

WITNESS FOR STATE ACCUSED OF MURDER

George Stillwell Arrested on Warrant From Bend.

PART IN PLOT CHARGED

Prisoner Recounts Killing of Aged Man as He Told Story at Trial of Another Who Gets Life.

With a murder charge against him, George Stillwell, star witness for the state in the trial of A. J. Weston in Bend a year ago for the slaying of Robert A. Krug, is in the Multnomah county jail awaiting the arrival of an officer from Bend. Local information is to the effect that the arrest of Stillwell is the result of the activity of Weston's attorneys, who have just won a new trial in spite of the fact that Weston has been in the penitentiary a year on a life sentence.

Sheriff Roberts during the past week, coming in the form of information said to have been given by friends of Weston and in admissions said to have been made by Stillwell following the Weston trial. Details are as yet being closely kept under cover, but in general the information is to the effect that Stillwell accompanied Weston to Krug's habitation on the night of March 24 and assisted Weston in the torture of the aged man, whose bare feet, it is alleged, were roasted over glowing coals in the fireplace in a vain endeavor to make him tell the hiding place of money, Mr. Myers said. That Stillwell was an eyewitness to Krug's



George Stillwell, arrested on murder charge on telegraphic warrant from Bend.

murder is indicated from the same source, he stated. Stillwell's testimony at the trial in 1921 was largely responsible for Weston's conviction. At that time, Stillwell related that he, with Weston and Joe Wilson, for whom they were working at the Wilson sawmill near Sisters, had been engaged in the manufacture of moonshine whiskey, and that they had been discovered by Krug, who was engaged in this occupation, he quoted Weston as saying: "We've got to work some way to keep him from catching us moonshining. If we don't get him, he'll get us." Stillwell also testified regarding a note made payable to Krug by W. S. Fullerton, said to have been found in Weston's vest pocket after Krug's murder. In addition, the witness had told him on the morning of March 25 that he had visited the Krug cabin, stunned Krug, tied him, choked him, removed his victim's shoes and thrust his bare feet over the coals. Stillwell had been previously invited by Weston to aid him in obtaining money from Krug, but had been refused, he said.

43 GET CITIZENSHIP OF 62 WHO APPLIED, FIVE ARE DENIED PAPERS.

Cases of 12 Continued for Three Months—But One Contest of Loyalty Comes Up.

Final citizenship papers were granted to 43 applicants yesterday, after examination by Federal Judge Wolverson. In a list of 62 persons who applied for naturalization only five were denied citizenship and 12 were continued for three months. None of the five was denied for reasons of doubtful loyalty, but because of insufficient education, unsatisfactory witnesses or defective papers, or failed to appear.

The only contest regarding disloyalty during the entire examination was the case of William Williams, who two years ago was implicated with a body of radicals, and the court examined the subject carefully to discover any J. W. or bolshevik tendencies. Williams was admitted when it was shown that his radical belief was limited.

Those admitted were three ex-servicemen, George Hendley, Canada; Max A. Naberger, Poland; and Rudolph Mench, Canada, and the others were William Williams, Russia; Ludwick Kreiger, Russia; Karl Hellsten, Finland; Ernest W. Anderson, Sweden; Peter J. Karstrom, Sweden; Max Verbovsky, Russia; Meische Chess, Russia; Johan M. Karstrom, Sweden; Edward Flood, Scotland; Henry Staveland, Italy; Joseph S. Singleton, Ireland; Elna Etchelle, England; John A. Wickman, Sweden; Louis Di Gregoria, Italy; Joseph Reese, Austria-Hungary; Erik A. Strom, Sweden; Elliff Wenses, Norway; John A. Vidahof, Russia; William Keller, Germany; John R. Rankin, Canada; William A. Huger Jr., Russia; Friedrich Heich, Russia; Bert C. Thompson, Norway; Morde J. Tushinsky, Russia; Adolf F. Suter, Switzerland; Anna N. Mellin, Sweden; John O. Forsgren, Sweden; Olaf J. Forsgren, Sweden; John P. Schaffer, Romania; George J. Gustafsen, Norway; Charles V. Olsen, Denmark; David Oliver, Canada; Christian Knutsen, Norway; Patrick Cunningham, Scotland; George P. Schaefer, Austria; Felix M. Kerston, Germany; Dirk Visser, Netherlands; Ole Nickelson, Jugo-Slavia; John Yest, Russia; and Leonid Finkelstein, Russia.

Leonid Finkelstein changed his name to Pink. He is proprietor of the Fink photographic studio in Portland. When he became naturalized yesterday he said: "Citizenship to you Americans seems very natural, but such a privilege fills the hearts of us foreigners with joy and appreciation. I personally feel like a little child, weary and abused by cruel parents, who has suddenly been adopted by a kind and rich uncle. I feel as though, at last, I have found a home, where the strong walls of peace and happiness are joined together around me and the strong arm of the most just and the best government of the world is around me. Mere words of gratitude cannot express the honor I feel and my thanks for the privilege given me to become a citizen of the United States."

Smallpox Patient Captured.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Gerald Rummel, ex-serviceman who escaped from the county isolation ward Tuesday night with a well-developed case of smallpox, was arrested today at Pasco. He was charged that he passed a no-fund check for \$3 on the proprietor of a hotel and also took a revolver and a pair of shoes. Officers say that Rummel's penchant for passing checks for \$3. They believe injuries suffered in the war are the cause of his mental condition. He will be returned here and after his recovery taken to Stella-com hospital.

Rich Silver Ledge Discovered.

COLVILLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—Silver ore said to run \$300 to the ton has been discovered on the C. N. Smith homestead, four miles north of the Old Dominion mine, between the middle and south forks of Mill creek. The ore was found at a depth of 20 feet. The ledge is said to be 8 feet wide.

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IDAHO GETS \$750,000

FEDERAL MONEY STIMULATES STOCKRAISING INDUSTRY.

War Finance Corporation Expected to Loan Two or Three Million More.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Loans aggregating \$750,000 have been approved by the war finance board committee for Idaho with the result that relief was given where it was badly needed. The committee issued a statement today saying in part: "The Idaho committee of the war finance corporation has already been the means of stimulating the sheep and cattle industry, making it possible to hold in the state of Idaho many thousands of head of breeding stock which otherwise would have been shipped to the packers. Extensive arrangements have been made for financing a programme contemplating an orderly and conservative importation of high-grade dairy cows. The Idaho committee has passed loans aggregating almost three-quarters of a million dollars during the first month of its operations, some \$300,000 of which has been received by borrowers during the past week. During the next 30 to 40 days the war finance corporation will be the means of bringing to Idaho some \$2,000,000 or \$3,000,000 of additional money. This will be by loans to livestock companies and to banks."

WESTON STARTED FOR BEND

Life-Termner to Get Retrial on Charge of Murder.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A. J. Weston, who arrived at the state penitentiary here from Bend several months ago to serve a life sentence for the murder of Robert Krug, of Sisters, Deschutes county, left here tonight in custody of an officer for Portland. Tomorrow Weston will continue his trip to Bend where he will be retried.

BRIDEGROOM TO BE TRIED

Soldier Who Wed Woman Slayer to Face Court-Martial.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—Private Pat Richard, stationed at Fort Lawton here, will be court-martialed on a charge of having married without permission Midge Anna Sawyer, acquitted of murdering her husband, Colonel G. J. Charles, post commander, announced today. Colonel Charles said the army regulations provided that enlisted men must obtain authority from their commanding officers to wed.

NON-PARTISANS IN FIELD

Leagueurs of Washington State Preserve Party Entity.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Determination not to affiliate with any other organization, but to endorse or nominate candidates for state, legislative and county offices in the 1922 elections, was reached by the state executive committee of the national non-partisan league meeting here today, it was announced by A. D. Zander, the chairman.

Pacific Recital Success.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Students of three departments of the university conservatory appeared last night in the pre-holiday recital given under the direction of Professor C. W. Lawrence, new director of the conservatory and instructor in voice. Professor Lawrence's students in voice and Miss Irma A. Taylor's, Miss Margaret Keep's and Miss Nena M. Walker's students in piano and Professor William Wallace Graham's violin students appeared on a programme of 18 numbers. The recital was well attended.

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