

# PRICE OF \$64,000 ON ROBBERS' HEADS

Fortune In Their Capture If Same Gang Is Holding Up Great Northern Trains.

A total price of \$64,000 is believed to be on the heads of four train robbers responsible for the injury of 12 persons, among whom are Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Wilson, 8312 Adams street, Spokane; B. H. Harmon, 1112 Sprague avenue, Spokane, and Kiri Riedelsberger, 1420 Third avenue, Spokane.

They were injured about midnight Saturday, as the result of a collision between the passenger coaches with the engine and mail car of Great Northern train No. 3, about 20 minutes after the train had been held up by four men.

As perfectly cool as though performing some well planned piece of everyday work, four men, all masked and with an imposing array of artillery, clambered into the engine cab, shortly before the train pulled into Colbert, 12 miles from Spokane. They remained on the train while some switching was done at this point, and then took entire possession, compelling the engineer and fireman to disconnect the engine and mail car.

The mail clerk was driven from the car and with the engine crew was chased back to the train, while the four bandits steamed away with the mail.

At a point half way between Colbert and Mead the registered mail was rifled and with the throttle open and the engine's lever reversed, both engine and car were sent with open brakes back down the hill at a rapid rate to the string of coaches standing dead on the tracks.

Ties were thrown across the track by the train crew in a vain effort to ditch the mail car and avert a collision. Passengers were thrown forward upon the seats, windows were broken, lamps demolished and water tanks burst by the terrible jolt.

Sam Nyberg of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, lies in the Sacred Heart hospital, painfully injured as a result and aside from the Spokane citizens already mentioned, L. Winans, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. H. A. Rice, Elk, Wash.; Gustine Tolasco, a laborer from Montana; Thomas R. Hayes, Wallaceburg, Ont.; Mabel Bodini, Colfax, Wash., and D. B. Sullivan, Columbia Falls, Mont., are suffering various injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who were thrown over seats immediately in front of them, are perhaps worst hurt. Mr. Wilson sustained two fractured ribs and his wife's back was painfully wrenched. The others are in hotels about the city or are on their journeys again.

Two of the robbers are believed by the police and Great Northern

and Northern Pacific officials to be the same who held up Northern Pacific train No. 3 a few miles east of Spokane two weeks ago and the Great Northern train near Trent last November. A report that McDonald, the noted train robber and partner of Ed Frankhouser, now doing a life sentence for the Great Northern train robbery at Rondo Siding, Mont., two years ago, was implicated in Saturday night's job is discredited by the local officials.

Should these men be caught and two of them prove to be the ones who perpetrated the other two holdups, a total reward of \$64,000 will be paid jointly by the government, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific for their capture. Postal authorities say they got but little money Saturday night.

The Great Northern offers \$10,000 reward for each of the four men and the government \$1000 each. The balance is on the two previous robberies and would be included if the perpetrators of the last were proved guilty of the former crimes.

A soldier named Williams, age about 35 years, who is declared by his friends to answer the description of the taller of the four train robbers who held up the Great Northern train east of the city Saturday night, is missing and the authorities are looking for him. Williams is declared by his acquaintances to have been a sort of harum scarum fellow, with a great love of excitement and adventure.

He did service in the United States army during the Spanish-American war and came to Spokane but a short time ago. He is said to have discussed the recent Northern Pacific holdup with some of his friends and laughed at the robbers' trouble for the little loot they secured, declaring they must have been boys.

The tall man in the train robbery Saturday night is described as six feet tall, slender, dark hair and smooth shaven. He wore a white slouch hat with small brim, dark coat and trousers, was 35 or 40 years of age, face wrinkled, and weighed about 190 pounds. Another one of the robbers is described as weighing about 160 or 170 pounds, dark complexion, black slouch hat split up back, black coat, with light checkered trousers and heavy tanned shoes. He ran the engine.

No clues to the robbers are reported today and if the sheriff's office and railroad sleuths are accomplishing anything it is being kept quiet. It is surmised that the robbers are hiding in Spokane.

The litigation raised over the Rondo Siding robbery two years ago, when the railroad company offered a big reward, which it has not yet paid, may have something to do with the apathy displayed, although the sheriff's office states that the fact of a reward being offered does not affect their interest in the case one way or the other.

## CLAIMS JURY TRIED CASE OUT OF COURT

Otto Pahl, convicted of shooting his brother, has filed a motion for a new trial in which he alleges that the jury received evidence outside the court room which influenced the verdict against him, and that the reception of such evidence by the jury was irregular. It is held that the court erred in not granting a continuance after the defense found itself unable to secure its witness, Charles Seeman.

## HARRIMAN HELD THEM UP

(By United Press) SALEM, May 17.—California commission merchants transacting business in Oregon filed a complaint with the railroad commission here today charging the O. R. & N. company with discriminating against shipments received at Portland by opposition steamship lines from San Francisco. To get lower rates San Francisco merchants are giving their trade to ships competing with Harriman. As punishment, it is charged, Harriman railroads in Oregon delay moving such freight for weeks at a time.

## LAWYER'S FOUR YEARS FIGHT FOR LIBERTY LOST

(By United Press) WASHINGTON, May 17.—After fighting four years for liberty, carrying his case through every court available in the United States, George D. Collins, San Francisco lawyer, who was convicted of perjury in connection with a marriage, today lost his appeal to the United States supreme court. He must serve 14 years in San Quentin penitentiary. California, unless granted a rehearing.

Collins' fight against the prison term has been waged from Canada to California, and from the Pacific to the Atlantic. For three years he was in the county jail at San Francisco. The decision today was upon two appeals. He got his case into the supreme court through two separate channels. Collins says he has not given up hope of winning freedom. He has other plans, which he refuses to reveal.

## DOOMED HIMSELF TO LIVING DEATH

(By United Press) SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Hopelessly blind as the result of a bullet fired into his brain with suicidal intent three weeks ago, Eugene Moore, son of a wealthy capitalist of Plainsfield, N. J., will leave for home with his brother tomorrow. He will probably enter a sanitarium to spend the remainder of his days. Surgeons in removing the bullet discovered that the optic nerves were severed and that Moore would never again see the light.

## HAINS SENT TO PENITENTIARY

JUDGE DENOUNCES UNWRITTEN LAW PLEA IN SCATHING TERMS AND GIVES ANNIS' SLAYER FROM EIGHT TO 16 YEARS.

(By United Press) FLUSHING, N. Y., May 17.—Captain Hains this morning was sentenced to from eight to 16 years in the penitentiary for killing William Annis, who won his wife's affections.

Hains was apparently the least concerned of any person in the courtroom. He sank heavily in his chair, but in no other way showed dissatisfaction.

Judge Garretson delivered one of the most scathing arraignments of the unwritten law ever heard in a courtroom. He refused to take into consideration Attorney Young's plea for clemency, although it was unopposed by the prosecution. It is expected the defense will apply for a writ of reasonable doubt and then carry the sentence of conviction for manslaughter to the higher court.

## PAINTS CALHOUN AS A MARTYR

(By United Press) SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—The business relations of Calhoun and Rudolph Spreckels, particularly as relating to the franchise war between them following attempt of Spreckels and his assistants to invade territory of the United railroads, called forth a eulogy of the railroad interests by the defense in the Calhoun trial today.

Charles Wheeler, Spreckels' attorney was called to the stand. To show the public spiritiveness of his corporation, the defense's attorney, Earl Rogers, insisted that the witness tell the sum expended by the trolley company in rehabilitating the city. The defendant's attitude toward the city, Rogers said, was illustrated in generous donations to the relief committee following the earthquake.

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## COMMISSIONERS YIELD \$3,500

After numerous requests the county commissioners have at last granted the Spokane county exhibit at the Seattle fair an additional appropriation of \$3500. The committee in charge of the exhibit wanted \$6000 and said that the display, after the investment of \$26,500, might suffer unless more money was given to bear the expense of caring for it.

With that much of the county's money in the show, the commissioners felt that it would be a poor investment to allow it to fall for want of additional funds and permitted the extra appropriation to go through.

## SAVE \$576 ON ONE CONTRACT

Just \$576 has been saved by the county commissioners on one contract alone—that of the fuel supply for the court house for the coming year. A contract has just been awarded for 600 cords of pine wood at \$3.99 per cord, while the same last year cost \$4.95 per cord.

## GETTING ABOUT THAT TIME



## RAIN WILL CHECK THE SCARLET FEVER

HEALTH OFFICE FORCE WILL GET BUSY ABOUT CLEANING FOURTH WARD—SEWERS ARE NEEDED THERE.

The rain of last night will help the scarlet fever situation, according to a statement made by Health Officer Grieve today. Several new cases of the fever have already been reported today and with the new force of assistants for the health department the fight against the spread of contagion is going on with renewed vigor.

Complaints are coming in from all over the city because of unsanitary conditions in various communities. The Fourth ward will be closely inspected and ordered cleaned up tomorrow. Especial interest is to be paid

to the neighborhood of College and Maple, where it is said that only about half of the property owners have sewer connections to their houses. Lack of sewers is a big drawback in this ward. In the same district there are said to be about 100 loads of manure piled about. Some of it has been there for nearly a year. Another huge pile is reported in the alley behind the Hawthorne school. It is adjacent to the children's playground and a couple of hundred children are in danger of contracting disease as the result of it.

The health officers are doing all they can to induce people to keep their dogs and cats from running about the streets. Sewer connections will be ordered in every locality provided with a sewer.

## TOWNSHIPS SHY OF CASH

ROAD FUND DWINDLES AND MEETING IS CALLED TO CONSIDER THIS AND GRAND JURY MATTERS MAY 29.

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To plan measures for meeting this emergency and also to discuss action on bringing county affairs before the grand jury, the club has called a meeting in the Spokane courthouse, May 29, at 10 a. m.

Secretary J. F. Hunold, whose address is R. F. D. No. 8, Spokane, Wash., is ending out personal requests for the organization of township clubs in townships where they are not now organized, sending him the names and addresses of each secretary in order that the clubs may reap the benefits commanded by the main organization in buying supplies and securing information. He requests that those not having sent in blanks with officers' names please do so at once, as it is necessary for him to have them in order to secure effective action throughout the county.

## MAKE CORPORATIONS PAY THEIR SHARE

(By United Press) WASHINGTON, May 17.—The first installment of the results of the bureau of corporations' inquiry into state taxation of manufactur-

## PROFANITY NOT GOOD PROOF

CHIEF DEPUTY ASSESSOR MAKES BAD BREAK AT PRESIDENT OF SPOKANE COUNTY TOWNSHIP CLUB.

"You're a d— liar," shouted Chief Deputy County Assessor Whitmore at R. B. Martin, president of the Spokane County Township club, today in the corridor of the courthouse. Martin at the time was standing with the committee of farmers who had come to town to see what could be done in the matter of investigating the assessor's office along with other officers that might need it by the grand jury when it reconvenes.

Whitmore applied the epithet in answer to a statement by Martin that certain land at Opportunity owned by the Modern Irrigation Co. was assessed at \$35 per acre while similar lands owned by farmers are assessed at \$100 per acre.

Some of the farmers in the crowd thought Martin should have replied to Whitmore with a blow, but Martin, who preaches the gospel as well as following the plow, did not see anything to be gained by striking Whitmore and permitted the remark to pass with a challenge to Whitmore to show that Martin's statement as to taxation at Opportunity was not true. Whitmore asked the men to go to his office, which they did, but examination of the records failed to break down the accuracy of Martin's charge.

Assessor Galbraith and his chief deputy, Whitmore, have had but little love for Martin since he went to Olympia last winter to fight the efforts of the assessors to nullify the township law.

## OREGON DESPERADO IS A GREAT DODGER

(By United Press) EUGENE, Ore., May 17.—Sheriff Harry Brown made a fresh start from here north this morning, searching for the desperado who shot at Mrs. William Renshaw and killed her horse on the road near Eugene three days ago. The holdup has eluded posses ever since. A posse had the man surrounded in a thicket near Drain Saturday night, but he escaped, displaying remarkable skill in dodging posses. Farmers are nervous, because they do not know at what time they may be attacked. Posses have already covered 42 miles.

## DEADLY DUEL IN MEXICO

(By United Press) COLIMA, Mexico, May 17.—A fight here last night resulted in the death of two Mexicans and probably death of two guards.

## GOVERNOR IS LOADED

(By United Press) OLYMPIA, May 17.—If the report of the legislative committee shows State Insurance Commissioner Schively guilty of irregular conduct in his office, but that it cannot be reached under the law, Governor Hay, it is believed here today, will call a special session of the legislature to take up the question of impeachment proceedings. It is intimated that the governor, anticipating such a report of the committee, has the call for a session ready.

## ROYALTY PATS CARNEGIE.

ROME, May 17.—The king and queen of Italy today received Carnegie and wife and daughter at court. The king praised Carnegie for his gifts to the cause of education.

## JOSHED HER TO SUICIDE

(By United Press) SEATTLE, May 17.—Herbert O. Eames, of Tacoma, who entered a suicide pact with Mrs. Grace Burke, formerly a Portland girl, which was fulfilled by her at the Hotel Cecil Saturday afternoon, will probably be prosecuted under the state law and may be charged with manslaughter.

It is the aim of Prosecuting Attorney Vandever to prove that in furnishing the gun used by the woman and in purchasing poison, Eames aided her in self destruction.

Eames is held in the city jail in solitary confinement. The police think Eames did out take poison but that his part was all "bluff."

Eames says he was just joshing the woman about the pact.

## FARMERS ASK GRAND JURY PROBE AT COURT HOUSE

Representatives of three different organizations of farmers met at the court house with Prescouter Pugh today noon to confer as to the question of having the grand jury make an investigation of county affairs.

Representing the Spokane County Township club were R. B. Martin of Opportunity, president; E. C. Bratt of Buckeye township, vice president, and Henry Treed of Fairfield. P. Reilly of Spangle appeared for the Farmers' Cooperative union, and O. B. Gilstrap was on hand to represent the State Grange.

They are demanding that a thorough ventilation be given the manner in which the county business has been conducted in the past, and point to the assessor's office and its manner of making allowances for overtime and extra deputies, the expense accounts of the county commissioners and the bills of Dr. Morrison, county health officer, as good material to start with. When these things have been sifted the gentlemen from the farmers' clubs think that a few other things in connection with county affairs can be brought to light as needing investigation.

The grand jury will reconvene on May 24 and by some it is said, whether through direct information or otherwise it cannot be learned, that the grand jurors are not averse to going into county affairs.

## WOMAN SAVES HORSES WHILE MEN LOOK ON

While men stood afraid to enter the burning building, brave little Mrs. Krystoff, of E411 Pacific avenue, saved the lives of no less than eight horses when the Express stables burned to the ground at the corner of Pacific and Grant Saturday night.

The barn was filled with hay and within a few minutes after the fire was discovered the building was completely enveloped in flames. Again and again Mrs. Krystoff braved the fire and smoke to lead a trembling and frightened horse to safety.

Just as she rescued the eighth and last horse the fire department arrived and she narrowly escaped being run down. Besides the barn, one house was totally destroyed and two others badly scorched.

## SON SHOTS FATHER TO AVENGE MOTHER

(By United Press) ST. LOUIS, May 17.—August Pooos, jeweler, was shot and killed by his son, Edward, age 19, today when Pooos accused his wife of unfaithfulness. Despite a fatal wound Pooos pursued his wife and shot her. It is very likely she will die.

## DR. ROARK LEAVES EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

Dr. Burhead Roark, who has been superintendent of the city's emergency hospital ever since that institution was founded, about two years ago, has resigned and Dr. John O'Shea of the Reekery building will succeed him. Dr. Roark resigned his position because of its

## CLEIN ON TRIAL FOR LIFE

Paul Clein, slightly flushed but cool and keenly alive to the proceedings, was placed on trial this morning in the superior court before Judge Webster on a charge of murder in the first degree. The information charges that on or about March 1 he killed John Saudawahl, whose real name is set forth as being unknown. The selection of a jury will not be completed today. At the close of the morning session the following four veniremen had been selected:

W. M. Hill, E1017 Broadway; John Ledger, E3324 Emerald; L. E. Freeman, 1920 Fourth; T. J. Thorndson, E304 Pacific. W. J. Carrol, E1403 Sprague avenue, was under examination when the court adjourned for the noon recess.

The first step in the case was the presentation of the names of some six new witnesses found by the state in the last few days.

Prosecutor Pugh and Deputy Prosecutor Donovan, who has had charge of the case from the beginning, are appearing for the state. Alex Winston and V. T. Tustin are looking after the interests of Clein.

Among the jurors in the box at the noon recess was William Bass, a colored man, one of the few colored men to be called for jury service in a long time. May Randall and Mrs. Ida Douglas, both sweethearts of Clein, were present as witnesses today.

## TAFT CELEBRATES IN THE SOUTH

(By United Press) WASHINGTON, May 17.—Taft tomorrow night will depart for Petersburg, Va., to unveil the Fort Malone monument. He will then go to Charlottesville, N. C., to assist in the celebration of the anniversary of the Mecklenburg declaration of independence.

## YOUNG TURKS KEEP BUSY WITH ROPE

(By United Press) CONSTANTINOPLE, May 17.—Five participants in the recent mutiny, which resulted in the temporary overthrow of the constitution and ultimately in the deposition of Abdul Hamid, were hanged today. Two army officers and three guardsmen were hanged in the presence of a big crowd.