

W. S. Newport Holdup Victim

HE HAS GUN POKED INTO HIS SIDE

Robbers Got Nothing for Their Trouble. Suspects Arrested but not Identified

St. Maries had a genuine hold-up Wednesday evening. The victim was W. S. Newport, an employee of the Washington Water Power company. He was passing along Main street at about 10:45 that evening and just west of the post office met two men, one tall and the other short. As he approached them they separated, one going on each side of him, and as he passed they pulled guns and ordered him to put up his hands.

The tall man emphasized his remarks by punching Newport in the ribs with the revolver and he promptly complied with the request. While the tall man kept his revolver in close proximity to Newport's ribs the shorter man passed behind him and proceeded to go through his pockets.

He pulled out Newport's watch and after listening to it tick for a moment he remarked that they did not want it and put it back. After searching Newport's pockets and finding nothing they asked him where his money was. He informed them that he had only a nickel in one pocket and a dime in another. This was too small an amount to bother with and they ordered him to move on and not to stop and look back, an order which he gladly complied with.

He went on up to the Bungalow Theatre where he gave the alarm. Both Chief of Police Steele and Officer Booth responded. He could not give much of a description of the men except that one was tall and the other short and one wore a cap. He thought that they wore masks but could not be sure. The officers made a thorough search around the railroad yards and the outgoing trains but found no one that answered the description.

The police rounded up four suspicious characters Thursday, whom they thought might have been connected with the holdup. Two of them answered the meager description which was given but Mr. Newport was unable to positively identify them and they were permitted to go.

John Skelton is Home From East

John Skelton returned Wednesday morning from Arkansas, where he has been spending the past several months for his health. When he left here last fall it was with the intention of visiting his mother in Arkansas and then going to Mexico City for treatment but upon arriving at his old home he decided to give Eureka Springs a trial and received so much benefit that he remained there.

His health has greatly improved since he left, in fact he does not look like the same man that he was when he left and both he and his friends are in hopes that the improvement will be permanent.

Elim Tift Dies After Short Illness

Elim Tift died at his home in this city Monday after an illness of ten days. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the family residence, Rev. A. Monroe, pastor of the Methodist

church, officiating.

Mr. Tift was born in Michigan, September 3, 1862. He was united in marriage to Margaret Wilder in 1884 and after living in Michigan for a number of years moved to Dover, Tennessee where they resided for thirteen years, when they moved to the northwest. They have lived in St. Maries only a short time.

He is survived by his wife and nine children, five of whom live at home, who are left to mourn a good husband and father. Mr. Tift early in life united with the church and in his last illness his faith in God was unshaken. His testimony would be well expressed in the lines:

"To Him I yield my Spirit;
On Him I lay my load;
Fear ends with death. Beyond it
I nothing see but God."

Miss Vera Fuller Entertains Friends

Miss Vera Fuller was hostess this week to a large circle of friends at two delightful informal social gatherings at her home on College avenue.

On Tuesday evening Miss Fuller entertained at progressive five hundred at three tables, the prizes being awarded to Miss Gregory and Miss Nesbitt. At the close of the evening a delicious luncheon was served, after which the guests were favored with several vocal solos by Miss Verna Lyon. Those present were Misses Wynne, Opperman, Youngs, Nesbitt, Hofstetter, Rawls, Lyon, Gregory, Peterson, Cronquist and Blanche and Anna Nicholson.

On Wednesday evening cards and music were again the diversions and at the close a dainty luncheon was served. The prizes were won by Miss Kleiber and Miss Porter. At a late hour the party broke up, all having spent a very pleasant evening. The guests were Misses Dever, Porter, Weigman, Kleiber, Reid, Mel-drum, Lewis, Keating, Bulman, Jansen, Gerhart and Leila and Lola Clifford.

Lumber Company Appeals Case

An appeal to the supreme court has been taken in the case of C. J. Kinsolving against the Milwaukee Lumber company. The case was tried at the last term of the district court and Kinsolving obtained judgment for \$12000 and interest for some timber which he claimed to have sold the company and for which they refused to pay as the title was in litigation. E. N. LaVeine is attorney for the lumber company and R. B. Norris represents Kinsolving.

Back From California Visit

Leon Demers, president of the First National Bank, and Mrs. Demers returned Tuesday evening from Los Angeles, where they spent the last two months. Mr. Demers says that the weather there was very disagreeable until about two weeks ago on account of the great amount of rain. He says that business is much quieter there than a year ago.

FISHERMAN'S REST.



—Harding in Brooklyn Eagle.

Prepare District Court Calendar

TWENTY-EIGHT CASES FOR TRIAL

Only Two Bootlegging Case This Term. Contemnation Case the Most Important

The spring term of the district court for this county will be held in this city starting one week from next Monday, Judge R. N. Dunn of Coeur d'Alene presiding. The calendar, which is somewhat larger than the last one, is in the hands of the printer now.

There are twenty-eight cases on the calendar of which six are criminal actions. There are eleven cases on the civil law calendar, all but one of which are pending on demurrers. Of the criminal cases, two are for bootlegging, which is the smallest number of bootlegging cases on the calendar since the county went dry.

There are two burglary cases and one case of receiving stolen goods. The most important of these is the one in which Mickie Lynch and three others are charged with breaking into the commissary at Blackwell's camp near Fernwood and stealing a large amount of merchandise. The case for receiving stolen goods is that of the State vs. George Hull. Hull is the man on whose information Lynch and his three companions were arrested. Hull has since become insane and is now in the Orofino insane asylum.

The other burglary case is that against Walter Kay, the boy who was arrested, charged with breaking into Mrs. Ed Lecoulter's house and stealing ten dollars.

Another important case which will come up for trial is that of the State vs. Charles W. Saltz, who is charged with assault with intent to commit murder. Saltz is the man who, it is alleged, shot Paul Wheatley near Sorrento a short time ago. The men had trouble over a hen which Saltz had filed on Wheatley's logs and during the quarrel it is charged that Saltz shot at Wheatley and slightly wounded him in the head. Saltz denies the shooting, saying that he struck Wheatley.

Among the important cases on the civil law calendar are the

damage suits of Lashbrook and Ajdukovic against the city. These cases have been up at the last two terms of court and are again pending on a demurrer to the amended complaint. Another case of considerable local interest is that of Albert H. Ferrell against Chief of Police William Steele for damages for false imprisonment. This is pending on demurrer to amended complaint.

Probably the most important of the cases on the civil calendar and those which will take up the most of the time of the court are those of the Tyson Creek Railway company vs. The Empire Mill company and the Tyson Creek Railway company vs. William Connolly. These cases, which are identical, grew out of the attempt of the Tyson Creek Railway company to secure a right-of-way for a logging railroad across the land where the Connollys are opening up a placer mine near Tyson.

These cases were continued from the fall term of court because of the illness of both of the attorneys for the Connolly, C. L. Heitman and C. W. B... The other civil jury cases are of less importance and will take a comparatively short time to try and it is thought that the jury term will not be a long one.

Receives Notice of Father's Death

M. J. Spiesman received a telegram Wednesday informing him of the death of his father, M. J. Spiesman, Sr., which occurred that morning at his home in Titusville, Pa. Mr. Spiesman was nearly eighty years of age and his death was due to old age and a general break-down. The distance being so great it was impossible for the relatives here to reach there in time for the funeral.

Delaney Resigns As County Jailer

HAS MADE AN EXCELLENT OFFICER

S. S. Boutin Appointed to fill Vacancy. Position is No Sinecure

David Delaney has resigned his position as jailor and deputy sheriff and has gone back to his ranch at Santa. He handed in his resignation February 23, to take effect March 1st, but consented to remain for a few days longer to give Sheriff Leaf time to name a successor to him.

He has held the position since the establishment of the county, over a year ago, and has been a very efficient officer. It will be hard to find anyone who will fill the position as satisfactorily as Mr. Delaney has.

Sheriff Leaf has named S. S. Boutin as jailor to take Mr. Delaney's place and he assumed the duties of the office last evening. The place is no sinecure, as the jailor has charge of the inmates of the jail and has to be on duty at all times, sleeping at the jail.

walk. A new front has been put in which will be painted white and will add greatly to the appearance of the building. A new ventilating system is also being installed which will make the temperature of the building uniform throughout and will add greatly to the comfort of the patrons, especially during the summer.

Painters and paper-hangers are at work repainting and re-papering the interior of the building which will add materially to its appearance. Mr. Potter is determined to make the Ideal the most popular playhouse in the city and with the improvements which he is making and the high class of pictures which he is showing, seems to be in a fair way to succeed in his plans.

Increase Reward For Fred Clancy

The board of county commissioners, at its meeting last week, increased the reward which it will pay for the apprehension of Fred Clancy, wanted for the suspected murder of Oscar Olson. At a previous meeting the commissioners had offered a reward of two hundred dollars for his arrest. They have now increased the amount to five hundred dollars.

This, with the five hundred dollars reward offered by the relatives of Olson, makes a total of \$1000 that will be paid to anyone arresting Clancy and turning him over to the sheriff of this county. So far no trace of him has been found, but it is probable that with a reward of this size as an inducement the officers will succeed in locating him.

Benevath Minstrel Show a Success

The Benevath Minstrel show given at the Grand Theatre last night was a decided success. The theatre was packed to the doors with a crowd prepared to show its appreciation of all the good points made. The show was good and was fully up to the expectations of those present. Lack of time and space prevents an extended account of the entertainment and it is impossible to mention any particular person or feature without doing an injustice to the others.

Improvements at Ideal Play House

C. R. Potter, manager of the Ideal Theatre, has had a force of carpenters at work for the past week making some extensive improvements to the theatre. The building has been lengthened, giving more seating space in the auditorium and about 150 new opera chairs have been added, nearly doubling the seating capacity.

The operating room has been enlarged and a second moving picture machine put in. With the two machines, the performance will be continuous with no waiting between the reels.

A new box office has been put in and the entrance has been raised up flush with the side-

Mary L. McIntyre Seeking Divorce

A complaint was filed in the district court yesterday in an action in which Mary L. McIntyre is seeking a divorce from her husband, Merlon P. McIntyre. The parties, who are residents of this city, have agreed upon a property settlement and there are no children.

The grounds for the divorce, as set forth in the complaint, is the non-support of the wife by the husband. The complaint asks for an absolute divorce and that the defendant be required to pay the costs of the action and fifty dollars attorney's fees. Wm. D. Keeton is attorney for the plaintiff.

Surprised By His Schoolmates

Last Saturday evening a number of David Nelson's schoolmates and friends gave him a genuine surprise at his home on Second street, bringing with them a supply of good things to eat. The evening was spent in playing old-fashioned games of various sorts. After partaking of light refreshments the guests departed at a late hour for their respective homes, expressing themselves as having had a most delightful time.

Those present were Sadie Shanks, Ruth Holsclaw, Esther Johnson, Helen Monroe, Phoebe Keller, Ellen Olson, Margaret Mulroney, Gladys Nelson, Morse Johnson, Shields Sanders, Archie Manthey, Edgar Marshall, Lloyd McMillan, Everett Harrigan, LeRoy Vogel, Floyd Putnum, Wayne Underwood, Elbert Rawls and David Nelson.

H. J. Hull Business Visitor Here

H. J. Hull of Wallace, formerly of this city, and a member of the last legislature from this county, has been spending a few days in the city attending to some legal matters. After Mr. Hull went to Wallace last spring, the prosecuting attorney of Shoshone county resigned and Mr. Hull was appointed to the position. He is making good and although a new man in the county will probably be given the election to that office this fall.