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PRICE

LA FRENIA NOW IN JAIL

Victim of His Weapon In Precarious Condition

Bert Earbs who was the victim of the shooting fracas at Santa Saturday evening is still alive, but the result is doubtful. He is being treated at the hospital at Santa where the friends of both are eagerly watching for a turning point, when he will either live or die.

D. B. LaFrenia who did the shooting spent last evening in our city accompanied by Ves Babitt, a deputy sheriff from St. Maries. LaFrenia is a small man about 5 foot 6 inches tall, and thin, he is light complected and wears a light mustache. His face is not that of a criminal, and to all appearances he is but a boy or youth, about 21 or 22 years of age.

When asked about the affair he did not wish to talk but stated that Earbs had bothered him all day and that he was compelled to shoot in self defense as he feared Earbs would hurt him. Earbs admits that the fault lay with him and has left a sworn statement which all but exonerates LaFrenia in case of his death. LaFrenia is making efforts to secure bail but this morning had not done so. He and the deputy sheriff left for Rathdrum this morning where he will be held until he furnishes bail or has a trial. Nothing definite can be done until Earbs dies or shows signs of recovery.

Choral Club Operetta.

While it will be a home talent production, it promises to be the show of the season, as the best of the local talent has been secured, and professionals have said that the choral work is equal to any of that presented by some of the operas on the

road. It is good, and every body is talking about it.

The chorus work will be one of the features and so will be the work of those carrying principal parts. Many of the latter have had much experience and some with professionals. All have had the opportunity of seeing the best talent in the country, and as most people imitate while being original, there will be no lack of good work on their part.

The story is a familiar one, as the play is an old timer, having been presented throughout the entire country many years ago. The dashing young reporter, a summer resort, pretty girls and a war. The three bum bums as spies and Pauline. Much time has been spent on this production and care has been taken in securing the proper costumes. The first dress rehearsal will be held this evening when photographs will be taken, and placed on exhibition. The price of admission will be placed in the reach of all, and the call for seats has begun. Everything tends towards the most successful home talent entertainment ever given in the city. A trip to Wallace has been proposed, but nothing definite has been settled on, and the matter rests with the success met with Friday evening, October 26.

Walter Stoddard, of Rathdrum, who has been conducting a barber shop in that city for some time, has sold out his business and will engage in business in this city with his brother, C. E. Stoddard, who operates a shop next door to Ford's saloon.

OLD TRICKS IN DAKOTA

Minot, N. D., Oct. 23.—After keeping at bay a crowd of citizens for more than an hour and firing 300 shots, five masked bandits yesterday secured \$4600 from the Sawyer State bank at Candmeyer, 20 miles southeast of here.

They also took several hundred dollars' worth of clothing, revolvers and ammunition from a general store. Several citizens had narrow escapes.

The residents were awakened by an explosion, and arriving at the bank were met with a fusillade of bullets. The burglars had men at each corner of the bank, but in the meanwhile a fifth man worked at the safe. Nine explosions were required to open the safe. The robbers rode out of town on horseback, firing in all directions as they went.

A posse was quickly organized and is now in pursuit of the bandits, but up to a late hour no trace could be found of the robbers.

DELIVERS MAIL FREE

Letters From New Zealand to Be Admitted.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Postmaster General Cortelyou announced last night that on and after November 1, letters originating in New Zealand and prepaid by postage stamps at the rate of 1 penny or 2 cents for each half ounce will be delivered to addresses in the United States without charge or the collection of additional postage.

This has been done upon the representation of the postmaster general at New Zealand, now prime minister, who strongly urged the concession in the interest of the people of his country who desired to trade with the United States.

It is the expectation that the effect of the recent order will bring the people of New Zealand into closer business relations with the merchants and manufacturers of the United States.

BLOCK BIG TRUST

Government to Watch Beef Packers.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The department of justice is determined to keep in touch with any movement that may be made by the beef packers to effect

a consolidation under a foreign holding company.

The attorney general has directed that letters be sent to the district attorneys in a number of the states, calling their attention to the reported efforts at consolidation and instructing them to investigate matters closely and to keep the department of justice posted as to developments.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, when asked for his view of the proposed organization of a gigantic beef trust with an English charter, said:

"We have a bureau of corporations, whose agents are especially charged with looking into matters of that kind.

"We have a department of justice, whose machinery was designed to be used in just such a case as this.

"We have our own attorneys general to talk to grand juries.

"We have grand juries to listen and to indict.

"We have petit juries.

"And we have penitentiaries."

ARREST ANARCHIST

Distribution of Cards Stopped by the Police.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 23.—Distribution of cards announcing the visit of Alexander Berkman, husband of Emma Goldman, to Cleveland has been put under the ban by the police.

Ben Parino was arrested after he had received repeated warning to discontinue handing out the cards.

Berkman recently was released from the penitentiary after serving 14 years for an attempt on the life of H. C. Frick, the Pittsburg millionaire.

The cards announce that he will deliver two lectures in this city. One address, entitled "Crime and Prisons," will be delivered in Germania hall. A second lecture, "The Road to Happiness," is scheduled to be delivered in Hungaria hall, Clark avenue, Wednesday.

Fire Destroys Iowa Town.

Marshalltown, Iowa, Oct. 23.—Practically all that was left of the business portion of Bristwa, Butler county, was destroyed yesterday by fire. This is the second disaster by fire within a week and is believed to have been incendiary.



WILLIAM ORDWAY PARTRIDGE.

William Ordway Partridge, who is making a statue of Pocahontas for the Jamestown exposition, stands in the front rank of American sculptors. His more notable pieces have been statues of Nathan Hale, Alexander Hamilton, Lincoln and Grant. Mr. Partridge was born in Paris of American parents.

NAMES MANY POLYGAMISTS

Points Out Illegitimate Births in 1906

"Without doubt the most startling and effective campaign document I have yet issued," said H. W. Lockhart, chairman of the Idaho democratic state committee, "is a letter recently addressed to W. E. Borah by Charles Mostyn Owen, Mr. Owen is a prominent citizen of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mr. Borah is the republican candidate for the United States senate in our state against Mr. Dubois. In this letter prominent Idaho politicians are enumerated and specifically charged with polygamy. Their wives' names are given and various other data is furnished, so that Borah can no longer make good on his oft repeated statement that polygamy is a dead issue in Idaho, and that he knows of no polygamists. His offer to prosecute offenders against the Edmunds law also sounds hollow in the face of Mr. Owen's charges."

The letter, in part, follows:
MR. OWEN'S LETTER.

"Salt Lake City, Utah, Oct. 15, 1906.—W. E. Borah, Boise City, Idaho—Sir: Two years ago, in your political tour of Idaho, you challenged any and all to lay information charging polygamy or polygamous cohabitation. At that time I had the honor to submit some 20 informations to you, with a further offer of 100 more when you had convicted the first 20, as you so boldly declared you would. At that time you dodged the issue by declaring that your challenge did not apply to any other than Senator Dubois.

"It would be unfair to the polygamists of Idaho and to yourself did I offer any other name as the chief offender than he who testified in Washington before the senate committee on privileges and elections, that he was the most prominent polygamist in Idaho. I refer, of course, to William Budge, who divides his conjugal attentions impartially and not unsuccessfully between his three wives—Julia, Lizzie, and Ann. That his matrimonial relations have recently taken on the aspect of interstate commerce is also true; but, in spite of that, his impartiality with regard to the two remaining in Idaho is susceptible of proof. Even the district judge is one of the best informed of the witnesses, being one of the many sons of the most prominent Mormon in Idaho.

CASE OF TRIPLE MARRIAGE.

"The next case which we will approach is that of J. U. Stucki, also of Paris, Bear Lake county. This saintly person is, like his more prominent brother, blessed with no less

than three wives—Marguerite, Jane and Clara Spori, the last of whom he cojugated in the fall of 1892. Mr. Stucki is at present in Boise serving on the federal grand jury. Following the able example of your brother in the law, Parley P. Christensen, you might consult with Mr. Stucki and learn from him or his attorney whether he would stand such action on your part without resentment.

"Bishop Amos Wright of Bennington is an excellent subject to test your new adultery law—and it may be that polygamy would be also applicable. If he was a polygamist prior to January 24, 1905, the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints did not know it as would appear from the official list of polygamous officers of that institution filed with the senate committee—see page 404, volume 3 of the proceedings in the Smoot hearing, and with which you, as Apostle Smoot's counsel, must be thoroughly conversant, Bishop Wright's plural wife gave birth to a child in January, 1906.

MARRIED SISTERS.

"E. Lorenzo Burgoyne is a promising subject for your proposed raid on polygamists. He lives at Montpelier, Bear Lake county, with his two wives, who are sisters; and Binnie No. 2, has a child born July, 1906.

"Leaving Bear Lake county for Bingham, I cordially invite your attention to John W. Burton, manager of the Blackfoot Stock company's ranch, north of Soda Springs, where he lives with his two wives, sisters, Ella and Florence. This man married his first wife in 1896. In a county of lonely and dusty roads, where every man you meet is an elder holding the Melchisedek priesthood, with full power to bind parties on earth and elsewhere, the marriage of Brother John W. Burton and sister Florence Potter might have happened anywhere between the ranch and Star valley, Wyoming. She has certainly two children, and his case as certainly merits your attention.

"With stores at Chesterfield and Bancroft and a wife in every store, Ira Call invites your legal attention. He left Utah some years ago in order that he might live his religion more freely and undisturbed. He chose Idaho as a place of safety. Is it going to remain so, Brother Borah?

UNCLE SAM'S PROTEST.

"On Tom's Fork, in Bear Lake county, lives one Gottfried Eschler, with his two Roses, Kunz and Kunzler. The United States postal

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IN GRASP OF GREAT STORM

Sweeps Country From Texas to Minnesota

Chicago, Oct. 23.—One of the worst blizzards ever known so early in the season has almost completely cut off many towns in the Pacific northwest from communication with Chicago and so seriously crippled the service to the others that but the most meager details of the situation are reaching here.

The storm extends as far east as northern Minnesota and south into Texas and New Mexico, where rain and sleet have caused almost as much trouble as the snow farther north.

Salt Lake seems to have suffered more severely than any other point. Here trees were torn up by the roots, small houses blown down and telephone and telegraph communication nearly prostrated.

Loss of human life is reported on the ranges and thousands of head of cattle and sheep are said to have perished.

Denver reports a storm general all along the eastern slopes of the Rockies and from Albuquerque comes news of heavy losses of sheep raisers. In the Texas panhandle and western Kansas the drop in the temperature was so sudden that there was little opportunity to care for cattle and the rangers say their losses will be enormous.

Wyoming, North and South Dakota and Northern Minnesota suffered less from the wind than sections further to the west and north but are mantled with deep snow.

STORM IN WYOMING.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 23.—The blizzard which has been raging throughout the state of Wyoming continues with increasing fury and with a raging wind which promises to be one of the worst of many years.

In southern Wyoming the snow has reached the depth of 10 inches on a level. In the northern parts it is fully 18 inches deep while in the western part about the continental divide, it is from three to six feet deep. Ranchmen were caught with little if any shelter for their stock and there is bound to be a big loss not only of sheep but of cattle and horses as well.

A report from Green River tells of a bunch of dead sheep several feet high, the result of the constant attempt of the outside to work toward the center. Fear is entertained for several parties of hunters and campers who are known to have been caught in the Yellowstone park by the storm which came on so suddenly it gave them no opportunity to seek protection. A Douglas dispatch brings news of a man lost in the storm, and further loss of life is feared.

BLIZZARD IN TEXAS.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 23.—Wind blowing at a velocity of 60 miles an hour is sweeping across the plains country in the Texas panhandle, with blinding sleet and snow. Grass is covered with ice, but cattle are in good condition, and the loss will not be heavy. At Channing a blizzard is raging. In the Dallas territory the temperature has been in the 70s, but at midnight is falling.

TRAINS DELAYED.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 23.—All trains from the west are late today many hours on account of the snow and sleet storms in Colorado. The storms are responsible for a slight wreck on the Burlington near Hemmingford. No one was injured, but traffic was badly delayed.

INLAND TO LEWISTON

Lewiston, Idaho, Oct. 23.—A party of officials of the Inland Empire railroad made a trip overland in automobiles from Moscow to Lewiston yesterday afternoon, ostensibly to inspect the route of the proposed line into this city. It is understood they have been conferring quietly with members of the city council to get an idea of the measure of encouragement Lewiston will offer the road in rights of way and terminal grounds in the city. The party consisted of F. A. Blackwell, vice president and general manager; F. Lewis Clark, second vice president; Mr. Robinson, the engineer who ran the two preliminary lines into Lewiston; A. M. Luffer, chief engineer, and Arthur D. Jones, right of way agent. Mr. Blackwell stated the party had come to inspect preliminary routes and to look over the field with a view to determining the commercial feasibility of bringing the road to Lewiston. He said that after this trip the engineer corps would prepare estimates on costs of the extension, and from these figures his company would decide whether or not it could build to Lewiston from Moscow and make the line pay. He indicated that it would be only a question of cost and grades that would enter into the matter.

When asked if the Inland would make a proposition to the city of Lewiston for rights of way and a depot site, Mr. Blackwell stated that they did not have their route located definitely to make any proposition at this time. The party, however, was in consultation with Mayor Heifield and other prominent residents during the afternoon.

PRIZE PICTURES AWARDED

One to George Read and One to Mrs. S. C. Bonner.

The oil painting by Rev. W. W. Davis, which has been the object of envy among a number of persons for some time, and which has been on exhibition at the store of the Coeur d'Alene Furniture company, the object of those competing in the contest for the liquidation of the debt of the Baptist church, was awarded yesterday to George Read, who raised over \$200 toward the cause.

The second prize which is a beautiful painting of the Sea of Gallile

was won by Mrs. C. S. Bonner, who raised over \$100. The third prize was a painting of Lake Tahoe, which is situated in the heart of the Sierra Madre mountains almost on the line dividing Nevada and California. There were but two contestants, so this picture will not be received by any person, unless they chose to pay a price which the picture deserves.

The debt has been raised and there is still five cents left in the treasury from the proceeds of the contest. This five cents will be used as a nest egg, and it is hoped that from this amount a fortune will be built.

UP TO THE PRESIDENT

Want Roosevelt to Solve Negro Problem.

Cincinnati, Oct. 23.—The negro problem and relief for San Francisco furnished two questions for the Methodist ministers of this section at their weekly meeting yesterday. Assistance of President Roosevelt may be asked by the Cincinnati ministers to solve the negro problem.

Bishop Waldron declared "the nation must consider its relation with the negro as that of a guardian to a ward. The colored man will make a good business man and a good citizen if we only give him a chance."

The other sensation was an address by Rev. Dr. F. M. Larkin of San Francisco, in which he made a bitter attack on the Methodists of Ohio for the small amount of money they had contributed to the stricken Methodists of San Francisco.

BOY IS LOST

Returns Home, but One of the Searchers Is Gone.

Poestello, Idaho, Oct. 23.—Louis Whitman, the 16 year old son of a prominent minister of this city, became lost in the sage brush on the prairie north of town last night while out riding. Search parties were organized and spread over the country in every direction. This afternoon the young man returned home after spending the night in an abandoned shack on the Indian reservation, and suffering severely from the cold. One of the searchers is now lost, and other parties have been sent out.