

WEBER HANGED TODAY

Murdered Father, Mother, Brother, Sister and Even the Baby

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 27.—Adolph Weber telegraphed from Folsom prison to F. P. Tuttle, his attorney, this morning, begging him to make an appeal to the governor to grant him a reprieve. It is announced at the governor's office that the governor will not interfere.

Folsom, Cal., Sept. 27.—Confident the governor will interfere to prevent his execution, Weber maintained his noted indifference up to this morning, but now shows signs of weakening. His belief that the governor would stay the execution, and not courage, was what held him up so long. Weber played chess with Dr. Gladding last night until 12 o'clock, after which he went to bed and rested well until 7 o'clock, when he arose and ate a hearty breakfast. When Acting Warden Cochran told him the time was getting short, he replied: "Never mind, my time isn't worrying me." Following his first message to his attorney at Sacramento, Weber wired: "Prevent the execution on insanity plea or anything." Rev. J. T. Willis, of Sacramento, and Rev. Thomas Fairbanks called at 10:35. At first he refused to see them, but afterwards consented to talk with them several minutes. Dr. Gladding states he will not be surprised if Weber collapses on the gallows.

Folsom, Sept. 27.—Weber waived the reading of the death warrant, and went to the gallows without making any statement. He was very nervous as he mounted the gallows and surveyed the crowd, but said nothing.

Folsom, Sept. 27.—The trap was sprung at 12:26, and Weber was pronounced dead 14 minutes later.

The crime for which Adolph Weber was legally put to death was one of the foulest and most cold-blooded in the criminal annals of California.

On the night of November 10, 1904, when young Weber was 20 years old, Julius Weber's home at Auburn, Cal., was burned. Julius Weber, a rich man, was Adolph Weber's father. Adolph was downtown when the fire bell rang and went to the scene with the firemen. The house was consumed, but not until the bodies of Mrs. Weber (Adolph's mother), Bertha Weber (his sister) and Chester Weber (his brother) were taken out of it. The two former were badly burned, but the little boy was still alive. Blood on his nightshirt caused the first suspicion to cross the coroner's mind, and the investigation resulted in Adolph Weber's arrest.

The charred body of Julius Weber, the father, was found next day. Many thought the father committed the crime, but when no pistol could be found in the ruins and when one with several bullets of the same caliber as those taken from the dead bodies was found in the barn all acquiesced in the judgment of the officers that the right man had been arrested.

A few days later Coroner Shepard together with Clarence Gear, Den Pependener and John Monahan, found \$5500 buried under the Weber barn, which, it was afterward

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proven, had been stolen from the Placer county bank at Auburn by young Weber.

Adolph Weber was tried and convicted on a charge of murdering his mother on February 22, 1905, and later sentenced to be hanged on the 30th day of June following. The case was appealed, but the higher court upheld the decision of the lower court and Weber was again sentenced to hang. The motive for the murder was no doubt the hope of securing the inheritance, as Adolph became the sole heir of the entire estate of his father, estimated to amount to \$76,000.

The prosecution prepared a strong case against the prisoner. To the satisfaction of the jury it proved him a degenerate of the lowest order; that it was he who held up the cashier of the Placer county bank, getting thereby \$6300; that he had not been on good terms with his family for several days preceding the murders; that by the death of father, mother, sister and brother he hoped to inherit the family wealth; that on the night of the murder he entered the house, shot down in quick succession the members of the family, poured kerosene over the prostrate bodies and set them afire, then locked the doors and hurried downtown, purchased and put on a new pair of trousers, later going back to the house to throw the old pair into the blazing pile.

In weaving its chain of circumstantial evidence the prosecution advanced a theory for the manner in which the mother was killed that stamped the prisoner as a veritable hyena. Through the telephone operator it was learned that an hour before the tragedy was discovered the telephone in the Weber home signaled for a connection. The operator answered a few seconds later, but could get no reply. A few minutes later the line was clear. When told of this the prosecution immediately arrived at the conclusion that one of the family tried to call for assistance and was shot while doing so. This belief was strengthened when Mrs. Weber's body was examined. Under the left armpit was a bullet hole with every appearance of having been made with holding the receiver to her ear.

A feeble attempt was made to place the responsibility for the crime on the shoulders of a mysterious stranger, but the circumstantial evidence against Adolph was so strong that the attempt was received with derision.

Not a word of regret that the loved ones should have been destroyed, not one word of hope that the murdered might be apprehended, not a single symptom of grief came from Weber.

The robbery of the Placer county bank, which was not fixed on Weber until after the murder, was a daring crime. In May, 1904, the bank was entered in broad daylight by a man in a mask. A demand signed "Red Shirt Gordon," asking for all the money in the bank, was passed over the counter. While the cashier was reading the note the robber jumped through the teller's window, raked \$6300 into a sack he carried, shot at the cashier, went to the street and jumping into a farmer's cart, drove off and successfully eluded the officers. His mask and pistol were found, but no clew was secured as to the identity of the robber.

He Has Heard of Vespers.
A young disciple of Sunset Cox thus warbles in the Baker City Democrat:

"Just at vespers last evening the western sky was darkened by a few clouds. The curtain lifted and the sun in all its royal gorgeousness sat a few minutes on the crest of Elkhorn mountain, throwing bright rays of light across the valley as shine the sparks of a diamond. Many paused in wonder at the magnificent scene unequalled by any of the celebrated Italian landscape gems. Hardly had his royal highness disappeared when the new moon rose over the same spot, her beautiful crescent outlined against a pale blue sky that had cleared of all clouds, and was dotted with twinkling stars."

The Washington judge decided he could not send Esther Mitchell and Mrs. Crawford to the penitentiary, as they were insane, so he gives them a life sentence to Oregon.

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State News

Portland 4, San Francisco 1, was the score at San Francisco yesterday.

George Gross, of Eugene, has shot the biggest deer of the season. It weighed when dressed 200 pounds. The S. P. Co. is making some needed improvements at their yards in Eugene. Later a new depot is to be built.

William Jordan, a pioneer farmer, living eight miles east of Albany, died Wednesday.

Mark D. McCallister, '05, has been elected graduate manager of athletics at O. A. C., to succeed Bert Pilkington.

Fred R. Ward, a member of the sophomore class at Pacific University, has been elected captain of the football team.

The Pacific States Telegraph and Telephone Company is putting in a new switchboard at their Eugene office, which is a great convenience for the 400 farmer patrons.

Mrs. Mollie Klyder, a McMinnville woman, committed suicide Tuesday by jumping from the top of a covered bridge over the Yamhill river. She was temporarily insane.

W. O. Zeigler, chairman of the Eugene school board, has resigned and will go to Portland to reside. F. W. Osburn, cashier of the Loan and Savings bank, will succeed him.

Andrew Polich, employed on the North Bank railroad, near Hood River, exploded 70 sticks of dynamite with an iron bar Wednesday and lives to tell the tale. The explosion hurled him many feet away, but the only injury he received was a broken arm.

George Schwartz, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Pauline Schwartz, of Oregon City, fell from a bridge at that place Wednesday, a distance of 30 feet, and, although he was badly bruised, no permanent injuries were received.

The annual convention of the Eastern Oregon District Medical Society was held at Pendleton Wednesday, and Dr. Prinzling, of Baker City, was elected president. The next annual meeting will be held at Paddum Springs, near Baker City.

Mrs. J. F. Robinson, of Albany, died suddenly while on her way from Independence to Albany. She and her husband had been picking

hops at the J. S. Cooper yard there, where she was taken ill with typhoid fever, and it was found necessary to take her to Albany, so a team was secured, and they started. She grew rapidly worse and died on the Independence ferry. She was a spiritualistic medium.

Albany will be represented on the gridiron this season by a strong team, which has been organized under the name of the Albany Athletic Club. The team will play the old-style game, as modified by the new rules. Among the players are such well-known men as Irwin Schultz, Bert Francis, Francis Coates, Clyde Ward, Duncan Monteith, John Neely and Charles Cleek. The first game will be played with the Salem high school at Salem, October 20th.

The Robber and His Rake-Off.

Because the stockholders of the Wells-Fargo express company are scrapping among themselves, the public has just learned the pleasing fact that the corporation's net earnings last year amounted to 30 per cent on its much-watered stock.

No wonder this combination can afford to keep an army of lobbyists at Washington to defeat any measure that makes for public convenience in the shape of parcels' post. When Henniker Heaton, the postmaster-general of England, asked the postmaster-general of the United States why this country did not enjoy a parcels post, he was met with this answer:

"There are three good and sufficient reasons why the United States mails have no such service, the first reason is the Wells-Fargo express company; the second reason is the Adams express company, and the third reason is the Southern express company."

It is a notorious fact that the patrons of these express companies are robbed twice over; first in the initial charges, which are invariably of themselves exorbitant; secondly, by the rake-off or additional charge fixed under "orders" by the employees. No tariff sheet, for instance, is printed for the use of the general public.

You are obliged to take the word of the companies for the charges, both going and coming, and they take "all that's coming" both ways.

MARKET QUOTATIONS TODAY

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Eggs—Per dozen, 25c.
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Frys—12c.
Ducks—9@10c.

Poultry, Eggs, Etc.

Eggs—Per dozen, 25c.
Butter—Retail—Country, 20c, creamery, 25c.
Hens—11 1/2c.
Frys—11c.
Geese—6@7c.
Ducks—8 1/2@9c.

Fruits, Vegetables, Etc.

New potatoes—65 cwt.
Onions—90c cwt.

Tropical Fruits.

Bananas—5 1/2c per pound.
Oranges—\$5.00@ \$6.00
Lemons—\$5@ \$6.

Live Stock Market.

Steers—3@ 3 1/2c.
Cows—2@ 2 1/2c.
Sheep—3 1/2c.
Dressed Veal—6 1/2@ 7c.
Fat Hogs—6 1/2@ 8.
Stock Hogs—5 1/2@ 6c.

Grain and Feed.

Baled Clover—\$6.00.
Cheat—\$6.00.
Timothy—\$8.50@ \$9.50.
Oats—30c.
Bran—\$18.
Shorts—\$19.
Barley—\$18.00.
Wheat, 65c.
Flour—\$3.60.

PORTLAND MARKET.

Wheat—Club, 64@ 65c; valley, 67@ 68c; bluestem, 67@ 68c.
Oats—Choice white, \$24@ \$25.50.
Millstuff—Bran, \$14.50.
Hay—Timothy, \$10@ \$11, Alfalfa, \$10.00.
Vetch—\$7@ 7.50.
Potatoes—80@ 90c.
Poultry—Average old hens, 14@ 14 1/2c; mixed chickens, 13@ 14c; young roosters, 14@ 15c; dressed chickens, 14@ 15 1/2c; turkeys, live, 16@ 21c; turkeys, dressed, 21@ 22 1/2c; geese, live, 9@ 10c; ducks, 14@ 15c; pigeons, \$1@ \$1.50.

Pork—Dressed, 7@ 8 1/2c.
Beef—Dressed, 4 1/2@ 5 1/2c.
Mutton—Dressed, 7@ 8c.
Hops—Oregon, 1905, 10@ 12c; 1906 contracts, 15@ 17c.
Wool—Valley, coarse to medium, 20@ 22c; Eastern Oregon, 15@ 19c.
Mohair—28@ 30c.
Butter—Fancy Creamery, 27 1/2@ 30c; store butter, 15@ 17c.

The Australian Wool Industry.

During the Australasian wool season of 1905-6, just closed, 1,869,455 bales of wool were exported, valued at \$122,932,710, against 1,595,734 bales, valued at \$98,267,696, for the preceding season, a net gain of \$24,665,014. Adding the wool looted consumed the production for 1905-6 valued at \$124,905,462. At the end of the year 1905 there were 93,836,545 sheep in Australasia, an increase of 10,517,931 over 1904, which by far the greatest addition to the flocks which has taken place for many years.

One of the most noticeable features of the industry is that whereas before the drought 120,000,000 sheep were shorn, yielding 1,959,811 bales, last year 93,000,000 sheep produced 1,869,455 bales, showing that 12 years ago it took the fleeces and skirtings from, say, 61 sheep to fill a bale whereas last year the wool (fleeces and skirtings, etc.), from 50 sheep, did so; while in regard to values, the former clip realized in Australia £10 10s. (\$51.09) per bale, as against £13 10s. \$65.69 per bale last season, showing the net return per sheep at the present time to be 1s. 11 1/2d. (47 cents) per head better than at the earlier date. There has been no improvement in the quality of the wool and the explanation, therefore, would appear to be that the oldest and worst sheep were the first that perished when the enormous losses in the flocks through drought lately occurred, while such a curtailment in the wool supply resulted in a natural enhancement in value.

Of the locally sold wool (72 per cent of the production), 28 per cent was purchased by English buyers, 57 per cent by continental buyers (German, French, etc.), 6 per cent by American, 1 per cent by Japan, China and India, and 8 per cent by local manufacturers. — Consul General Bray of Melbourne.

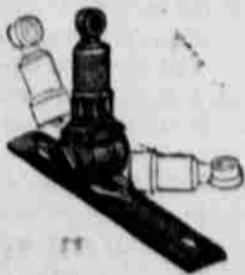
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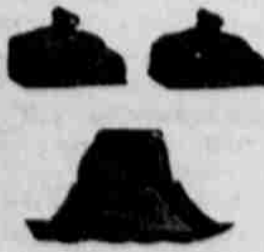
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