

Laugh With Lardner

The inimitable Ring Lardner has his inauguration wardrobe in hand. He will discuss it in a column in the Sunday Journal tomorrow.



It's All Here and It's All True THE WEATHER—Tonight and Sunday, cloudy; variable winds. Minimum temperatures: Portland 44, New Orleans 48, Los Angeles 40, San Francisco 40, Seattle 40, St. Paul 40.

YOUNG BOND THEIF CAUGHT; LOOT FOUND

Flight of Willie Dalton, 17, With \$772,000 in Securities Stolen From His Employer, Cut Short at Village Pool Game.

Heyworth, Ill., Feb. 26.—A country town marshal today caught the quarry of the police of the nation. Jack Draper, town marshal of this village, today arrested William Dalton, 17-year-old bank clerk, who fled from the Northern Trust company of Chicago with \$772,000 worth of Liberty bonds.

Draper was playing a game of pool with Jack Hennessy, the local village cue shark, when Draper walked up to the lad and took him into custody. BOY GIVEN RIDE A small traveling bag, setting beside the pool table, was opened and the Liberty bonds rolled out on the rough pool room floor.

Draper said the bonds were intact, except one bond for \$500. He said Dalton refused to tell him what became of the missing bond. It was later learned that the bond was sold in Chicago by a few minutes after the robbery on Thursday. The bond was surrendered this afternoon. Dalton sold it for \$437.50.

Draper advised Heyworth said that Dalton was being held at the home of Draper. The intense interest in the quest for the boy was heightened by the immense reward offered. One thousand dollars will be paid for the arrest of Dalton and \$25,000 for the return of the bonds. "YOU GOT ME" "I guess you got me," Dalton remarked calmly, as he was placed under arrest.

Dalton's arrest came as the result of his accepting a ride. Dalton was plunging along the country road, juggling the small suitcase containing the fortune in bonds about dawn today, when a motorist came along the road and asked if he wanted a ride.

The boy hesitated a minute and then climbed in. The motorist started to question the youth. "I'm going to Springfield," Dalton said.

MARSHAL NOTIFIED "Why don't you take the railroad?" the auto driver asked. Dalton wanted to go through Bloomington," the lad answered. That started the motorist thinking.

Hospital Nurses Must Show Clean Bill of Health The Women's Hospital, 144 Eighteenth street, closed Friday by order of City Health Officer Parrish, will not be reopened until every nurse can show a clean bill of health.

Standard Oil Gets Abyssinian Rights Paris, Feb. 26.—The Standard Oil Co., according to Rome dispatches received here today, has obtained by virtue of a royal Italian decree sole rights to exploit the vast Abyssinian fields in Africa which, up to the present, had been believed conceded to the English oil group.

Basketball Rooters Marooned Seaside, Or., Feb. 26.—Two hundred people, comprising an excursion of Seaside, Or., people, who accompanied the Seaside basketball team to Ilwaco Friday night, are marooned on the sandbar at the head of Sand Island today.

Man Drives Team of Dogs 160 Miles Over Ice With Sick Wife Dawson Y. T. Feb. 26.—(U. P.)—One hundred and sixty miles over a frozen, desolate snow waste, George Miller drove a dog sled on which lay his wife unconscious, suffering from a nervous breakdown, when they were expected to May and has placed her in a hospital following a seven day journey.

War Time Repeal Law Vote Blocked Washington, Feb. 26.—(I. N. S.)—Efforts to secure a vote on the Sterling bill, providing for the repeal of wartime laws, was blocked by several objections in the senate late this afternoon.

Immigration Bill Goes to President Washington, Feb. 26.—(U. P.)—The bill limiting immigration to 3 per cent of the aliens already resident here was finally passed by congress today and now goes to the president.

HAVE PORTLAND PEOPLE MONEY TO SPEND? LOOK AT THIS!

SOME of the crowd which jammed itself into Broadway and Alder streets by 7 o'clock this morning, waiting for the opening of a widely-advertised 5-10-15-cent store, which was set for 8 o'clock. Long before that hour the crowds had stretched across both streets, seriously interfering with streetcar and automobile traffic and keeping a large squad of police busy. Once the women got in they didn't come out until they found what they wanted. Note this Portland matron, her arms full of trophies which she didn't wait to have wrapped.



TEDDY ROOSEVELT GETS NAVAL POST

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Burglar Shot In Head, but Makes Escape

Portland police are searching today for a colored burglar who was shot in the head early this morning during an attempted robbery of the home of Dr. Virgil McMickle at Rockspur station. The robber's hat with two bullet holes in it, one where the bullet entered and another where it emerged, and a trail of blood, were found after daylight today.

About 3 o'clock this morning Mrs. McMickle was awakened by a strange noise outside the house. She quietly awakened Dr. McMickle and whispered to him that someone was trying to break in.

Dr. McMickle said he laughed at the idea, but soon he heard two men talking. They talked in a loud voice, he said, and apparently made no effort to keep quiet.

HEARS RIPPING NOISE In a few minutes he heard a ripping noise and realized that the burglars were breaking open a window of the dressing room with a jimmy bar. Dr. McMickle then jumped out of bed, grabbed his revolver and fired a shot through the bedroom window. As the men were at another window, the only effect of the shot was to scare them away. Both men were seen to run.

Dr. McMickle said he heard them returning. This time he hid in the dressing room, and when one began to climb in the window he fired at his head. The shot entered the hat above the band and went through sideways. The inside of the hat is covered with blood, as is the porch. Dr. McMickle shot for a short time after being shot.

SEES PRONE FIGURE Dr. McMickle told the police he could have jumped out of the window after the man, but he feared he might be shot by the burglar. The negro, whom Dr. McMickle said appeared to be about 55 years old, lay prone on the porch for several minutes and then crawled on his hands and knees to the steps. When he rose he staggered at first. Dr. McMickle said he would have fired another shot at this point had his wife not restrained him. After taking a few steps the negro regained his composure and started to run. Dr. McMickle then fired two more shots at his legs, but neither appeared to take effect.

The men used a garden fork to jimmy the window. As the McMickles have no telephone they could not call the police. Detectives are trying to find the wounded man.

Old Tom, famous bloodhound formerly used by his owner, Joe Keller, in tracing fugitives from the state, was tentatively, has been taken to Rockspur station to try to pick up the trail of the burglar.

The man found was identified to be of the same style as those issued to convicts upon their discharge. Dr. McMickle and police found a piece of bone buried in the snow near the steps. Near the scene, and a bullet mark on the woodwork.

Other residents of the Rockspur neighborhood who inspected the scene of the attempted burglary and shooting announced that all the people of that vicinity are prepared to administer justice. The Western Forestry and Conservation association saw the blood trail on Dr. McMickle's porch, as did Dr. Ralph A. Fenton. Each assured that the men were in cooperation in meeting similar emergencies.

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LOTISSO IS GUILTY; LIFE TERM URGED

Verdict Is First Degree Murder, but Jurors Recommend Imprisonment, Which Must Be Heeded by Court; Defendant in Tears.

Thomas Lotisso, who shot and killed his wife, Tessie, on the morning of November 30, 1920, was today convicted of murder in the first degree. The death penalty was eliminated by the jury and life imprisonment was recommended. Circuit Judge Belt announced that sentence would be passed at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

This was the second trial of Lotisso. The jury in the first trial last January was not able to agree. When the clerk of the court read the verdict the prisoner lost his composure, buried his face in his hands and sobbed. He soon recovered.

SISTER BREAKS DOWN Although the defendant managed to control himself without great difficulty, the same was not true of his sister, Mrs. Jennie Lopez, who has been a constant attendant at both trials. She broke out into sobs and weeping which would not be stilled despite efforts of her friends and counsel. She was still inconsolable when she was led from the courtroom.

Question has arisen as to the right of a jury to make suggestions to the court as to the severity of the sentence to be imposed. Under the old capital punishment law which was wiped off the statute books and re-enacted by the people last year, no option was allowed. A verdict of murder in the first degree carried immutably the death sentence. The new law, as re-enacted, however, (Continued on Page Two, Column Four)

BOAT CHIEF STILL BAFFLES PURSUERS Sole hope of unravelling the mysterious murder of Harry I. Pawluk, whose body was found along Barnes road early this week, lies in the finding of his former pal, John Bruno, in the opinion of the authorities working on the case this morning.

But Bruno has succeeded in obliterating every trace of himself. One new clue was brought to light this morning when W. A. Frost, 1607 Willow street reported to the police that his seat companion from Portland to Salem Friday answered the description of Bruno. Frost said his companion to Salem told him that he was going to Los Angeles.

From records kept of Bruno by the customs officials, authorities have sent his description all over the Pacific coast. It is not believed he will escape the drag-net which will be thrown out by the authorities.

SCOTT CROST TREORY The deputy sheriff do not place much hope in the Crost theory that Bruno went south Friday. They are working along a new and confidential line of investigation. All over the Pacific coast, they are working up something definite before Sunday.

In conducting the search of the quarters occupied by Pawluk under the alias of Sheppard, deputy sheriffs found a picture of a woman, which proved to be that of a prominent business woman of the city. The sheriff's office is guarding the information.

FALS FAIT COMPANY Deputy sheriffs who questioned members of the Montague crew Friday afternoon, determined that Bruno went to the ship Wednesday—the day after the body was discovered. Bruno had his personal belongings away in a suitcase.

The fact that Bruno occupied separate quarters from Pawluk's was also determined. Previous to this the pair had always been the closest of friends and had roomed together. Bruno and Pawluk had occupied rooms at 37 Yamhill street from February 13 to 17 when Bruno moved to 361 Taylor street, where he remained until Wednesday. Pawluk used the name of Sheppard in registering at the former address.

Search for "the woman in the case" was continued today. When E. Phillips of Courtney station and M. Panoff, Washington street cigar dealer, identified the murdered man Thursday as a Czechoslovak who recently came to this country to escape European intrigue, they had in mind a man named Bohemil Siller, who answers the description of the victim very closely, according to a letter received by The Journal this morning from Mrs. Louise E. Henry, postmistress of Dahlia, Wash.

Mrs. Phillips says that Siller lived with Stanley Thompson, a member of the crew, attempted to establish identity of the murdered man. Young Phillips lives at Phillips Rock. Siller's cousins are Tony and Paul Forringo, who live at Dahlia. Siller has a registered letter awaiting the man at Dahlia, where she is postmistress.

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The owner of each voice seemed to have a mental picture of his bargain-seeking wife lying crushed and senseless at the hospital, but as each inquirer was told the name a sigh of relief was the only response.

Mrs. Danaugh had gone to the store entrance early in the morning and had shouldered her way to the door for the opening. She says she was punched in the side by a ruffian and fainted.

At 11 o'clock Fire Marshal Grenfell closed the store temporarily, because of fire hazard. Several boxes of washing powder had been kicked open by the throngs which stormed the store, and fumes containing naphtha permeated the atmosphere.

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