

CHRISTIE FLEECED THEM ALL

Sold 200,000 Acres of Timber Land

Miss Shuman Says He Was a Handsome Man

In Fact She Would Like to Get Another Look at Him

Quietly, without any noise, Miss Rose Shuman of New York City, niece of General Shuman of Illinois, who ran on the ticket that elected Shelby M. Cullom to the United States senate a friend of the late Robert Ingersoll, Russell Sage, Melville E. Stone of the Associated Press and John D. Woodside, a capitalist of Philadelphia, while on a trip for her health, and after visiting Boise City and Sumpter in search of a swindler, said to be dropped into Baker City yesterday and continued her search leaving on the night train for New York City by the way of Salt Lake City.

Miss Shuman's story is interesting in the extreme and she told a Democrat man all about it in the hope that publicity might aid in locating the handsome man who fleeced herself and friends out of thousands. Miss Shuman stated that last July a handsome man giving the name of C. J. Christie, whom she described to be about six feet tall, rather heavy set brown hair, blue eyes, wearing a Vandycote beard, having perfect teeth and weighing about 160 pounds, came to New York, called upon her and represented that for a certain amount of capital he would secure for herself and friends a large body of valuable timber land in eastern Oregon.

She recommended him. Miss Shuman says she referred him to certain people in Philadelphia, and that Christie went there, afterward returning to New York. Both Philadelphia and New York parties went into the deal and Geo. W. Woodside, the millionaire, made a contract July 25, 1902, with C. J. Christie, the Oregon man, paying him \$3,500 in cash and agreeing to pay more under certain conditions for a contract on Christie's part to deliver about 200,000 acres of timber land on Burnt river in eastern Oregon and Idaho, which he represented could be entered from the government or secured on timber reserve script at \$4.50 to \$5 per acre. Later Christie wrote Mr. Woodside that he had secured or was about to secure, 72,000 acres of the land on Burnt river and had secured 160 men to take it up. Miss Shuman says that since then nothing has been seen or heard of Christie, their money or the land.

He is the Man in Mexico. Miss Shuman said that in her investigations she went to the bank in Sumpter, where Christie said he would leave all papers and where he said he had all his references. She said she found that he was known there and that the bank officials claimed he had borrowed about \$1000 worth of their finest gold nugget specimens and had never returned them. She said it was believed that he had gone to Mexico where certain New York and Philadelphia capitalists are interested in mining. She says Christie is also known in Boise, Spokane and Portland and hopes some information may be had from these sources as to his whereabouts.

Miss Shuman came west for her health and was deputized by the other New York and Philadelphia capitalists to look up Mr. Christie. The original contracts and documents in this matter were shown to the Democrat representative. Later it was learned early this morning that the Christie wanted in this case is probably the C. J. Christie veterinary surgeon, who had an office in Baker City some years ago and afterwards went into mining.

A SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY
Kodol does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even when but slightly disordered or overloaded. Kodol does the work of the stomach, relaxing the spastic nature of digestion and unobstructing the stomach, while the inflamed mucous membrane of the stomach is allowed to rest and heal. Kodol digests what you eat and enables the stomach and digestive organs to transform all food into rich red blood. F. G. Hans, 96 State Street.

Phelps's Riders Didn't Ride

In the consideration of the game bill in the house Wednesday evening, Phelps offered an amendment changing the open season for shooting pheasants from October 1st to September 1st. It was defeated by a

unanimous vote. Phelps then attempted to have the bill amended so as to permit the killing of pheasants and grouse east of the Cascades by September 1st, claiming that the seasons in Eastern Oregon are six weeks earlier than in the Willamette valley. After some discussion, the second amendment was also defeated, and the open season for hunting pheasants continues to remain from October 1st.

One More Unfortunate.
Alois Wolf, aged 24 years, of Aumville, has been committed to the asylum. She is a victim of melancholy, and her insanity is believed to be hereditary.

PUBLIC OFFICE EXAMINER

Bill Defeated On the Last Round

Many Believed It Was a Good Bill

Oregon will not have a public office examiner for two years at least.

The principal object of the bill was to do away with the necessity of legislative investigating committees and of the hiring of "expert accountants" by the various counties of the state, as was recently done in Marion county.

The opposition to the bill was based upon the fact that no given remuneration was fixed for this examiner, and this was interpreted to mean that there was no limit to the amount he should, or rather, could receive.

Neither is the compensation for his assistants named, but as the clerks in the counties in which he is engaged in examining books, shall receive a sum not to exceed \$4 per day, it is probable that amount would be charged.

With the exception of these items, the bill was generally considered meritorious.

It is provided that the examinations of the officer should cover the offices of the state and county officers, and all of the several public, educational, charitable and reformatory institutions belonging to the state, the fish warden, game and forestry warden and dairy and food commissioner.

WIDOWS OF THE GUARDS

Get \$1000 Each By Efforts of Senator Croisian

The senate concurred with the house in the appropriation of \$1000 each to Sylvia E. Ferrel, Edna Tiffany and Susan E. Jones, widows of the guards killed last June at the prison.

There was no opposition to the measure, which was presented by Senator Croisian.

DILLEY FULLY CLEARED

Not Convicted by Testimony of Convicts

A. C. Dilley has been cleared by the legislative investigating committee of the charges made against him in connection with the recent scandal at the penitentiary.

The testimony of both officers and convicts was taken in regard to the matter, and every point covered. The result was not unfavorable to Dilley, who has been, by the majority, considered innocent of the charge.

The evidence of the woman convict concerned, Mrs. Carlyle, was opposite to that of the other convicts.

The care of Mrs. Carlyle was criticized by the committee, as it is neither secured or guarded. They recommended that she not be allowed to go free on account of the circumstances surrounding her becoming enceinte, and the defiant spirit she has continually maintained during her stay there.

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AVALANCHE BRINGS LUCK

Tenderfoot Caught in a Snow Slide

Finds a Gold Mine Uncovered by It

George Pickens, a young man who lately arrived at Gridley, California, from the East, has had a run of luck which makes him believe that this is indeed a land of gold. Two weeks ago he announced that he was going into the mountains to prospect for gold. His friends explained to him that it was impossible to do any prospecting while the snow lay yards deep all over the hills, but he persisted and started out with a burro and a miners outfit.

He struggled up an old trail in the neighborhood of Buck's ranch, and while ascending a steep hill was caught in a snow slide. The avalanche swept him and his burro down the mountain and landed him, bruised but not seriously hurt, in a canon 200

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CLEAR HAVANA CIGAR

WATERS, The Cigar Man

SOLE AGENT

feet lower down. With commendable pluck he scrambled back up the face of the mountain, and where the avalanche had uprooted trees and gouged out the ground, he discovered a quartz ledge.

Believing that all quartz ledges carried gold, he collected some specimens and returned. The samples assayed very rich, and Pickens is confident he has a good mine. He will not return to the place until spring, as he says the ledge is in such an inaccessible place that there is no danger of anyone finding it and taking it up.

PHELPS TAX LAW

Allows Semi-Annual Payments Next Year

The senate has passed the revision tax law, to go into effect next year. This provides that taxes may be paid at two different times in the year without becoming delinquent.

A change is also made in the rebate allowed for early payments, and instead of the 3 per cent now allowed, only 2 per cent being given hereafter. The penalty on delinquent taxes is also changed from 10 per cent to 5 per cent.

Mr. Phelps, of Morrow and Umalla introduced the measure.

The Best Ever.
Go to Strong's Restaurant for Breakfast meals. If you need anything in the line of bread or pastry this is the best place.

Cattle Dying in Mountains.
Under date of February 17th, a Lebanon correspondent of the Eugene Register says: "Cattle, which are being wintered in the mountains above this place, are dying off in large numbers. Reports come that parties have lost as high as 16 head in one band, and if the present cold weather continues the loss will be much greater. They are taken into the mountains in the fall in large droves, but this year the snow has been much heavier than usual, which, accompanied by the cold weather, is proving very disastrous. The range is under snow and the winter feed exhausted; hence when found by their owners the cattle are either dead from cold and starvation, or so weak that they cannot be driven to fresh range, and they are consequently left to die."

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OREGON'S CLOSE CALL

Nearly Foundered in Fierce Typhoon

Swept by Terrific Seas But Pulled Through

A report received at the navy department tells of a recent experience of the battleship Oregon, Captain W. W. Burwell, off the Japanese coast, in which "the bulldog of the navy" nearly foundered in a terrific typhoon. The Oregon was swept by heavy seas and rolled to an alarming degree. One giant wave sent a volume of water down the ammunition hoist of one of her eight-inch turrets, and caused all the lights to be extinguished and the auxiliary machine to stop. The roll of the vessel at one time amounted to 35 degrees, and it was feared by those on board that she would capsize.

Her low freeboard gave her no protection from the high-crested seas and her tall topworks gave the furious wind a hold which made the armor-

plated career dangerously. Fortunately the Oregon managed to survive the shock, and is now safe at Yokohama. When she met with her thrilling experience she was proceeding from Bremerton, Wash., to join Rear-Admiral Evans' battleship squadron on the Asiatic station.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Joint and Other Committees.
Joint committees were appointed this afternoon as follows:

To receive President Roosevelt—Eddy, Banks, Gault, Hale, Herman, Jones of Lincoln, Galloway and Billings.

To receive Captain Clark of the Oregon—Nottingham, Roth, Phelps. House committee to revise house journal—Darey, of Marion.

Big Michigan Fire.
Houghton, Mich., Feb. 20.—A fire this morning in the business section, destroyed \$150,000 worth of property.

Insurance Swindlers

Assistant District Attorney Kroeitel, of New York City, said yesterday the insurance fraud case now under investigation in this city promised to develop into one of the most startling ever known in the criminal history of the city.

"Before the district attorney's office has finished its investigation of the astounding and extraordinary New York insurance frauds," he said, "I should not be surprised if it were proved that the conspirators even went so far as to murder in cold blood to get bodies for the purpose of collecting policies. We have found that 22 substitute bodies were passed off on the Hancock Insurance Company alone, and as soon as the plotters are indicted these will be exhausted. The investigation into the remarkable plot has hardly begun."

The fate of Sarah Webber, who, it is alleged, died from the effects of brutal treatment, which, it is charged, she received at the hands of the conspirators, Mr. Kroeitel said, is but a single instance.

According to stories told by her relatives, Sarah Webber was tortured in order to compel her to aid in the insurance frauds. When the girl left home she had rosy cheeks, and was the picture of health. When her family found her she was a shadow of her former self. She told her brother that she had been beaten, starved and slashed with knives to force her to help those engaged in the conspiracy.

SUICIDE AT SALT LAKE

John B. Glenz Takes Carbolic Acid

His Parents and Relatives Residents of Salem

A special to The Journal this morning announced that John B. Glenz, whose parents reside here, had committed suicide at Salt Lake City early this morning by taking carbolic acid. His parents and the family are much shocked at the calamity that has befallen them, and to a Journal reporter said they knew of no reason why he should commit the rash act, unless it was from brooding over the death of his brother, E. F. Glenz to whom he was much attached, and who died here last month. The deceased was 24 years of age, but has not been with his family for three years. The family here consists of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Glenz, five brothers and two sisters. They came here from Minnesota last April, and have certainly been pursued by misfortune ever since. Added to the death of one son, and the unfortunate taking off of another, sickness has visited the family, and Thursday two other sons, aged respectively 13 and 15 years, were taken to the hospital, both suffering from an attack of typhoid fever. The body will probably be brought here for burial, announcement of which will be made later.

Little Miss Peary, the Snow Baby, Little Marie Ahmigo Peary, the arctic explorer's daughter, bears the

distinction of being the first and only white child ever born in northern Greenland.

New Jersey's Good Roads.
During the past twelve months \$450,000 was spent in macadamizing public roads in New Jersey, and for this comparatively small sum the state now has 140 miles of the finest rural thoroughfares in the country. Altogether New Jersey has 641 miles of these fine highways.

CURTAIN CALLS.
Kylie Bollew is to star in the Shake-up musical repertoire of Edwige Booth. An entirely new fourth act has been written for "A Rose of Plymouth Tavern."

Sarah Bernhardt's new play by Victorien Sardou is to be called "The Sorceress."

Olivette Tre-Mayne has been engaged for "The Sleeping Beauty and the Beast."

Henry S. Alward is directing the tour of Miss Bertha Galloway in "Notre Dame."

Herrie has written a new play which Charles Frohman will produce first in London.

H. R. Matzell has been doing an enormous business with "The Dagger and the Cross."

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NORTH BEND GROWS

Thriving New Town in Coos County

Woolen Mill at Bandon to Be Moved There

Expects to Have it Running in 90 Days

Monday about six or seven hundred people congregated at North Bend to witness the driving of the first pile for the new woolen mill which is to be built as fast as mechanics can construct it. This is one of the initial steps of several industries which are to be put into operation in the near future at this new town, the first town in Oregon where manufacturing will be established, and pay rolls exist before there are buildings enough to house those employed, which is causing more interest just now than any other proposition on the coast.

Mr. Simpson is proving himself a man of action and deeds and his theory that the town will soon follow the pay roll will be practically demonstrated.

There were many present from Empire and some from Bandon and the day was beautiful. The first drop of the hammer was at 3:25 and the pile went down in good solid bottom and when it was at the proper depth a cheer went from one and all and the band played and everybody was enthusiastic.

Mr. Simpson caused his mills to be shut down so the workmen and their families could take in the breaking of the ground for the new enterprise. The new mill will be built facing the new city dock and it will be a fine location so far as shipping facilities go and the product of the mill can leave the mill door and in a few minutes be safe aboard a steamer. It will occupy a block of ground. A pile-driver is now on the ground and another will be at work there in a few days and work will be advanced as fast as possible. It is the intention of Mr. Clark to have the mill in operation and weaving cloth within 90 days.

The event was celebrated Monday night by a banquet and speeches were made and toasts responded to by various speakers. It will be long remembered. While Bandon will lose an important manufacturing establishment which has been a great benefit to the town, North Bend will gain one of the important stepping stones to various other industries.

Bed Time
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SENATOR SMITH SCORES

In Fight on Port of Portland Commission

Senator Smith, of Multnomah, won his argument for interest rate for the Port of Portland commission, in the conference committee, to which it was referred.

Hereafter the rate of interest will be 4 per cent, instead of 5, as the greater part of the Multnomah delegation desired.

In securing this change the opposition has scored against the former managers of the Port of Portland commission, and some time has been spent in amicably settling the contention.

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