

ALLEGED SLAYER IS PLACED ON TRIAL

Boy Accused of Killing Conductor at Ridgefield, Wash., Is Calm.

STORY OF SHOOTING TOLD

Witness Alexander Describes Details of Quarrel and Fight Between Defendant and Stewart to Jurymen.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—For the alleged killing of J. H. Stewart, conductor on the Northern Pacific work train, at Ridgefield, June 26, E. Merle Fuller, 19 years old, a telegraph operator, went on trial for his life today. The forenoon was taken up with securing this jury: Henry Bellise, M. M. Dickes, G. M. Hetrick, William E. Harrison, T. H. Huntbury, W. T. McGinnis, A. B. Chalk, A. W. Schoonover, J. A. McArthur, G. McBride, William Miller and James Tallman.

Alexander Describes Shooting.

T. E. Alexander, one of Stewart's brakemen, who saw the shooting, was the first witness called by J. P. Stapleton, attorney for the state. Alexander told of being called at 4 o'clock in the morning by Fuller, who was night operator, and later of his going to the depot and into the office where Fuller was working. According to the rules and regulations, Alexander said, no one had any right in the office with Fuller.

Fuller got up and raised his hand when Stewart, with both hands, gave Fuller a push, which caused him to strike on his back on his chair, the witness asserted. Stewart started to walk out, passing Alexander and Fuller followed him, drawing a gun just as Stewart reached the door in the partition in the depot. A scuffle ensued, Stewart getting a glimpse of Fuller's gun and attempting to seize it.

Shot Fired During Scuffle.

In the mixup, Alexander hardly knows how it was done so quickly he says. Fuller put the pistol to Stewart's breast and fired. Stewart reeled, dropped to his knees and one hand, and Alexander tried to get the gun. Stewart tried to get out the front of the depot, but was unable to open the door, and fell after he had staggered a few feet and died in a few minutes. So close had the gun been to Fuller's breast that the powder ignited his clothes, which were extinguished by E. B. Thomas, another Fuller on the floor, and called twice and had Thomas take the gun from him. Fuller said, "What have I done?"

"You have killed one of the best men in the employ of the Northern Pacific," said Alexander. It seems Fuller had told Stewart he had no business in his office just before he started to leave, and Fuller followed him almost to the door, where the fatal shot was fired.

Fuller appears confident of his acquittal. The trial will be continued tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, if Thomas arrives; if not the trial may be delayed. Thomas was subpoenaed to be present tomorrow, but the trial was pushed up a day without his knowledge.

Dr. E. F. Hixon and Coroner W. J. Knapp were witnesses for the state this afternoon.

STREET OPENING DELAYED

Mount Taber Resident Has Small Hope in Belmont-Street Case.

R. C. Wright, chairman of the special committee of the Mount Taber Improvement Association, and representative of the citizens at Mount Taber, who want Belmont street extended, said yesterday that he had small hopes of getting the street opened under the present conditions. He criticizes the city for trying to condemn the franchise of the street railway company on the street to be opened.

LODGE TEMPLE WRECKED

High Wind Overturns Nearly Completed Masonic Building.

JANESVILLE, Cal., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—In a heavy gale that raged for two days, the new Masonic temple, a two-story frame building, covering an area 20 by 70 feet, yesterday blew over on its side. Several persons who were on the sidewalk in the vicinity of the building had narrow escapes from being caught in the wreckage.

Church Fund Grows.

With a total of \$590 added to the fund by yesterday's solicitation, the Rose City Park Community Church campaign now stands at \$422.25, with the fourth day passed. By 5:30 Saturday night, when the campaign will be declared closed, the \$6000 asked for is expected to have been subscribed. The campaign was to raise \$1000 a day for six days. Due to energetic efforts on the part of the solicitors more than



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WOMEN ARE CONFIDENT

WASHINGTON SUFFRAGISTS BELIEVE THEY'LL WIN VOTE.

"Justice of American Manhood" Counted Upon by Leaders to Give Them Success at Polls.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—As November approaches, when the votes will be cast declaring for or against equal suffrage in the State of Washington, there is a feeling in the air of a crisis.

With just five weeks ahead of them the local suffragists are working day and night in endeavor to reach every voter in the city, either personally or with literature, making an appeal for the amendment.

Mrs. May Arkwright, president of the Spokane Equal Suffrage Club, smiled optimistically when asked what she thought about the situation and whether or not the amendment would carry.

"I have all the faith in the world," said Mrs. Hutton, "that the votes to women will be granted."

"On what do you base your belief?" was asked.

"In the justice of American manhood," replied Mrs. Hutton, "and the fact that there is no logical argument against the cause."

"Everything looks favorable," said Mrs. Philip P. Stafford, who has just returned from a campaign through Western Washington. "Men as a whole are optimistic about the situation and we feel very confident that we will succeed. There is no antagonism to fear, but the ballot is so marked that through ignorance we may lose many votes."

"I believe we are going to win," said Mrs. Rose Moore, one of the most enthusiastic workers in the cause of suffrage. "I feel quite encouraged and I believe there are very few men, what they see intelligent women working for their own cause, who will not be willing to grant the privilege asked. The pleas of the wives, mothers and daughters will be granted."

OREGON "YELL-LEADER" WILL STIR UP ENTHUSIASM.



Charles W. Robison, UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Charles W. Robison, of Portland, who, after a competitive tryout, has been chosen head yell master by the student executive committee, is a son of William Robison, a well-known merchant on Union street.

Robison is a prominent senior in college and a member of the Avava Club. His preparatory work was done in Portland Academy, where he won the oratorical prize in 1907. He spent his freshman year at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.

The new cheer leader was last year editor of the university year book, the 1911 Oregonian, and has won laurels in several intercollegiate debates. Two years ago he led the negative team against the University of Idaho in the tri-state debate.

Robison plans to introduce several innovations to arouse additional enthusiasm among the students. "Roosters" will meet for three special practices a week on the football field and a number of "stag" smokers have been planned to take place in the university gymnasium, where boxing and wrestling bouts will be featured.

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SUMPTER, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—The mining congress which will meet here October 20 and 21 will be representative not only of the mining districts hereabouts but will have the support of mining men and merchants generally throughout the mining districts of Eastern Oregon. These men are so certain of the success of the congress and of the good it will do that they have raised a substantial fund for the entertainment of the visitors and the expense of the convention.

The renewal of mining activity in this region in the past few months has been conspicuous and has marked Sumpter in particular as the best point at which to hold the congress. Sumpter now produces more than 50 per cent of the gold produced in Oregon.

Sumpter will take advantage of the opportunity offered by the convention to make a demonstration of the resources of the Sumpter mining district, and special attention will be directed to the possibilities of development in the future. Methods of treating ores will be presented and explained. It is the desire of the congress especially to develop the processes and methods best fitted to the districts in this section of the state.

The Portland Commercial Club yesterday appointed F. M. Batchelor, E. A. Sessions and H. M. Lawrie delegates to represent the organization at the Congress.

BUCKEYE MINE STRIKES ORE

Coarse Gold Shown in Specimens Exhibited at Sumpter.

SUMPTER, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—The Buckeye mine, near Bourne, 11 miles from Sumpter, is the scene of the most important strike made in Eastern Oregon for several months. Pieces of the ore show coarse colors of free gold, making specimens of the kind that attract crowds around the window of a jewelry store. Specimens were shown in Sumpter by Manager Gleason prior to shipping it to the president of his company at Pittsburg.

The company operating the "Buckeye" has been working at the mine the past three years under discouraging circumstances and has spent more than \$100,000 in development, persisting with the work when many thought there was small chance of any return.

Ore is being taken from a vertical depth of more than 300 feet. The pay streak is about six inches wide, carrying tellurium in addition to native gold,

and there is reported to be a vein of milling ore several feet in thickness.

PAWNBROKER TAKES LIFE

Tacoma Suicide Could Speak in Half a Dozen Languages.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Robert N. Segel, 48 years of age, a well known pawnbroker and interpreter in more than a half dozen languages, was found dead in bed at his home, 1312 South I street shortly after noon today. Investigation showed that he had taken morphine and oil of wintergreen.

Despondency was the cause of the suicide. Segel was called upon frequently by immigration officers and court officials to act as interpreter.

Linton Officials May Qualify.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 6.—(Special.)—City officials of Linton may now qualify and go ahead with their work. The secretary of State acknowledges the receipt of a newly-incorporated town and files the order from the County Court, justice. Such filing and acknowledgment was made by the Secretary of State this afternoon in the case of the new town of Linton.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 6.—

The house of deputies of the Protestant Episcopal Church today passed an amendment to the constitution providing for suffragan bishops throughout the church. The vote was 99 to 25.

The house of bishops today refused to

PRAYER IS INTACT

Episcopalians Retain Wording of Good Friday Service.

NEW BISHOPS PROVIDED

Assistance to Be Given by Suffragans in Large Dioceses—Change in Name of Church Is to Be Considered Today.

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