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CORPSE IN TRUNK

Portland Murder Followed By Arrest of Two Persons

VICTIM'S WIFE ONE OF THEM

Rickard Selects Reno For Prizefight—
Fire Rates \$250,000 School House at Spokane

Special to the Evening Review.

PORTLAND, Or., June 21.—With evidence pointing almost indisputably to their guilt, Jesse P. Webb, a Seattle real estate agent, and Mrs. William Johnson, are under arrest here, charged with the murder of the woman's husband, a farmer, of Kent, Wash., whose dead body was found in a trunk at the Union depot last night. Johnson's head was crushed and there was a bullet in his brain.

At the police station Webb was searched and two bloody handkerchiefs were found in his pockets. He also had on his person two watches, one of which Mrs. Johnson says belonged to her husband. Webb and the woman had been automobiling all night and were alighting at the Wilamette Lodging House, when they were apprehended. The woman had in her purse \$1900, which she says her husband gave her yesterday. Webb is known to the Seattle police. Local authorities incline to the belief that the woman is not the murdered man's wife, but a member of a well-known Seattle gang of swindlers.

The murder was committed in a room at the Grand Central Hotel. The mattress and bedding are covered with large blood spots and the room generally is in a tawdry condition, showing signs of a struggle. Webb occupied a room across the hall. The hotel porter says Webb and the woman spent yesterday afternoon packing and repacking trunks; that Webb finally sent away one, which he later identified. This was the trunk that contained Johnson's body. It was checked to

Puyallup, Wash. When blood began seeping from it at the Union depot an investigation was made, resulting in the disclosure of the murder. Through the expressman that brought the trunk to the depot the ownership was traced to Webb.

Reno Wins Over Goldfield.
RENO, Nev., June 21.—Tex Rickard announced this afternoon that the Jeffries-Johnson battle on July 4th would be held in this city. The town is wild with joy. Business men of the city will pay the state license of \$1000 and erect a monster arena, costing \$15,000.

Goldfield boosters, who came here with a guarantee of \$200,000 to secure the fight for that city, are much chagrined over Rickard's decision. To show their enthusiasm and earnestness, the Goldfield people paraded the streets all night.

Governor Says O. K.
SALT LAKE, Utah, June 21.—Governor Dickinson, of Nevada, who is in the city, said today that he would not attempt to interfere with the Johnson-Jeffries fight at Reno. He intimated, however, that the law would let him interfere if he wanted to.

Bruisers Ready to Leave.
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., June 21.—Jeffries, with Corbett and Choyinski and the rest of his training staff, leaves for Reno tonight. He will train at Moana Springs. Johnson follows on Thursday.

Fire Loss at Spokane.
SPOKANE, Wash., June 21.—The South Central high school building was gutted this morning by fire, starting from a pile of rubbish in the basement. The loss is \$250,000, covered by \$97,000 insurance. The building was erected in 1890 and was one of the largest of its kind in the Northwest.

4TH OF JULY VOTING CONTEST.
For Goddess of Liberty at Oakland Celebration.

Tickets on sale, 1c each vote, at all Roseburg drug stores, where conditions of contest are posted.

Any girl in Douglas county 18 years of age or over is eligible. Votes will be counted by committee every evening and results published in these columns. Help elect the most popular girl for Goddess on above occasion.

Mrs. H. E. Allison is visiting with relatives in Cottage Grove.

NEW TELEPHONE SERVICE

BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY.
Change to the New Automatic Switchboard to be Made Next Saturday Night.

After next Saturday night the Roseburg telephone system will be operated from the new switchboard in the new telephone headquarters on Stephens street. This will also end the present antiquated method of calling "central," as that will thereafter be done automatically by taking down the receiver. A large force of men is now at work here preparing for this change. Several of the officers of the Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. are here overseeing this work. Among them are J. P. Davies, Division Construction Superintendent; E. F. Saylor, District Plant Superintendent; F. E. Cole, District Traffic Superintendent. Besides these, J. E. Houston, District Commercial Superintendent, is expected to arrive tonight.

Work on placing the big new cables is now an important feature and a gang of expert splicer men arrived and went to work this morning. In fact the entire system will have to be re-wired and new wires and new phones placed in all buildings. The switching over to the new plant will not have to wait for this, however. As soon as the change is made to the new switchboard a crew of men will at once remove the cranks from the present phones so no more hand ringing can be done, that being obviated by the new automatic system. This will be followed as rapidly as possible by the installation of new phones and taking out the old ones. This is to be done without interrupting the telephone service for anyone, if possible. Some little confusion is to be expected in connecting up the new wires, but this will soon be eliminated. It will perhaps be about a month before all the new phones can be put in place, but the new switchboard and automatic ringing will be put into service on the entire local system next Sunday, unless something now unforeseen occurs.

The telephone company is spending nearly \$50,000 on this new system here and it will be a thoroughly modern plant when completed.

Gennaro Manghise, a native of Italy, 22 years of age, has filed with County Clerk Lenox declaration of his intention to become an American citizen. He is a resident of Winchester and a common laborer.

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The bid of the Clark-Henry Company, submitted at the regular session of the council Monday night, was practically the same as the tentative figure for which they offered to do the work on the 25th of April, last. The exact cost for each block cannot be given until City Engineer Roberts makes the computation from his specifications, but the grand total, according to his preliminary estimates, remains at about \$92,200.

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CONTRACT IS LET FOR ASPHALT PAVING

Clark-Henry Co. to Do Work at Original Figure

FORTY BLOCKS FOR \$82,200

Salem Concern Bid Lower, but Council Feared Their Inexperience—
Capitalists Ask For Franchises

By the unanimous vote of the eleven councilmen present, the Clark-Henry Construction Company, of Sacramento, Calif., at an adjourned session of the city council this morning, was awarded the contract for laying asphalt pavement in Roseburg this year. The contract will involve the 40 blocks of street designated for paving by the council over three months ago and with which the public generally is familiar. Later this outlined area will be increased ten blocks, as the bond issue of \$40,000 will also pay one-third the cost of such additional blocks, after there is expended out of that sum the one-third cost of the original area of 40 blocks.

Messrs. Clark and Henry, the successful bidders, were present at the council meeting this morning and promised to begin work within the next 20 days. They agree in their contract to complete work in 120 days. Calculating that they will commence work about July 10, they should have the pavement laid not later than November 10. They are to furnish a bond to insure completion of the work within the time agreed upon. In fact they expect to begin the work just as soon as a plan they have at Sacramento can be shipped here and put in place.

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Waite, Blakeley and Cardwell, three of the applicants, are all well known in Roseburg. Seymour H. Bell, one of the other two, is the former owner of the water and light franchises at North Bend and Marshfield, selling them about three weeks ago. John Hewitt is a son of Henry H. Hewitt, of Tacoma, Wash., one of the wealthiest men of the Pacific Northwest. His name, as well as those of Bell, Waite and Blakeley, has been connected with various public utility enterprises in Southwestern Oregon. Cardwell, a prominent attorney of this city, will probably act as spokesman for the company when the franchise ordinances come up before the council for final disposal. He was present at the council meeting Monday night, but he was silent.

What Applications Ask.
In their wording, the applications for the franchises are practically the same as those which governed the issuance of the franchises now held by Kendall Brothers, owners of the present water and light systems in this city. The only noticeable exception is that the Douglas and Coos Power Company does not ask for the use of Jackson and Cass streets for the emplacement of poles. Their proposed rates for water and light service is just the same as that charged by Kendall Brothers, and they would also furnish water free for 50 fire hydrants if exempt from the payment of city license. They offer two bonds of \$2500 each as forfeits in case they fail to begin work on the systems within 3 months after the granting of the franchise or fail to complete them within a year. They ask that the franchisees run 50 years and they do not insist that they be exclusive. The water they would furnish the city would be taken from the North Umpqua.

Seen after the meeting by a Review representative, Mr. Blakeley would make no statement as to his company's plans, other than to say that they had on foot one of the biggest power projects in the state and that their project in Roseburg was but a small part of their general purpose.

The ordinance providing for the laying of a sewer from Mill and Short streets to connect with the sewer in the Fullerton avenue, in the Hamilton Addition, was passed. Bids

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OVER THE BILLION

Congress Sets New Mark For Appropriations

\$10,000 ITEM FOR ROSEBURG

Bourne Triumphs Over Ellis in Fight On Appointments For Land Office at Vale

Special to The Evening Review.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Appropriations made by Congress at this session is the largest in history. In round numbers the appropriations aggregate a total of \$1,080,000,000. This is approximately \$36,000,000 more than ever before voted at a single session of Congress.

The House adjourned at 1 o'clock this afternoon, after passing the public buildings bill, carrying \$19,288,500 in authorizations for increasing cost of public buildings, etc., besides \$3,095,000 for continuing contracts. The Senate is ready to adjourn also, but President Taft is demanding action on the Postal Savings Bank bill before the session closes their session.

Taft is reported to be "hot" at the negligence of the Senate. He spent several days greasing the ways for this bill, and now it is sticking on the slide. His anger is so great that he has cancelled his proposed trip to New Haven and announced that he would sit tight on the Congressional hill as long as it was necessary to accomplish the passage of a "satisfactory savings bank measure."

The heavy increase in appropriations is due chiefly to the liberality of Congress in granting applications for public buildings and to the "pork barrel" rivers and harbors bill, which alone carried \$50,000,000. Despite these excesses, a saving of \$30,000,000 has been effected in Governmental expenses.

Included in the public buildings bill was an item of \$10,000 for a site for a public building in Roseburg, so Congressman Hawley has telegraphed to Hon. J. H. Booth.

Bourne Wins Again.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Upon the recommendation of Senator Bourne and against the vehement protest of Congressman Ellis, President Taft today nominated Special Agent Bruce R. Kester, of Pennsylvania, and Henry G. Guild, of Newport, Or., to be register and receiver, respectively, of the new land office at Vale, Oregon. Ellis objected to both men because neither resides in the Vale land district, and he especially objected to Kester because he is not a resident of Oregon.

In filling these protests, Ellis called special attention to the charge contained in one telegram that Kester when at Vale as a special agent selected quarters for the land office made an agreement with Major French, owner of the Malheur Enterprise, to give his paper all the legal notices published by the Vale land office.

Before calling on President Taft, Ellis went to the land office to get Kester's record. He found he had

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