

## W. C. T. U. GIRL TO MARRY

### Bad Man Whom She Arrested and Jailed.

#### HE ADMIRER HER COOL COURAGE

She Became Interested in the Prisoner and Friendship Ripened Into Love.

There's no telling what a woman will do in choosing a husband, and this is illustrated in an event that recently took place in Culbertson, Mont., where Miss Edith O'Mara, a young woman who is a prominent member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and a church member of that place, arrested "Red" Cutcheon and John Morley, two bad men, who came drunk into the town, and terrorized all the male inhabitants with their pistol practice. After landing the desperadoes in jail, Miss O'Mara immediately fell violently in love with Cutcheon and promised to marry him. On his part, Cutcheon has agreed to stop drinking liquor. The whole town is watching the end of the queer courtship with unabated interest.

"Red" Cutcheon and John Morley are cowboys of a strenuous type, and every few weeks they had in the habit of coming in from the ranch where they are employed and "shooting up" the town of Culbertson. They succeeded in scaring the police and all the other town officials, but in Miss O'Mara they found their match. The young woman was walking along the street in the evening, when the two men rode into the town and began to shoot out lights, whooping like Indians on a raid. Miss O'Mara was the only resident of the town who did not run for shelter. As the men came dashing up she accosted them politely, and then she suddenly drew

a pistol from the folds of her dress. The muzzle was first pointed at one and then the other with such rapidity that the two desperadoes failed to see any joke in it.

"Drop your revolvers, and drop them at once!" commanded the girl. The two men allowed their revolvers to fall to the ground. The weapons were picked up by the girl, who then marched her prisoners to the jail and turned them over to the marshal.

"Some one just had to arrest those horrid men," said Miss O'Mara, after the prisoners were behind the bars, "and as long as the male residents of this place were afraid of them, it seemed to be up to a woman to place them where they belonged."

Then like a true daughter of Eve, Miss O'Mara began to pity her prisoners, especially Cutcheon, and pity, a poet says, is akin to love. She was heard to remark that "Red" Cutcheon was not such a bad-looking fellow after all when he was sober and washed up. She talked long and earnestly with him in his cell about his salvation.

"Why don't you brace up and be a man?" she asked.

"Because no good-looking young woman like you ever asked me," said Bad Man Cutcheon, who, now that he was sober began to see which side of his bread was buttered. Then he is credited with being a shrewd man. He swore he loved her and promised that he would never touch another drop of liquor if she would be his wife. She cried a bit, and then consented to marry him. So, when "Red" Cutcheon was arraigned in court and fined \$25 charged with shooting his revolver inside the city limits, his fine was paid. After a fond temporary parting with his newly-found sweetheart, he went to the ranch where he is employed, strangely quiet, and the manager was so tickled when he heard of the strange adventure that he made Cutcheon foreman of the ranch. Now, the most of the other cowboys want to get drunk, ride into Culbertson, and be arrested at the hands of the first pretty girl they meet.

In telling of her engagement, Miss O'Mara said: "As long as I arrested Mr. Cutcheon," she said, "it is but fair that I make amends in some way—and so we are to be married before long, the last of July, to be exact."

"In his letter of application he claimed to be a man of regular habits." "Well?" "Well, the very first time I saw him he was drunk." "Well, you never saw him sober, did you?"

## A GREAT RALLY OF BAPTISTS

Now Being Held at Atlanta, Georgia.  
—The Thirteenth International Convention.

**GREAT RALLY OF BAPTISTS.**  
Atlanta, Ga., July 9.—With a season of praise and prayer, participated in by nearly ten thousand men and women, the thirteenth international convention of the Baptist Young People's union of America opened today. The rally took place in the Piedmont park auditorium, which was decorated with the flags and banners of the various societies. The attendance was representative of every section of the country and the provinces of Canada, and most of the leading divines of the denomination and laymen and laywomen of national reputation were recognized upon the platform and through the audience. The Baptists of the city were out in force, and so thoroughly had the local committees performed their tasks that the preliminaries and program moved like clock-work. National President John H. Chapman of Chicago called the immense gathering to order. He emphasized the fact that the international convention is not a mere holiday excursion but rather designed for spiritual quickening and to inspiration to effective service for the Creator. He analyzed the object of the organization, "to secure the increased spirituality of Baptist young people; their stimulation in Christian service; their edification in scripture knowledge; their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history; and their enlistment in all missionary activity through existing denominational organizations." Prolonged applause greeted the presentation of Governor Torrell, who offered a welcome in behalf of the state of Georgia and not less cordial were the receptions given Mayor Howell, who spoke for the citizens of Atlanta, and to former Governor Northern, as representative of the Baptists of Georgia.

In accordance with a standing rule, President Chapman announced his appointment of committees. Then an hour was given up to religious thought, with brief addresses by leading Baptist divines. At the afternoon sessions reports of the board of managers and of various officers

showed that the organization had made great progress during the year and that its finances were in good condition. Tonight President Chapman will deliver his annual address and there will be greetings from the Dominion Baptists and from members of the denomination representing the various sections of the United States.

#### JUDGE RYAN APPOINTED.

The Alaskan Commissioner to the World's Fair.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Hitchcock has designated Assistant Secretary Ryan of the interior department, as Alaskan commissioner to the St. Louis Exposition.

In making this selection, Secretary Hitchcock has ignored the recommendations of prominent Alaskans who want a resident of the territory to have charge of the Alaska exhibit. It is said that the secretary's reason for his action is because so many conflicting interests were pressing for recognition that he thought it best to select some one not identified with any faction and his choice fell on Mr. Ryan.

In a few days Mr. Ryan will communicate with Governor Brady and suggest a plan for gathering the exhibit. The government has only \$25,000 at its disposal for the Alaska exhibit and Ryan believes that most of this sum can be expended on a building. His plan is that a commission be appointed with the governor as chairman, ex-officio, and the mayors of towns and cities as members.

#### Expenses of Exhibit.

He wants Alaskans themselves to furnish the exhibit and deliver it at the exposition grounds, meeting all expenses themselves. The interior department will install the exhibit and take charge of it during the exposition.

Judge Ryan says that if some plan like this to relieve government of expenses is not adopted, the money available will provide a very poor exhibit when, as a matter of interest, it is desirable to have the Alaskan exhibit one of the best of the whole exposition.

As soon as he can get in touch with the people of Alaska, Judge Ryan will arrange to meet a committee of Alaskans at Seattle to complete the details. He wants to hold this meeting early in August so everything will be well under way before the season closes in the north.

One thing Judge Ryan wants understood is that no unnecessary expenses will be approved. This applies to junkets at government expense and

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## UNUSUALLY COOL

Week Just Passed Was of  
Benefit to Crops.

### TEMPERATURE BELOW NORMAL

Heavy Showers in Western Counties  
Does Considerable Damage to  
the Hay Crop.

According to the government climate and crop bulletin the week ending July 7 was throughout, one of unusually cool weather for the time of year, and one of frequent showers. The mean temperature of the week was from four to six degrees below normal. In the division of the state west of the Cascade mountains, the showers were heavy, and the total precipitation averaged about nine-tenths of an inch. In the eastern division the showers were frequent and copious in Spokane, Whitman, Columbia, Garfield and Walla Walla counties. In Lincoln, Adams, Franklin and Klickitat counties the showers were light, but nevertheless of much benefit, while in Douglas and other central counties the showers were infrequent and so light as to be of no material benefit.

In the western counties the precipitation, although beneficial to most crops, was more than was needed, and damaged clover and grass by lodging them, as well as delaying cutting. The long and heavy rains in some localities caused cherries to crack badly, and much of the crop is rotting on the trees. The effect on hops was unfavorable, causing increase of vermin. Sunshine is needed. Oats, potatoes, garden truck and root crops were much benefited. A good oat crop seems assured, and potatoes are in general bloom. In the bottom lands it is now a trifle too wet. Next week haying will be general if the weather is favorable. The crop will be heavy, but much clover will be spoiled if not cut soon.

In the eastern tier of counties cloudy weather and copious showers have been very beneficial to wheat. This is the filling time for winter wheat. It is filling well, and is now considered safe. Spring wheat has improved even more than winter wheat, and if favorable weather continues it will be beyond danger of injury by hot winds in about two or three weeks. Barley, although a short crop this year, looks well in the vicinity of Dayton, and also Starbuck. It is now beginning to turn. In the irrigated districts there is plenty of water. The alfalfa crop is above the average, and a large fruit crop is anticipated.

**Walla Walla Country.**—Walla Walla.—Cloudy weather and showers have been beneficial to wheat and all vegetation, especially to spring sown grain. Mayview—Showers and cool weather making grain fill well. Dayton—Good growing week. Alfalfa haying well along. Grain looks well. **Paigou Country.**—Albion—Cool and cloudy. All crops doing well. Ritzville—No rain during June, yet wheat looks better than it did a month ago. Endicott—Cool, showery weather,

very beneficial to crops. Fall wheat considered safe now, with a fair yield. Colfax—Favorable weather has improved all crops of grain and vegetables. Fruit of all kinds showing well. Farmington—Copious rains have materially benefited all kinds of crops. Fallon—Fall wheat heading out; will make about three-fourths of an average yield. Spring wheat short and very foul with wild oats. Oats looking well but short. Tekoa—The weather has been favorable for all crops except corn, which has been affected by the cool nights. Pullman—Weather conditions favorable for growing crops. Spring wheat doing better than winter wheat. Staley—Cloudy, with light showers. More moisture needed. Spring sown grain being plowed up in some places.

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LOSES CONTROL OF THE N. P.  
But Harriman Can Not Take It—  
Wants a New Merger.

New York.—James J. Hill interests conceded that they have lost control of the Northern Pacific railway company if the supreme court affirms the recent decision of the United States circuit court of appeals and compels the Northern Securities deal to be dissolved.

But the Harriman people would not have control either, since neither side would get the same amount of Northern Pacific stock it had before the merger. So many changes in ownership of stock have occurred that it would be impossible to restore to each Northern Securities holder his proportionate share of Northern Pacific and Great Northern stock. Thus Mr. Hill would lose control of the Great Northern also.

Mr. Hill had a fight with Mr. Harriman at the time the merger was pending, Harriman insisting on receiving the full amount of Northern Pacific common stock which the Union Pacific was entitled to receive for preferred stock. Mr. Hill was then afraid that Mr. Harriman would balk and refuse to complete the deal if once allowed to have in his hands a majority of the Northern Pacific common. The fight was finally compromised by Mr. Hill turning over Northern Securities shares to Mr. Harriman.

A curious thing is that Mr. Harriman is not now anxious to get back his majority of Northern Pacific stock in case the supreme court kills the merger, and is not fighting Hill but wants to change the form of the Northern Securities company so that it will be legal. The reason for this position, as Mr. Hill said recently, is that the Union Pacific could not legally hold stock of the Northern Pacific, which is a parallel road, not even through the Oregon Short Line. Hence the Union Pacific would have to dispose of this enormous block of Northern Pacific stock, amounting to 78,000,000, and grave doubts are entertained how this could be done without great loss. Various difficulties might arise which would embarrass the Union Pacific if it had to take back its Northern Pacific stock. The Union Pacific received about \$9,000,000 cash in the merger deal, which would have to be repaid.

It is plain, therefore, that Harriman wants to keep the merger together, not to get the Northern Pacific again, and is trying hard to devise a way to do this.

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