous progeny with him. He no sooner saw his property than he was sorry that he had purchased it, for he found it worthless. In fact, he thinks he gave the officers the wrong description of the property, as he wanted the land in section 16, instead of 36. Now he is anxious to turn the property back to the state and secure a return of his money. He recently wrote of Gov. T. T. Geer, enclosing the deed, and asking for the return of his money, and in case this can not be done he asks for an 80-acre tract of school land at some other point, already selected by him. The poor fellow is in despair, and his tearful letter shows his state of mind.

The letter was referred to the State Land Board, and that body, at yesterday's session, discussed the matter. It was decided that the Board could not return the money to the poor fellow, neither could it trade lands, and there is only one way for the unfortunate cripple to secure a return of his money—a relief bill introduced in the Legislature may have the desired result. There is considerable interest taken in this man's case, and one man having knowledge of the facts in the case, an official, yesterday stated he would be willing to contribute $5 toward raising the amount of money paid out by this victim of his own (the victim's) carelessness.

MONTANA'S TRACY HUNT

THE FUGITIVE SAYS HE WILL SURRENDER AFTER KILLING ONE OF HIS ENEMIES.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 27.—With officers of the State Penitentiary upon his trail, assisted by bloodhounds, convict Tom O'Brien, who last Friday made a daring escape from the state prison, has sent a communication to the Miner pleading for a public statement of his alleged crime and vowing the death of Under Sheriff Dave Morgan for his alleged perjured testimony, which the convict declares sent him to prison and wrecked his home. The document received by the Miner bears the postmark of Anaconda.

The writer dates his communication from a mountain in the surrounding hills of Anaconda, and says that he wrote his story behind a rock dividing his time between his Winchester and his pen. The communication is a literary freak, and no question exists as to its authenticity, as the handwriting has been fully identified by the warden of the Penitentiary and others acquainted with the criminal. O'Brien declares his sole object in escaping from the prison is to kill Deputy Sheriff Morgan, and after that is accomplished he will surrender to officers and take the consequences.

In describing his escape from the Penitentiary, O'Brien, who is a graduated veterinary surgeon, and as trusty worked in the stables of the prison, says he gave the bloodhounds opium that they would be unable to track him. He also fed the warden's horse a week previous so that the animal would be in condition for his escape. O'Brien dashed by the guards mounted on a favorite race horse belonging to the warden.

Posses are now scouring the country for the fugitive, but with the exception of the letter received by the Miner and another by the warden telling that official where the horse could be found, nothing has been heard of the escaped convict. O'Brien was sent up for robbery in 1901.

EPIDEMIC OF CHOLERA

FROM JAVA TO JAPAN THERE IS NO CITY IMMUNE FROM THE PLAGUE.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 27.—The epidemic of cholera is reaching alarming proportions on the other side of the Pacific. It extends from the Island of Java to Japan, and almost every city on the coast and many in the interior are affected. In Hong Kong from the first outbreak to August 6th there had been 523 cases, six being Europeans, and 511 deaths, four Europeans. In other places in China the proportion of cases and deaths is just as great. Hundreds have died in Java.

AN APPEAL FOR HELP

A UTAH SHERIFF WANTS AID FOR THE NAVAJO INDINS WHO ARE STARVING.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 27.—Sheriff Christensen, of San Juan county, Utah, today made a formal appeal to United States Senator Rawlins for the relief of the Navajo Indians of Southern Utah. The latter telegraphed the situation to the Indian Commissioner at Washington. The Navajos are in a desperate condition from starvation, and the sheriff predicts that unless immediate relief is given serious results may follow.

R. A. Moshberger, of Woodburn, was among the spectators at the big show yesterday.

FOR RURAL MAIL

LUTE SAVAGE NOTIFIED THAT HE PASSED THE EXAMINATION SUCCESSFULLY.

Lute Savage yesterday received notice from the Government Civil Service Department to the effect that he had passed a creditable and satisfactory examination for the Rural Mail service which he, in company with a number of others, took in this city several weeks ago. This notification also conveyed the information that Mr. Savage was eligible and in line for appointment as carrier in the Rural Mail service and, as there are only one or two others ahead of him neither of whom, Lute says, will qualify he feels most certain that he will be the fortunate one to fill one of the two vacancies now existing on the routes out of Salem. Lute is well known in this city where he was born and raised, honest and upright in all respects, and is thoroughly qualified to fill the position of trust to which he aspires.

Dallas Times-Mountaineer: — Last Saturday Peter Henningsen made quite a discovery in his fruit dryer at Mosier. While cleaning out the tunnels to the dryer he discovered thirteen suits of fancy underwear carefully stowed away. As he had several times found the door of the dryer open and could not account for how it got unlocked, he now thinks that a gang of thieves must have had a key to the building and were using it as a store room for their plunder. The supposition is that the underclothes had been stolen from a car that had been broken open somewhere on the railroad. Mr. Henningsen will keep the clothing awaiting the appearance of the owner to claim it.