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OREGON BANK ROBBED

Bold Robbers Hold Up the Bank of Joseph.

TWO ROBBERS BAGGED.

One Killed, One Wounded and One Escapes.

LA GRANDE, Or., Oct. 2.—The bank of Joseph was robbed by three men, between 2:30 and 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. One of the robbers was shot dead, another one wounded and the third escaped with the swag toward the mountains. From all accounts it was a most daring piece of work. Three men came up to the bank together with their faces blackened, as means of disguise. There were four customers in the bank at the time. They were ordered under cover of a double-barrelled shotgun to throw up their hands and the same injunction was given to J. D. McCully, acting cashier. One of the robbers climbed over the railing and got access to the cash drawer and vault and a third one stood guard at the door. The cashier was compelled to open up all receptacles likely to contain money, and all of the funds on hand amounting to about \$2000 was swept into a sack which the robber carried.

In the meantime people on the outside discovered what was going on, two men, Fred Wagner, armed with repeating rifle and also Donnelly, with shot gun, prepared to give the bandits a warm reception as they emerged from the bank. Four persons in the bank were marched out ahead and as the robber who had the sack, named Brown, came out he was immediately shot down. The robber who guarded the door, named Tucker, also fell from bullet wound but the third robber Cy. Fitzhugh, ran and grabbed the sack and dropping his gun reached his horse and escaped. In the fusillade between the robbers and citizens, about 25 shots were exchanged.

Before attempting the job the robbers had stacked some guns and ammunition outside of town where they expected to make a stand in case they were pursued. Fitzhugh the fleeing bandit, went to this place and re-armed himself and struck for the mountains in direction of Cornucopia. At the time of leaving he took a shot at a citizen who chanced to be coming in his direction, but the bullet did no further damage than to pass through his clothing. A posse started in pursuit and followed Fitzhugh till late last night, but no news from them has yet been received.

Tucker, the wounded robber, made a clean breast of the plan of the robbery. All three of the highwaymen have been in Wallawa for some time.

By this time the report that the bank was being robbed had reached the citizens, several of whom armed themselves and awaited the appearance of the robbers.

As the robbers made their exit from the bank, Alex Donnelly, a man 25 years old, opened fire, killing one of the robbers instantly, and wounding another, hitting the latter twice. The third robber, who had the sack containing the coin, succeeded in reaching and mounting a horse, after dropping his gun. He then made off over the hills toward Prairie creek, afterward turning toward Cornucopia.

The robber who was killed was named Brown, and the one who escaped is Cy Fitzhugh. The latter had been working for Mrs. Proebstel, on Prairie creek. The name of the wounded robber is unknown, although

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he is recognized as having been around Joseph for some time.

The escaped robber is described as being a low, heavy-set man, with sandy hair and mustache, of medium weight, 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighs about 150 pounds, and is about 23 years old. He wore a black coat and small slouch hat, and was riding a small horse. A reward of \$500 has been offered for his capture and the return of the money.

Lane County.

EGUENE, Oct. 2.—Senator Mitchell did not exert the great influence on the silver voters to take them back into the Republican ranks that had been expected. At the conclusion of his speech Saturday, Ex-Representative Hillegas, a lifelong Republican declared himself for Bryan, and if he takes the stump as many are urging him to do, he will carry hundreds with him. Reports all over the county are encouraging. In Mohawk precinct a club of over 100 members is enrolled out of 145 voters, formerly a Republican precinct. At Florence the Bryan club has 140 members, where the total Democratic and Peoples party vote last spring was only about 175. Silver men are on their mettle and are forcing the fight and will carry Lane county by a good majority.

FROM STAYTON.

The young ladies of Stayton gave one of the most delightful leap year hay-ride parties of the season Tuesday evening. They were bound to have a good time, and they had it. The young ladies embarked for Mr. Kerns' home, on Broadway, attracting a large crowd of onlookers, while enroute for the young men. They had a spirited team and they were bedecked with all the bells obtainable in town. The evening was perfect. The ringing of the merry bells, and the cheering of the crowd could be heard for a mile in the stillness of the night. On the way down every song that any one thought of was on the program, and the selections of music were so charming that the watch dogs along the road arose from their slumbers and joined in the chorus. About three miles from town, on the Turner road, the party camped in an open space, among the trees, where the girls built a bonfire, which fairly illuminated the heavens, and no doubt caused the fowls of the air to imagine the world was coming to an end. When all were comfortably settled around "the old camp fire," some roasted corn on the points of long sticks, and baked potatoes in the hot ashes—others amused themselves by playing out-door games until the luncheon hour, when the ladies produced an especially prepared lunch and a huge coffee boiler, from which hot coffee was served to the hungry crowd. It was hard work for the driver, Miss (?) Thomas, to make the crowd believe the time was at hand to return home. The hours passed away so quickly that few thought of leaving.

It looked for a while as if the only way was to walk home or go without the crowd. The moon reminded the party that it was morning and all were soon ready to make for town. On the way home a series of church hymns were sung by all, ending with "Lord I'm Happy on the Way." The wagon stopped at the respective homes of the members of the company. Several invitations were extended to stop in for breakfast. The following were among the party: Mr. and Mrs. Mann, chaperone; Misses Sadie Thorpe, Ella Baisley, Cora Cooper, Minnie Magers, Laura Derbyshire, Ollie Robertson, Susie Kerns, Pearl Hobson, Mary Crabtree and Tempest Dunivin. Messrs. Giles Thomas, Joe Kerns, David Smith, Roy King, Charlie Brown, Dell Baisley, Eli Smith, Jean Titus, Mr. Mulkey and Mr. Crowder.

Watson Will Not Withdraw. WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The officials, both at Democratic and Populist headquarters, claim to have no information regarding the report that Candidate Watson contemplates withdrawing from the vice-presidential contest. The report is thought not to be well founded.

Was Probably Drunk. CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 2.—Special to the Times-Star, from Wheeling, W. Va., says that during the Bryan parade last evening an unknown man made a rush for the carriage occupied by Bryan and with an oath cried "let me at him." A blow from a cane in the hands of a guard sent him bleeding and staggering into the crowd.

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TREMENDOUS TIDAL WAVE.

Cedar Keys, Florida, Completely Inundated.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCES.

Many Families Destitute—Appeal for Aid.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 2.—Cedar Keys, a place of desolation and death. A mighty tidal wave swept over the town Tuesday morning. Twenty corpses have been recovered, 12 whites and 8 colored. The loss of life at Cedar Keys is as nothing in comparison with a number of spongers and fishermen drowned, of 100 vessels anchored on sponge bar, below Cedar Keys, all but twenty were lost, the boats carried from four to ten men each. Most of the victims were buried deep in the mud and many bodies will probably never be recovered.

Beyond the bar there are a score of masts visible just above water and each top indicates the burial place of a sponging schooner and its crew. It is possible, but hardly probably, many vessels were blown out into the gulf, and rode out the hurricane. It is expected that for several days to come, corpses of spongers will be found along the coast. In Cedar Keys those who escaped death had some terrible experiences. When the tidal wave came and overwhelmed the houses, many of the inmates floated into the water, clinging to pieces of timber. Others clung to tree tops for hours until the water receded. They were buffeted by wind and waves and many men fainted, clinging even while unconscious, with a death grip to the succumbing limbs.

Many are still unaccounted for and their families and friends are filled with anxiety, hoping for the best, but fearing the worst. In view of the utter destruction wrought by the storm it seems miraculous that there should be a single person alive in Cedar Keys to-day. Reliable news from the Western party of Levy and Alachua counties have just reached Jacksonville. Not less than 200 families are destitute. Scores of injuries have been reported, with over thirty fatalities in Levy county.

The town of Needmore was demolished. Every house at Yulare, Judson and Chiefland were destroyed, with one or two exceptions, killing people in both places. The people of Bronson have issued an appeal for aid. Reports from Parker, Suwanee, Nassau and Columbia counties, confirm the story of death and destruction. The death list has been increased nearly a dozen. Columbia county fared very badly. All the country south of Lake City is devastated. In the Cateb and Marcus neighborhood scarcely a residence or house is left standing. In the vicinity of Payne and Mount Tabor postoffices, the destruction was great. Exclusive of hundreds of spongers, supposed to have been drowned off Cedar Keys, the death list in the state proper, bids fair to reach 100. The property loss will run into millions. The people seem paralyzed by the calamity.

The Bryan Party. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 2.—At the depot in this city for more than an hour a large crowd waited for the Bryan party. When the train pulled in the assemblage cheered and bands played patriotic airs. A procession was formed and the town was traversed by the band, the nominee, mounted police and citizens carriages. At the public park Bryan addressed about 30,000 enthusiastic auditors.

Fusion in New York. SYRACUSE, Oct. 2.—New York Populists have endorsed the Democratic electors and candidate for governor and lieutenant governor.

AN "OLD LETTER" FROM THE MAJOR.

Does Not Interest McKinley Now, but Shows He Was a "Silver Anarchist" in 1890.

AKRON, O., Sept. 29.—Much interest was aroused at a meeting addressed by Senator Teller at this place today, when a letter was read by General E. B. F. Finley which had been written by Major McKinley to E. S. Perkins, of Weymouth, Medina county, in the fall of 1890. Mr. Perkins was at that time a representative in the Ohio legislature. He had written to Major McKinley regarding his position on the silver question. The major's letter was in reply:

Committee on ways and means, house of representatives, Washington, December 27, 1890.

Hon. E. S. Perkins, Weymouth, Ohio—Dear Sir: I have been so busy for the past three weeks that it has been impossible for me to give any attention to matters in the district, which fact I believe my friends will appreciate. I have been waiting for a moment's time that I might answer two or three letters heretofore received from gentlemen in Medina county in relation to my position on the silver and other questions.

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN IN FAVOR OF THE FREE AND UNLIMITED COINAGE OF THE SILVER PRODUCT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND HAVE SO VOTED ON AT LEAST TWO OCCASIONS DURING THE TIME I HAVE BEEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

I was not willing to extend this coinage to the silver of the world, and open our mints to foreign countries without charge, as proposed by gentlemen on the floor of the house. My purpose was to secure immediate legislation that would credit and dignify our silver coin. I believe the law which we enacted this session will accomplish that result. It utilizes every dollar's worth of the silver product of the United States and even more. The value of that legislation has always been apparent in the enhanced value given to silver.

You may remember, as indicating my position on this subject, that I voted to pass the silver bill in the forty-fifth and forty-sixth congresses over the veto of President Hayes. I shall be very glad to write you at any time upon any subject you may wish to be informed upon. With me political and economic questions are a conviction, and while I may not always be right, I am always willing to let those whose suffrage I seek know exactly what they are.

Yours truly,
WM. MCKINLEY, JR.

CANTON, Sept. 29.—Major McKinley had nothing to say about the published letter said to have been written by him to S. E. Perkins six years ago except that if it was a true copy of the original it doubtless expressed his views at the time.

STATE NEWS.

The total taxable property in Clatsop county is \$4,124,258.

Pendleton has a drum corps of 5 drummers and one fife.

The Myrtle Creek Bryan club will hold a grand rally on October 10.

At the LaGrand fair this year there are more exhibits than there is room for.

An octogenarian, Mrs. Mary Jane Cox, of Albany, died this week, aged 82.

Walla Walla, Wash., a city of less than 5000, has a Bryan club of 1000 true and tried men.

Halsey is to have a new cremery. It will be on about the same scale as the Albany cremery.

Dr. Hendricks, of Harrisburg, a prominent man of Oregon, died on Tuesday night this week.

The road to Bohemia mines is nearly completed. Only seven miles remain yet to be completed.

Prineville proposes to have four days' racing, commencing November 11, and offers \$770 in purses.

The University of Oregon's first voters' club, was organized at Eugene, with a list of 32 members.

Granger has a Bryan club with thirty odd members and Eugene Palmer, a life-long Republican, is its president.

The first voters of the Bryan club of the U. of O., have accepted a challenge for a debate from the U. of O. McKinley club.

The Republican state central committee has bought 1,500 McKinley buttons for distribution in the country and several thousand in Portland.

Emily Haase, of Portland, a teacher in the public school, has sued one of the school directors for \$2,000 damage to her character.

Mrs. Nathan Bond, an old resident of Albany, committed suicide by taking poison. She left the house and went to a grove near by, where she was found dead.

T. J. Cheshire, of Salem, has become the host of the Eugene house, and Lincoln Henness, the former landlord, has gone gold hunting in the Santiam mines.—Guard.

The number of pupils enrolled the first day of public school in Pendleton, last Monday, was 400. There are 13 teachers this year. Lawrence G. Lewis, a newcomer, is principal.

Last Sunday some young men

chased a deer into the streets of Crawfordville and deliberately killed it in the presence of church goers. The young men paid their fine of \$25.

The O. R. & N. Co., has made special rates to accommodate the large crowd of people who want to go to Pendleton to hear Mayor Pennoyer on October 9.

The last of several carloads of machinery has been shipped to the Annie mines, the new 20 stamp mill will be on the ground in a short time. It is being taken from Cottage Grove by team a distance of 40 miles.

A separator belonging to Arthur Fough's threshing outfit burned at Joseph Anson's place, near Island City. About 400 bushels of grain in the stack, belonging to Anson were destroyed.

Of the four delegates from Oregon to the national convention that nominated Abraham Lincoln for president, the three survivors are for Bryan and free silver. They are, W. D. Hare, of Hillsboro; Jos. Gassly, of Douglas county, and B. J. Pengra, of Lane.

Mrs. C. L. Gilbert, of The Dalles, is one of the possible heirs to a tract of land 60 miles square, where St. Paul and Minneapolis now stand. The heirs are all descendants of Jonathan Carver, one of the early explorers of the headwaters of the Mississippi river.

Two gentlemen of Eugene have made a peculiar wager on the result of the presidential election. If McKinley is elected the Bryan man will walk in the procession and shout for McKinley. If Bryan is elected the McKinley man will walk in the procession and cheer Bryan.

Morgan L. Peden, an Indian war veteran, born in Adams county, Ill., March 25, 1835, suicided at the Soldiers' Home near Roseburg, Monday. The deed was committed on the croquet ground at noon with a Smith & Wesson six-shooter the bullet passing through his heart and causing instant death. He was a resident of Jackson county.

Ex-County Clerk Pierce, of Umatilla county recently made a trip through Eastern Oregon. He says that the whole section will go for Bryan. Grant county nominally a Republican county, will go for free silver by a good majority. Miners, business men, stockmen and ranchers are all advocating Bryan's election.

And Bob Hendricks has joined the official gang at speech making.

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