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THE BANK OF SHERIDAN RELIEVED OF ITS CASH

Safe Blown Open and About \$7,000 Carried Away By Robbers

BANDITS MADE ESCAPE

Pursued By Bullets From Rifle of Mayor D. H. Eakin

Supposed To Be Same Gang Which Attacked Newberg Bank

SHERIDAN, Ore., Oct. 26.—Safe crackers early this morning effected an entrance to the Scroggins & Wortman bank, and blew open the safe, securing about \$7,000 in coin. The valuable papers and other documents were left untouched. The bank building is situated in the center of town, but by closing the early hours of the morning, when everybody was asleep and with everything enveloped in a thick fog, they awakened only one man, Mayor E. H. Eakin, who lives across the street upstairs over his store.

There has never been any occasion for guarding the property hitherto and the town has no night watchman. The gang effected an entrance to the building by using a sledge hammer and picks which bear the stamp of the Southern Pacific Company. They drilled a hole in the safe near the combination and inserted a heavy charge of giant powder, which blew the safe door off, but did not wreck the building. It was this explosion that woke Eakin.

Eakin went to the window just in time to see the men come out of the bank and join another who had evidently been on guard. The entire party jumped into a buggy and drove off in

a southerly direction. Eakin quickly secured a rifle and took three shots at the fast disappearing men.

The firing and screams of Mrs. Eakin, who had been awakened by the commotion, aroused the townspeople, and a posse of armed men was soon on the streets. The bank officials at once sent out an alarm in every direction by telephone. Sheriff Sitton arrived here at 8 o'clock, but as the robbers had secured such a start, he decided that it would be futile to organize a posse. From the manner and hour of the robbery, it is generally thought that the gang is the same which attempted to rob the Newberg bank last Monday.

Robbers Tools Found

Outside the building a sledgehammer and two picks were found. These tools had been used to force an entrance to the building, and had been dropped when the work was completed along with a large chunk of putty, which had been used to deaden the sound of their blows. One of the picks has the stamp of the Southern Pacific upon it, showing that those tools were evidently stolen from the railroad.

Where They Came From

Sheridan, Ore., Oct. 26.—It was discovered this morning that the tools used by the burglars who looted Scroggins & Wortman's bank had been taken from the toolhouse at Ballston, five miles east of here. The men had evidently taken their time in the matter, as it was found that they had put new handles in the picks and sledge hammer, evidently expecting to encounter hard work.

The padlock on the toolhouse had been broken, but beyond the tools left at the bank building nothing was missing this morning when the theft was discovered by the section hands.

Ballston is a small station between here and Sheridan Junction, but is along the wagon road. The discovery of the fact that the tools were taken from there is a clew upon which the sheriff has taken a course of discovering the personnel of the people seen in that neighborhood or traveling toward that point yesterday.

Mayor Eakin's Story

Sheridan, Oct. 26.—Speaking of his experience Mayor Eakin said: "I was aroused from a heavy sleep by a jar which I could not comprehend at first, but when I looked out of my window and saw the man standing near the bank and the light shining from there, I realized at once what had happened. It was necessary for me to open two doors before I could get out and by the time I did so the men were in the rig. The fog was too thick for me to be positive as to how many men there were, but I believe there were three. As soon as I was positive what they had been doing I fired a shot at them from my rifle, but their rig was just a blur through the fog. From the noiseless manner in which the rig drove off I am of the opinion that the vehicle was rubber tired, but I am not sure about this. As the men disappeared along the road towards Salem and Independence I fired two more shots to arouse the town. A number of citizens quickly responded, but the men were gone. They did not reply to my shots, but got away as quickly as possible."

Did They Come From Salem

It is the general opinion that the robbers were the same men who attempted to get the contents of the Newberg bank at about the same hour last Monday. The work is practically the same with the exception that in the case here this morning one explosion was sufficient to secure the money while at Newberg nine charges were put off without anything being secured.

A suspicion is current here that the men have been posing as respectable sightseers with headquarters in Salem, as they drove off in that direction. The distance to the capital can be covered in a comparatively short time, as the road leading there is one of the best in the state. Every bridge and byroad along that route is being watched with the hope that the robbers may be intercepted. The Portland police have been requested to be on the lookout for the men, who may strike the railroad and endeavor to get into that city.

NERVE WENT BACK ON HIM

Cowardly Murderer, Harry Egbert, Was Captured in An Idaho Town

SECURED HIS GUN AND GAINED THE THICKET BUT SURRENDERED WHEN POSSE IN PURSUIT OPENED FIRE INTO THE BRUSH—IS WANTED IN OREGON

BOISE, Oct. 26.—A special to the Statesman from American Falls, says: Harry Egbert, wanted in Oregon for murder, was captured at Rockland this morning by a posse of citizens while at a livery stable where he kept his horse. He escaped once and secured his gun, which was in the barn.

AS TO MANAGEMENT

SPECIAL INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE OF NEW YORK POSTOFFICE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—A special investigation of the New York Postoffice will be begun within a few days. The inquiry is supplemental to the general postal investigation recently concluded, and is likely to occupy at least a month and probably longer.

It is stated at the Postoffice Department no charges are on file regarding the New York Postoffice, but there have been many reports of laxity of administration and extravagance.

Miss Zaidée Palmer has returned from The Dalles where she visited her sister for a couple of weeks.

Herman Barr went to Woodburn yesterday afternoon, intending to go to Mount Angel to see his brother ordained, but as the Arch Bishop failed to arrive from Portland, Mr. Barr returned home last night.

BOTH BUGGIES WERE SMASHED

A Serious Runaway At West Approach of Steel Bridge

CRASHED INTO AND OVERTURNED A BUGGY WITH THREE OCCUPANTS WHO ESCAPED UNINJURED—A NARROW ESCAPE FOR THREE SHEPARD CHILDREN.

Sunday afternoon a serious runaway occurred in West Salem, which came near costing three precious young lives, but luckily resulted in only two rigs being demolished, and the children somewhat bruised, but not seriously injured.

Wm. Richter was out driving with a livery rig, two spirited horses and a carriage. At about 3 o'clock he stopped in West Salem to pay a friend a short visit, and tied his horses to the fence. It is claimed that a man came along whipping his horse, and the team, becoming frightened, broke away and started for Salem on a run.

Allice, Bobbie and Fred Shepard, of Zena, were coming to town where the two former children are attending school, and Freddie was to drive the horse and buggy home. The animal they were driving was very tame and trustworthy, else the tale would have been far different.

As the children turned the corner at Dave Matheny's house, coming toward the bridge, they saw the runaway team approaching, and started to drive over to the fence near the house, and let the runaways pass. It seems the horse horses also desired to avoid trouble, and endeavored to pass to the left, between the buggy and fence, but there was not sufficient room, and the carriage locked wheels with the buggy.

As the horses were going at a fearful rate, both rigs were overturned, with the children underneath the wreckage. The livery horses managed to break away from the carriage, and ran a short distance across the bridge, where they were stopped by parties coming in the opposite direction.

Shepard's trusty horse ceased his straggling as soon as the strange horses left, and Mr. Matheny, who saw the catastrophe, rushed out and rescued the children from the wreckage of what was a few minutes previous, carriage and buggy. The children were badly frightened, and somewhat scratched and bruised, but were otherwise uninjured. The escape was almost miraculous as it was, and had the single horse become frightened and ran away also, the occupants could hardly have escaped.

There were several rigs on the bridge

and had the runaways passed the first buggy safely, would certainly have struck the second. This bridge has long been recognized as a trap from which there is no escape in case of a runaway, and several similar accidents have already occurred, some of them not ending so happily, and it is wonder more do not occur.

THE PRISONER ESCAPES

GRIFFITHS GIVES OFFICER SLIP WHILE BEING TAKEN TO PRISON.

OLYMPIA, Wn., Oct. 26.—Adam Griffiths, the young man who is wanted here for forgery, escaped from the custody of Sheriff McClarty at Shelton yesterday, and at last account was still at large. Griffiths made his escape from the sheriff on the way to the boat, making a run for it and escaping to the tall timber. A posse was quickly organized and started in pursuit of the fugitive, but he proved himself as good a woodsman as he is a penman, and made his escape. All boats and trains out of Shelton are being watched closely, and the officers are confident that Griffiths will be picked up again soon.

NOT LOOKING FOR THE CASH

The Baker County Clerk's Office Broken Into And Ransacked

RUMAGED THROUGH FILES AND PIGEON HOLES EVIDENTLY IN SEARCH OF SOME PARTICULAR PAPER OR DOCUMENT—SO FAR NOTHING IS MISSED

BAKER CITY, Ore., Oct. 26.—Burglars broke into the county clerk's office in the court house last night and rumaged through large number of files and pigeon holes, evidently looking for some particular paper or document in which they were interested. A lot of bonds and script certificates and other valuable papers were scattered on the floor but so far as can be learned none of them were taken.

TRAGEDY IN FAR NORTH

FRIENDS ENGAGE IN QUARREL AND ONE MEETS INSTANT DEATH

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 26.—The steamer St. Paul, which arrived Saturday night from Alaska, brought the first news of the murder in the Tanana district of Alaska of H. J. Massey, which occurred October 2. Massey's slayer is Charles Hilty. Massey and Hilty had been friends for many years, and had been engaged together in many mining schemes.

On the evening of October 2 the two met in a saloon conducted by Joe Anisch. They had several drinks together and Massey is said to have become intoxicated and addressed Hilty in an insulting manner.

Hilty warned his companion to desist several times but Massey would not do so, and finally Massey threw a heavy glass at Hilty's head. A scuffle ensued, and while the two men were struggling together one of the bystanders shouted to Hilty to "look out; he has a knife!" Hilty broke away from his assailant, and drawing his revolver shot Massey in the head, killing him instantly.

Hilty was arrested by the military authorities of Fort Gibbon and given to the Marshall at Rampart, where he will be kept until the session of the District Court at Eagle next arch. The story of the murder was brought to St. Michael by Martin Langstrom, who was an eyewitness to the tragedy.

TIED OF THE LIFE

RESIGNS FROM UNITED STATES NAVY TO ACCEPT A CIVIL POSITION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—Rear Admiral Francis Bowles today tendered his resignation as an officer in the United States Navy to the President and requested it to take place November 3. Constructor L. W. Capps, now on duty at the New York Navy Yard, has been selected by the President for the vacancy. Admiral Bowles is leaving the naval service to accept the presidency of a private shipbuilding company in Massachusetts.

STUCK HARD AND FAST

CAPTAIN OF STEAMER LOST HIS BEARINGS AND STERER INTO BEACH.

SEATTLE, Oct. 26.—The steamship Centennial is ashore two miles south of Alki Point and about seven miles from this city. About 10 a. m. while enroute from Tacoma to this port, she ran on the beach and is still stuck. In a dense fog Captain E. H. Gillespie, the master of the vessel, lost his bearings. The Centennial struck bow on, fortunately on the soft sandy beach. The captain hopes to get her off with the high tide.

Colonel J. M. Poorman passed through the city yesterday afternoon on his return from Corvallis, where he visited his son, a student at the Agricultural College.

HE CONDEMNS NEWSPAPERS

Dowie Grows Furious And Breaks Down Weeping

SAID THE BENEDECTION

And Prayed That All Publications Be Wiped Out Of Existence

HEAPS ALL SORTS OF INVECTIVES UPON THE PRESS AND THE NEWS REPORTERS BECAUSE THEY PRINTED LETTERS TELLING HIS PARENTAGE

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—An attachment was served today on Dowie's coach and team. As the vehicle was being driven past the Fifth Avenue Hotel, a deputy sheriff jumped on the driver's seat, served the attachment on the coachman, seized the coach and team and drove off with them. The attachment is said to be for \$1,999, and was secured by Attorney Robert E. Farley, his claim being for services rendered in defending J. Luther Pierson, of White Plains, a former Zionite, who was convicted for allowing his child to die without medical assistance.

In his morning address today Dowie said that he had no right to the name of Dowie, and that he did not know who his own father was. The occasion for the statement was certain letters published by a morning newspaper purporting to show that Dowie had cast off his own father. Years ago, Dowie said, he had a painful revelation made to him that John Murray Dowie, to whom the letters were written, was not his father. He said the elder Dowie handed him certain documents on which he would speak tonight. Dowie declared, that he was glad the matter was out as the letters had been in the hands of certain persons for years. During his address he again denounced newspapers, and demanded the establishment of a censorship to protect clergymen, politicians, judges, and business men from newspaper attack.

The house-to-house visitation in Jersey City by the Dowieites was begun today.

His Feelings Hurt

New York, Oct. 26.—Dowie's confession was brought out by publication this morning in a newspaper of letters from him to John Murray Dowie. After engorging his mother and giving an account of the deception practiced on her, he said his father was a man of high standing and died leading troops during a charge in the Crimean war.

Dowie burst into invectives of the bitterest type against the press for publishing the letters. He raged like a man crazed by the enormity of the injury done him, and then, as if spent by the exertion of his tirade, broke down and wept.

At the close of his address, Dowie pronounced this benediction: "God look down upon the irresponsible band of criminals who write papers and publish their lies and have mercy on them. Have mercy, O God; and grant grace to the country and may it muffle, and if need be, destroy the newspapers."

ADAPTING ELECTRICITY

BAKER CITY MANUFACTURERS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT.

BAKER CITY, Oct. 26.—Manager A. Welch, of the Baker City Gas & Electric Company, reports that they have just started up the new generator which gives the company an additional 400 horse power and that the day circuit is now in full operation, furnishing power to various manufacturing plants.

A 20-horse power electric engine has just been sold to the Bennett Bros. planing mill and will be installed in a few days. In the future that plant will be run by electricity instead of by steam power. The Baker City feed mill is being run now by electric power, and the J. Mueller Company has purchased an electric motor for the operation of its bottling works. The new machinery for this plant will arrive in a few days.

Two car loads of wire have arrived and the company will, the first of the week, begin stringing the wires on the transmission line between here and Rock Creek, some fifteen miles. The water power plant on Rock Creek, including the pipe line from the head works, has been completed, and shortly Baker City will be furnished with power and lights generated by water power instead of steam, with a day and night service.

HE PREACHED HERESY

KANSAS CITY PASTOR FORCED TO RESIGN—WILL START NEW CHURCH

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 26.—Rev. A. E. Gammage, pastor of the Lawn Av-

enue Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kan., resigned his pastorate at the evening service last night at the request of the board of deacons because of alleged heretical teachings. Many members of the church withdrew with Rev. Gammage, who says he will establish a new church.

J. L. Mode, chairman of the board of deacons, said:

"The action was taken because we did not believe Mr. Gammage was preaching the true Baptist religion. He is an advocate of divine healing, and believes men can become so whole or sanctified that they can be without sin."

Miss Edith Watkins returned last night from a short visit to Oregon City.

WERE ALMOST STARVED

LAST OF CREW OF WRECKED FRENCH BARK ARE RESCUED

HONOLULU, Oct. 26.—The last missing boat of the wrecked French bark Connetable De Richemont was picked up today by an inter-island steamer. It contained the boatwain and seven of the crew of the lost vessel. All were alive though in a starving condition, having been almost entirely without food since October 14.

D. A. Williams, of Shaniko, Sherman county, arrived in the city last night, and will enter the Willamette University law school.

Jos. Meyers & Sons
THE WHITE CORNER (TRADE MARK)
SALEM'S GREATEST STORE

An Apology: To the Ladies of Salem and vicinity for the delay of the shipment of Suits and Jackets which the factory were unable to deliver as anticipated, but the good news comes, by wire, that they will be here this week. We have made a claim upon these manufacturers for the loss of time incurred which has been granted, so we will put the entire lot out at a greatly reduced price. You get the benefit. Bear with us a few days longer.

Skirts

We have selected fifty dress and walking skirts, which we have placed on sale as special bargains. They range in price from \$3.00 to \$20.00. A great variety of styles and patterns, such bargains as you have been looking for. All are reduced in price.

\$2.33 to \$13.33

Undermuslin Bargains

You shouldn't miss. Values that you can't go wrong in buying.

Ladies' muslin drawers, trimmed with lace and insertion, with dainty ribbon bows, embroidery with insertion to match, tucked and hemstitched; regular \$1.00 value. This week

73c

Children's Flannel Gowns

A grand assortment of nice, warm night gowns for the young people. The line includes plain white, white and pink stripe, white and blue stripe, fancy colors and yokes, cut full; in fact an ideal sleeping garment.

50c to 85c

W. B. Corsets

New fall corsets to harmonize with the new fall gowns. Our line is unsurpassed; new models to fit all figures. Expert fitters to wait on you. A few odd sizes to close at just half price.

\$2.00 Corsets	\$1.00
1.50 "	75c
1.00 "	50c
75c "	50c

Dress Goods

This week we will conduct one of our old time dress goods sales. This sale will include all of our dress fabrics excepting the "Vivella" and "Landsdowne." Economical shoppers will appreciate the value of this great sale, as it will enable them to secure a much coveted dress at a great deal less than they would pay ordinarily. ALL AT REDUCED PRICES.

Silk Petticoats

This is one of our most popular departments, as in this we show all the new and up-to-date garments in all the leading shades, including black. A great variety both as to color and quality, so we can surely please you.

\$4.00 to \$12.50

Keiser Neckwear

This celebrated neckwear is shown by us exclusively in this city. We have them in all sizes, grades and colors, both in the stocks and the fancy neckwear. Nowhere can you find a better.

Lace Collars

The new and late effects in lace collars and stoles are here in great profusion in color, quantity and quality. Beautiful lace collars in ecru, white and black, from the small ones to the large collars with long stoles.

\$2.00 to \$10.00

Thread

The public have been quick to take advantage of our special sale of Coats' celebrated brand of spool cotton. Sold everywhere else at 5c spool. Our price

3c spool

Furs

A splendid line of three-yard imitation black bear fur coats, regular \$6.50 values.

\$4.98

Blankets—Comforts

Our line of bedding is the largest in the city, and our assortment is greater and at prices that mean big saving chances for you. Comforts from

\$1.00 to \$30.00

Blankets from

25c to \$10.00

Sale of Boys' Suits

Some odd lots of boys' clothing that must be disposed of, and to do this we are making some tempting offers. There are but one, two or three suits in each line. Excellent for school wear and good for dress wear. Look!

\$2.50 values	\$1.00
\$3.50 "	\$1.75
\$5.00 "	\$2.50
\$7.50 "	\$4.85

Early comers get the best.

Raincoats

Here is a garment that you will soon need, for the good weather will not continue much longer, so be prepared for it when it does come. In time of peace prepare for war.

We have the genuine "Cravenette" rain coats, which are guaranteed water proof, light in weight, warm and comfortable; in fact, just what you need for a rain coat.

All the new shades and styles are shown. Ask to see them.

Men's Underwear

A big showing in this department, from the cheapest to the highest grade. But what we want to call your attention to is a special we are having. A line of excellent grade underwear, usually retailed at 50c a garment is now being offered at the exceptionally low price,

33c garment

Men's Clothing

Natty suits. The most becoming clothes that were ever made for man. There is no better illustration of how our clothing department keeps abreast—yes, even ahead—of the times than to point with pride to the superb stocks of suits and overcoats. Men's fall suits, with lots of character. The patterns comprise the latest brown or Oxford mixtures, black and white effects and other exclusive suitings. Priced at

\$10.00 to \$25.00

Overcoats

Our stock of fall and winter overcoats is up-to-the-minute with all the new weaves and colors which go so much toward a swell garment. The moderate length, as well as the full length are the correct styles in overcoats. See us for particulars.

\$10.00 to \$25.50

Meyers Shoes

Work shoes and dress shoes for all classes. Like everything else this store sells, they have to be right or we won't give them house room. Ask for visualized soles. Absolutely waterproof.

\$3.50

Infant's Wear

Our entire line of infant's wear at greatly reduced prices. Now's your opportunity for money saving.

Stop Paying Interest ON YOUR PURCHASES

Six Per Cent is the Legal Rate

When you trade with a store doing a credit business you pay several times the legal rate for "A Few Days Accommodation"

Try the cash plan and save all the losses of the credit system.

THE NEW YORK RACKET

Is Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store

We Carry Only Reliable Merchandise

The kind that gives satisfaction. That's why we're growing.

Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Ladies' and Men's Furnishings, Big Line of Ribbons just in, New Laces and Embroideries, Blankets, Comforts, Underwear.

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