

PITIFUL SCENE IN COUNTY COURT ROOM

Mother, Crying, Clasps Son in Her Arms as She Heroically Gives Him Up.

THINKS IT BEST FOR HIM

Judge Bushey Talked Like a Father to the Boys Before Sending Them to Training School.

A pitiful scene was enacted in County Judge Bushey's chambers this morning when Jesse Lee and Dewey McKelrath, two of the boys who were arrested by the police for stealing hides from local slaughter houses, were brought before the county magistrate for hearing preliminary to their commitment to the Oregon state training school.

The Lee boy was accompanied by his mother, and when Sheriff Esch escorted the lad to the court room, the mother displayed a love and affection for her offspring that brought tears to the eyes of the judge and other spectators. With tears streaming down her cheeks, the wayward lad's mother pleaded with him; told him how she tried to assist him along in the world, going without for his sake, and trusted him. She told her son that she could do nothing for him and that he must go to the reform school, and the lad, who had been surly and stubborn before, broke down. Clasped in each other's arms, mother and son sobbed out their griefs, while the court discontinued the hearing.

County Judge Bushey, in a fatherly manner, lectured the boys. He told them that they had not been given a proper opportunity to make themselves useful in this world and that the authorities to whom they were to be sent will educate them, teach them trades, and that they will be far more fortunate by being taken away from bad company and temptation to do wrong.

The McKelrath boy had no one to advise him during the hearing except the judge. He told the court that he had stolen the hides along with the other boys and was equally as guilty, and admitted having fired a revolver in the air while being chased by the officers.

"Boys," said Judge Bushey, "you are now going to be placed in the hands of men who will be kind to you, who will teach you the better side of life. But whatever you do, you must obey, obey to the letter. You come to me as young, misguided boys. Your lives would probably have resulted disastrously had it not been for the fact you were arrested at this time. Go to the training school, behave yourselves and try and make men instead of criminals of yourselves."

Forrest Walker, the third member of the youthful robbing band, was sent to the Chemawa Indian training school by the court, the officers of that institution having agreed to accept the lad on account of his race.

LANSING REFUSES THE SERVICES OF UNDERTAKER

To be declared dead while he was in the act of peacefully pounding his car in a good comfortable bed at home was the experience of Charles F. Lansing, the nurseryman at the corner of Commercial and Ferry streets, last Wednesday.

Mr. Lansing had left his downtown business for home on the Garden Road and had retired for the night when a neighbor called and, after rousing the nurseryman out of bed, advised him that an undertaker was looking for his remains. Pinching himself several times and taking a squint in the glass to satisfy himself that he was still able to see, Mr. Lansing told his neighbor he was not dead and that he "didn't order no undertaker."

The agent who was sent out to locate the deceased Lansing, made a wrong connection by thinking the nurseryman was the corpse in question, and was later advised that another man by the same name had passed away in the neighborhood.

May Have to Work Some.

Washington, April 11.—Eight instead of nine o'clock will be the hour for beginning the day's work in the various departments of the government in the near future, it is reliably reported here today. The cabinet discussed the proposed change of hours today.

To Show the Physicians.

Providence, R. I., April 11.—Declaring that the Providence physicians had honored him with an open confidence in his remedy deserved to be the first to profit by his discovery, Dr. Frederick Frazz Friedmann, discoverer of an alleged specific for tuberculosis, promised today to give these physicians the first instruction in the use of his serum. He has arranged for a conference with Doctors Dwinell, Barnes, Starr and Harris. He also predicted a complete cure in each of the 15 cases treated here yesterday.

P. E. & E. IMPROVING STREET-CAR LINES

Laying 72-Pound Rails on to Fair Ground—Overhead Construction is Also Improved.

The Portland, Eugene & Eastern has begun the relaying of the North Commercial street car line from Mill creek to the fair grounds with 72-pound steel rails and with the best of ballasting. This line runs on the Fair Grounds road, Sixth, Liberty and Hood streets.

The improvement is only a part of a program for general improvement of the local system that has been laid out by the company. In addition to the relaying of the tracks the overhead construction is to be made heavier and more modern. On South Commercial streets from the tracks to the end of the line the poles have been set for new overhead construction. The brackets for the support of the wires have arrived and will be installed without delay. The overhead construction is also to be remodeled on the State street line from Twelfth street to the end of the line.

At State and Commercial streets the crossing which has been responsible for a great deal of unnecessary noise is being removed and a crossing of a more quiet order put in its place. A new manganese crossing is being installed at Twelfth and Chemeketa streets.

Many thousands of dollars are being expended by the company on local improvements. Other changes in the local system are to be announced later.

PROPOSE TO ORGANIZE A LABOR UNION

Fifty men assembled in a hall on State street last night and made tentative plans for the organization of a teamsters and laborers' union in Salem. Word has been received from the East that the organization's charter will arrive here next week and a permanent union will then be established.

The present members expect to add at least two hundred more teamsters and laborers to the union within a short time and eventually perfect one of the strongest organizations of the kind in the state.

The new union will accept applications from teamsters, auto drivers, and, in fact, all classes of laborers. Mr. Ackerman, a local Salem teamster, is acting as president of the temporary organization. Upon the arrival of the charter, a banquet will be served by the members of the union.

COMMITTEE TO MAKE REPORT WEDNESDAY

Complete reports from the committees which had charge of the solicitation of cash and supplies for the benefit of the sufferers in the Indiana and Ohio flood zones will be made at the Board of Trade meeting Wednesday evening of next week. The finance committee was headed by William McGilchrist, Jr., and the committee soliciting supplies was led by Mayor Steeves. The reports made Wednesday night will account for all cash collected and spent.

PRESIDENT OF NORMAL WANTS RATES LOWERED

J. H. Ackerman, president of the state normal school at Monmouth, today complained to the state railroad commission that the rates charged for electricity by the Oregon Power company for electricity furnished the normal school are too high. President Ackerman explains that the dormitory for girls at the normal school has just been completed and will soon be occupied and he believes that the increase of consumption of electricity would warrant a reduction on the part of the company.

LAND COMPANY WINS FIGHT WITH WEST

Government Finds There Was No Attempt to Defraud and Money is Accounted For.

WILL SOON RESUME WORK

The Governor's Contentment Was That The Company Was Not Living Up to Contract With the State.

The interior department has decided against Governor West and in favor of the Deschutes Land company, in a fight which has been waged for a year and which resulted in no work being done on the project of the company, located near Lake Crescent. As a result of the decision, the company, it is announced, will at once resume operations, with a view of completing the project at as early a date as possible.

About a year ago Governor West contended that the company was not living up to its contract with the state, and took the matter up with the federal government, with the result that the company's application for water from Lake Crescent was suspended. During the heated controversy with the company, the governor demanded that a financial statement be filed with him. This was at first refused, but later Secretary Morrison, of the Company, promised to give it if it was not handed to the press, he claims.

The government had a special agent investigate the project and he reported that all of the \$231,000 received by the company had been accounted for except \$340. It was also found that there was no reason for prosecution on a charge of using the mails to defraud as alleged by the governor.

Secretary Morrison, who was here yesterday afternoon, stated that work on the project would be resumed at once. There are 31,000 acres in the project.

THE COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Salem people who wish to attend the Marion county Sunday school convention at Silverton Sunday and Monday will be able to leave Salem at 10 o'clock a. m. on the Fir line, which will allow them to arrive in Silverton in time for all of the important services each day. Delegates will be given free entertainment by Silverton people.

Following is the program as arranged for the convention:

- Sunday Morning, M. E. Church. 11:00—Opening Song, Primary Dept., M. E. Church. Song. Prayer—Rev. Meyers. Address, "Vision, Vigor, Victory"—Rev. C. A. Phipps. Song. The Sunday School Library—Miss Marvin.

Afternoon Session—Christian Church. 2:30—Song. Haste in the King's Business—Rev. G. W. Rohrbough. 3:00—Secondary Division. Mrs. Ormaby. 3:15—Discussion. 3:20—Music in the Sunday School. Chas. Roth. 3:30—Elementary Department. Miss Clark. 3:50—Discussion. 4:55—Primary Work—Mrs. Hobson. 5:10—Teacher Training. E. H. Anderson.

Sunday Evening, M. E. Church. 7:30—Song Service. 7:45—Building Up the Sunday School—Dr. H. C. Epley. 8:15—Social Service. Rev. P. F. Schrock. 9:45—Reports of County Officers. Election of Officers. Miscellaneous Business. The Sunday School and the Great Commission. Mrs. Bertha Peoples. Address—Rev. C. A. Phipps. 11:45—Adjournment.

Made a Good Haul.

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Los Angeles, Cal., April 11.—Gold mounted jade valued at more than \$2,000 and \$50 in cash was the haul of robbers who looted the store of the Sing Fat company here early today. The robbers entered the store by cutting down a square of plate glass window. A watchman was in the building while they worked.

They Want the Girl.

San Francisco, April 11.—Following the receipt of information that they are in Ontario, Cal., the district attorney's office here today requested the authorities of that town to search for Miss Ethel Williams, formerly of Seattle, who is wanted here to testify in her betrayal trial against Dr. Otto C. Joselin, and her mother and sister. It is reported the Williams, left here in order to avoid another court session, and to save from undesirable publicity a San Francisco candy manufacturer, to whom Miss Williams is said to be engaged.

MAY START A GLASS FACTORY IN SALEM

Indiana Men Look Over Situation and Consider This an Ideal Site for Their Plant.

Because the site and the necessary buildings can be procured cheaper in Salem than in any other city on the Pacific coast having shipping facilities equal to Salem, it is reported that two Indiana men propose to start a glass factory here. If the project is launched a stock company will be formed.

Eastern people have been in the state for some time investigating the feasibility of such a factory. It is stated that if the factory is started here the silica will be procured from Washington.

HAROLD REX HURT WHILE RIDING BIKE

Run Into Street Car and Was Thrown Heavily, But Not Seriously Injured.

Harold Rex, an employe of the Salem Iron Works, received severe bruises and narrowly escaped serious injury when, while riding a bicycle, he collided with an electric car at Front and Center streets at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. Byrd was called and pronounced the young man not badly hurt, but advised bed and rest for the remainder of the day.

Rex, who lives in West Salem, was returning to work after his noon luncheon. He had just crossed the steel bridge and was about to cross the railroad track when he saw the car, which he had not noticed approaching and which was almost upon him. Motorman E. R. Robertson, who was driving the car, thought Rex was going to cross the track and slowed down to prevent a collision. Simultaneously Rex swerved his wheel to pass around the car, and the collision resulted.

Rex was thrown from the wheel with great force, his head striking the pavement. He was unconscious a very short time, however, but was unable to arise. He was given assistance at the scene of the accident for about 15 minutes before it was thought advisable to allow him to be moved. He was taken to his home in an automobile.

The accident was seen by Miss Catherine Pearce and Miss Ida Frakes, acquaintances of the young man. They were on the bridge at the time and rushed to his assistance.

Postponement.

Owing to the illness of some of Miss Magers' pupils the regular monthly meeting of the Salem's Woman's club, which was to have been held at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Brown, 599 State street, on Saturday, April 12, is postponed for two weeks, and will meet at the same place on April 25.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors and the G. A. R. for the kindness and sympathy shown us in our sorrow, and also for the many flowers.—Mrs. Wm. Lansing and family.

Weather Forecast.

Oregon—Rain west, fair east portion tonight; Saturday, rain; cooler east portion. Southerly winds.

THE ALLIES FALL OUT AMONG THEMSELVES

Bulgaria Claims Salonika and is Backed by Austria, Germany and Italy.

GREECE ALSO CLAIMS IT

Russia and France Back Greece, While England Waits to See Whom to Join.

Vienna, April 11.—Indications of the first serious split in the camp of the Balkan allies, a split which may mean war between Greece and Bulgaria for the possession of Salonika, came today in messages from Belgrade. These state that Bulgaria is taking steps to occupy with an armed force the city and district of Salonika, while Greece is concentrating her forces there to hold what she has captured.

There is also a possibility of serious trouble between the great powers over the question. Bulgaria's claims to Salonika as compensation for the cession to Roumania of the Siliustria district are being backed by Austria, Germany and Italy, while Russia and France are holding out for Greece's claim to the city. Great Britain, so far, has expressed no opinion in the ambassadorial conferences.

Dispatches from Cetinje say that a serious conflict was barely avoided between the Montenegrins and Serbians, who were besieging Scutari, and that the Serbians have abandoned the siege and are on the return march to Belgrade. The Montenegrins declare that in a recent attempt to storm the Turkish fortifications, their army lost heavily because the Serbian gunners steadily poured shot and shell into the mixed Turkish and Montenegrin ranks, while the two were at hand grips on the ramparts.

WEST STAYTON WILL SOON HAVE A CANNERY

West Stayton, Marion county, Oregon, has started on a cannery. In order to have a home outlet for the products which the irrigators raise they found that a cannery was essential. They have therefore incorporated the West Stayton Canning company and have just elected their directors five in number, and their officers, viz.: D. M. McInnis, 1. R. Hammer and Lide W. McGowan, as president, vice president and secretary-treasurer. Plans are now being drawn for and bids solicited on building and plant. The Willamette Valley Irrigated Land Co., which developed the irrigation project here, donated the site. The buildings will have a frontage of 100 feet. Tomatoes, beans and berries will probably be the main things the first season.

RAILROAD MAN SAYS NO GIRLS MISSING

Baltimore, Md., April 11.—Unqualified denial of published reports that 20 immigrant girls had disappeared from a company train at New Castle, Pa., was made in a statement issued here today by an official of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

The statement says: "There is absolutely no foundation for the story. The Baltimore and Ohio railroad company handled two cars of immigrants from New York to Chicago March 18, all reaching their destination."

"A car containing 40 immigrants, but no women, reached New Castle Junction March 6, en route to Chicago, and was delayed by flood conditions. The men were provided with meals at the expense of the railroad. While at the junction 19 of the immigrants went to work with gangs repairing flood damage and are still in our employ."

To Talk to Farmers.

Secretary Slade, of the Board of Trade, L. J. Chapin, farm management expert of the board, and Prof. F. L. Kent, of Oregon Agricultural college, went to Macleay to attend a meeting of farmers. Professor Kent will deliver an address on dairying.

Wednesday a meeting of the Pomona grange was held at Turner. A sumptuous banquet was held, three large tables being crowded. It is estimated that 100 persons attended. An address was given by Farm Management Expert Chapin.

Dr. Hutchinson Tonight.

Dr. Hutchinson of Portland, and at one time a pastor of a Salem church, will deliver an address at the men's supper at the Presbyterian church this evening at 8:30.

Held Up Three Trains.

San Diego, Cal., April 11.—It was decided today that John Moore, who stopped three San Diego and Southwestern trains at the point of a rifle Wednesday, and who was later captured in a barricaded house at La Mesa by deputy sheriffs, shall be brought before the superior court to answer to the charge of insanity. Moore held up three trains in succession by standing on the track and pointing his 30-30 rifle at the engineer. When the train had come to a standstill, Moore would disappear into the brush.

A TURNER WOMAN FINDS BLIND PIG

She Emptied the Suds in the Creek and Then Threw the Kegs in After It.

When three empty kegs came floating down the mill race through the little town of Turner the other day and banged themselves up against the side of the Turner flour mill, certain citizens of the place fell to the fact that a much frequented blind pig which has been operating and successfully eluding detection for some time, had been discovered and its contents consigned to the creek.

This most militant temperance move that has been made in Oregon in a long time was executed by Mrs. S. L. Rodgers. A few months ago the town of Turner voted to oust the saloons, and they were ousted. But a blind pig came. Folks knew the blind pig was operating, but it could not be located by foes of the booze.

The "joint" was receiving a strong patronage. Mrs. Small observed that many of the men of the town suddenly developed an interest in horses and seemed to have a lot of business in a stable that stood on neighboring premises. Starting out on an investigation, she boldly entered the barn when no one was about and discovered three kegs of beer snugly hidden away in the hay mow. Mrs. Rodgers didn't do a thing but roll the kegs down to the mill race, cave in the heads and empty the "suds" in the creek.

CAN YOU IMAGINE ANYTHING MEANER?

Many scurvy tricks have been played on unoffending grooms and brides by well intending friends who are willing at all times to lend a hand in celebrating one of those solemn affairs when persons launch themselves into the matrimonial circle, but the latest and most unscrupulous joke(?) perpetrated occurred in Albany night before last and a Salem man, one Jack Crowe, the dignitary who welcomes guests (and their money, of course) at the Marion Hotel, is responsible for a very much disturbed mind upon the part of Fred Broer, also Mrs. Broer, while that newly married couple were staying at the Hammel Hotel in the southern city.

It happened thusly: Crowe had been the recipient of the only vacant room in the new hostelry when that place opened for business Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Broer, after the ceremony in Salem, arrived in Albany and were unable to be accommodated. Mr. Crowe obligingly offered his quarters for the bridal pair, which was accepted after many declinations. Then trouble began brewing for the groom. The Salem hostelry magnate, with devilish malignity, induced the hotel clerk to call Mr. Broer to a sample room wherein the Home telephone was supposed to be located. Mr. Broer, expecting to answer a long distance call, walked unsuspectingly into the sample room and in a twinkling found himself a prisoner behind a locked door and with no avenue of escape.

Did Crowe let him out? Well, when that fellow left Albany in the wee hours of morning, Broer was still reposing in the sample room, while the bride was vainly searching for her newly acquired spouse.

Broer has always been known to be a fairly religious man. Just what opinion he could give of Jack Crowe at this time is a matter of conjecture with those and others who have been hounded by wedding bells in the form of slinking joy-makers.

Danger of Flood Over.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 11.—Fears of a second flood here are allayed today as the result of clear weather taking the place of the downpours. The temperature is colder than for some time past.

ALL IN THE MIXING SAYS CITY ENGINEER

He Says Much Concrete Paving Laid Heretofore Has Proven Unsatisfactory.

THE PROPORTIONS WRONG

Also States That Concrete Laid Now is of Much Better Grade Than That of a Few Years Ago.

Property owners of Marion street last evening at a city hall mass meeting decided to pave with concrete and indorsed the tender of W. D. Pugh, his bid, \$21,996.84, being the lowest. The vote stood 4469 1/2 in favor of concrete and 1113 against. The question of the durability of concrete was discussed at some length and it was decided that the contractor would be required to furnish a bond to keep the street in repair for five years. One contractor made the statement that the city council had declined to accept a bond for work done a year or so ago. The city engineer explained that concrete paving was of a much better grade, as mixed nowadays, than a few years ago.

One of the property owners wanted to know if concrete was ever put down properly, and this brought the engineer's explanation. It was admitted that much of the concrete paving laid in the past had proven very unsatisfactory.

"It's all in the mixing," said the engineer. "Some contractors used the wrong proportions, and so the paving lacked durability."

Scrap on Paving. A representative of the Montague-Riley company was introduced by one of the property owners as an educated gentleman who probably drew the largest salary of any paving man in Oregon.

There was a spirited controversy between the representatives of the Montague-Riley company and the Clark-Henery company. The representative of the last named firm told of great stretches of his kind of paving laid in California. Thirty miles of one roadway were laid with what was called the black base. The Montague-Riley man came back with the statement that as a result of the laying of that 30 miles of paving and other unsatisfactory jobs, the state engineer of California had prepared specifications which debarred that kind of paving and indorses the kind of paving sold by the Montague-Riley company. Formal action will be taken by the council Monday night.

ALDERMAN RIGDON IS MADE CHAIRMAN

Alderman W. T. Rigdon has been made president of the Salem board which will arrange for local co-operation with Portland in preparing for the World's Christian Citizenship conference, which is to assemble in the Rose City from June 29 to July 6. The other members of the committee are Rev. H. T. Babcock, vice-president; Paul Wallace, secretary; publicity committee, Dr. H. C. Epley, Joseph H. Albert and R. J. Hendricks.

Chairmen only were named for the following committees:

Fourth of July committee, W. R. Slade; co-operation committee, L. H. Compton; delegation committee, P. F. Schrock; transportation committee, C. P. Bishop; finance committee, A. A. Lee.

Secretary Slade, who is to head the Fourth of July committee, is instructed to name as many sub-committees as necessary to carry on the work. Those who are to work under P. F. Schrock as head of the delegation committee will be those heading the different religious organizations of the city.

SWEARs LOGANBERRY LAND IS WORTH \$3000 AN ACRE

The case of T. J. Clark vs. the City of Salem is being tried in the circuit court today. The plaintiff is seeking \$2000 as the amount of damages alleged to have resulted when the city opened up a street through his property, located in North Salem.

Counsel for the plaintiff based their arguments and introduction of testimony on the probable valuation of the land, which they allege is first class loganberry soil. E. Rump testified that the land was worth \$3000 an acre for loganberry purposes. Mr. Aspinwall, another witness, testified that loganberry land should net the owner \$200 an acre per annum.