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## WANTED MRS. BRUMFIELD TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT THE DISAPPEARANCE OF HUSBAND

Former Roseburg Attorney Telephones From Portland to Melrose Man Asking Him to Communicate Message to Wife of the Accused Murderer of Dennis Russell

why did Elbert Hermann, former Roseburg attorney, want Mrs. Brumfield to "keep mum" concerning her husband's disappearance? That is the question which is puzzling the officials. It was authentically stated today that Elbert Hermann made a request over the long distance telephone from Portland to George Crane, a Melrose resident, asking him to tell Mrs. Brumfield to "keep quiet and say nothing." Not only did George Crane hear the request, but several others on the Melrose line, including a Mrs. Doerner, who late asked Ms. Crane about the mysterious message.

A message over a country line is sery seldom a secret and within a short time the news leaked out that Hermann had talked with Mr. Crane. As soon as the news became known here today, a News-Review representates existed for the Melrose district.

As soon as the news became known here today, a News-Review representative started for the Melrose district in search of George Crane. When found, he was seated on a load of hay and headed towards Roseburg. He was asked concerning the message he had received and he told of the securious as (ollows:

"I was at work in my hay field on e afternoon of July 14th, I believe was, when at about 3 o'clock the lady who keeps house for me came down into the field and informed me that I was wanted on the telephone. As I was very busy I told her to take the number and tell the party that I would call them in the evening. She said that I was wanted on long distance from Portland and that the nessage was an important one. I couldn't imagine who wanted me on ong distance, but thought perhaps some of my relatives in Portland this case, tell her to keep quiet and say nothing. I hesitated a little, not being very anxious to become in-rolved in the case, and then said. Well, all right, Elbert, I'll tell her that.' Then Hermann told me to call him on the phone the next morn-ing and report her answer. He said to call Marshall 905 in Portland.

"That evening when I completed my work in the field I jumped on a lorse and rode down to the Melrose I stopped at the store and with some of the boys for a and then I rode on down to the Brumfield farm. Their farm is about oramient farm. Their farm is about one mile from my place. When I arrived at their place I found Ivan Calhoun, a ranch hand, and he told me that Mrs. Brumfield had been taken to the home of some friends in Roseburg. I stayed at the farm a little while and talked to Calhoun. He talked continually about the

to boats. Four vessels are combing the seas where the steamer was last seen and report much floating lum-ber, spars and bits of wreckage. Nothing has been heard from the small boat containing two officers and nine members of the crew. always been a close friend of the Brumfield family and is also well acquainted with Hermann.

## Watermelon Feed

One of the most successful bon-fire parties of the season was held last evening on North Deer creek, when the "All Winners" Sunday School class of the M. E. church gathered for one of their usual big feasts. Twenty-five "All Winners' were present, and one of the most enjoyable evenings of the summer was spent.

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A most beautiful spot was picked near the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gurnee, and near a nice sized hill that some of my relatives in Portland might be hurt, so I hurried to the bouse. The telephone operator called Portland for me and in a short time a voice came over the wire saying: Hello, George, do you recognize my voice?' I answered No,' and the voice replied: 'This is Elbert Herman.' I said, 'Oh, yes, what can I do for you, Elbert?' He said, 'George, I want you to go down to Mrs. Brumfield's house and tell her to keep her mouth shut about this case, tell her to keep quiet and more watermelon. cookies and marshmallows and then more watermelon.

No prizes were offered to the on

No prizes were offered to the one eating the most melon but it would have been awarded to Jim McClintock without any question. Someone said they saw him eat the sixth melon, but lost count after that. Everyone reported one of the best times of the year, and expressed appreciation to those who gave and did so much to make it such a big success. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gurnee, Mrs. Blair, Gertrude Dillard, Gladys Walker, Jesse Cracroft, Mary Orr, Grace Gilliam, Phoebe Hoag, Gladys Smith, Adella Strong, Olive Strong, Esther Moyer, Lois Geddes, Naomi Phelps, William Haldeman, Walter Cook, James McClintock, Emery Cole, Merle Austin, Lawrence Gilliam, Clare Geddes, Arthur Verrell, Leonard VanLuven and Joe Nee.

W. Worthington, alleged "master mind" of the mail and bahk robbers, whose loot totalled six million dollars, and associate of Charles W. French in many of his fifty million dollar schemes, mry turn state's evidence, was indicated today when Worthington asked permission to annear in court when French is an appear in court when French is ar PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 20.— Shipping men express the fear that the Canadian steamer Importer has gone to the bottom somewhere of the northern California coast. The thirty men aboard may have taken to boats. Four vessels are combing

### Is Big Success Sutherlin Property Brings Good Price

SUTHERLIN, Ore., Aug. 30.—A real estate deal which caused considerable local interest was closed here the first of the week when John Eck, a well known Chicago commission merchant and snipper, purchased the P. A. Comtsock ranch just weet of town. The ranch contains 75 acres, and the price paid was \$200 per acre. About 30 acres contain bearing peach, prune and pear trees, while the balance of the acreage is mostly covered with small timber. Mr. Eck, who has just completed the erection of a large fruit packing plant here, announced that he would build a modern residence on his newly acquired property and spend his summers in Sutherlin. He also announced that his new factory here, which is under the management of McKay brothers, would be equipped with modern machinery in time to engage extensively in the canning business next year.

At a meeting of the board of trus-

PRISONER'S HEALTH PINE

"I feel better today than I have felt for over a year." Dr. Brumfield said today. His looks corroborated his statements, for he has regained the weight lost during his time in Canada and his eyes flash with brilliancy. He has been eating only the food brought to him by his wife, and he says that he owes his fine physical condition to that.

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MAY TURN STATE'S EVIDENCE

VESSEL MAY HAVE BUNK

canning business text year.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the local Methodist church last Saturday, arrangements were completed for the purchase of the Lucius Hall residence property on Second avenue, which will be improved and used for a parsonage. The price paid for the property was \$800. C. H. Tisdale, cashier in the local bank, recently purchased the residence property on Third avenue, occupied as the Methodist parsonage, paying \$2500 for the property.

### Concert Seating Capacity Doubled

#### Railroad Workers Vote Six to One Favor of Strike

CHICAGO, Acz. 30.—There rere two important develop-ments in the railroad strike sit-mation today, which are as fol-

voted six to one in fav-strike, officials of the brotherhoods announcworkers will unanimously re-ject the twelve and one-half per cent cut, union officials an-nounced. The officials stated, however, that the strike order must come from headquarters.

## **GRAND JURY HEAR-**ING IS CONTINUED

Many Witnesses Appear at Investigation Today and Testify In the Case

### STORY OF THE MURDER

Indictment is Expected Tomorro and Circuit Court Will Probably once Trial at Once Brumfield Anxious,

The grand jury investigating the Brumfield murder case continued its work today and before noon had exwork today and before noon had ex-amined over fifteen witnesses. The investigation will probably be closed this afternoon and an indictment is expected either late tonight or to-morrow morning. The corridors of the court house were crowded with witnesses called to testify before the jury, but not all of them were ex-amined. They were held, however. amined. They were held, however, and will probably give their teat-mony before the circuit court jury Walter Bowman, local restaurant

man, was the last man to testify last night. Mr. Bowman was driving to Riddle on the night of July 13, and at about 9 o'clock had reached a point on the Pacific hghway near the Booth orchard. As his auto lights flashed ahead he noticed the Brumfield car stopped in the middle of the road and a man standing beside the standard of the road and a man standing beside the standard beside the standard besides the the road and a man standing beside it. A pair of legs were protruding from the front door of the car. Mr. Bowman states. As he neared the Brumfield auto, the man in the road, thought by Mr. Bowman to be the doctor. jumped into the car and threw the engine into goar. The engine roared and the car shot ahead and gis-zazzed four times across the gine roared and the car shot ahead and rig-zagged four times across the highway. Finally the driver got the machine "straightened out" and it disappeared from view, Mr. Bowman states that he did not see the Brum-field car again. It was at the place where Mr. Bowman saw the car stopped that the large pool of blood and fragments of skull were later found.

QUIET STILL NETS \$10,000.

Shoriff Wellington discovered a camouflaged still today in a dugout near St. Helens, from which officers took liquor, both whiskey and wine, valued at \$10,000. The dugout was so camouflaged it could not be seen at a distance of 30 feet. The raid, aside from the wot goods noticed several prisoners.

#### MOTION IS DENIED.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 29.—Federal Judge Bean today desied the motion of John W. Todd, former superintendent of schools at Salem, and Carlos J. Byron of Seattle, to quash the inictments against them charging swindling in timber land entry schemes. The two were ordered to trial jointly October 1.

#### MURDER TRIAL SET FOR NOV. 1

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23.—Madalynn Obenchain and Arthur Burch,
held in connection with the murder
of Benton Kennedy recently, pleaded
not guilty to the charge of murdering the man. Burch was very much
composed when he appeared before
the court and made his plea in a
firm voice. The woman was visibly
affected and just managed to whisper the words. Ralph Obenchain,
her divorced husband, was at her
side during the proceedings. Their
trial has been set for November 1.

#### NEW CAR SMASHED.

The new Hupmobile demonstration car driven by Glenn H. Taylor,
local automobile dealer, was badly
smashed up last evening when it
collided with a heavy gravel truck
near Wilbur. A long line of cars
had just started forward after waiting for a stretch of road construction to open. Taylor tried to pass
several of these cars. He say the
truck coming, but was unable to get
back into the line of cars quick
enough toavoid hitting it. In trying
to avoid it, he smashed into the fender of the Chevrolet driven by L. C.
Parkhurst, but Parkhurat speeded
up and escaped serious damage. The
Hupmobile was dragges backward
for a short distance by the truck and
was badly torn up. The new Hupmobile demonstrawas badly torn up.

#### Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Dies

Thomas William, the infant son o Thomas William, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Dixon, passed away at the Mercy hospital last night The child was born August 24, and was in good health until Sunday, when he became ill, passing away the next day. Funeral services will be held late this afternoon at the Masonic cemetery, with Rev. Guy Fitch Phelps officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon have the sympathy of the entire community in their pressurement.

### Community Fair To Be At Wilbur

A big community fair has been planned for September 1, to be held at Wilbur. The program will begin at 10:20 in the morning with a poul-

## ANNEXATION OF DIAMOND LAKE TO NATIONAL PARK VICOROUSLY PROTESTED

Resolution Adopted At Special Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Last Evening-Committee To V'ait on Congressmen -Strong Arguments Put Forth Against Annexation

one of the principal sources of the North Umpqua river whose potential water power is undeveloped and ex-ceeds that of any other river within the state of Oregon with the possible exception of the Deschutes; and,

"Whereas, the inclusion of said area within said national park will greatly increase the hazard to live-stock grazing in adjacent territory from the ranges of predatory animals which abound in that vicinity, and therefore also greatly mar and detract from the comfort and pleasure of using for summer outings, not only the area so included within said national park, but also a large area adjacent thereto; and,

"Whereas, it is not necessary for the preservation and protection of the scenic beauty of said area to include it in said national park, because it il all within the Umpusa National Forest and is open to free enjoyment of all citizens of the country without restrictions or limitations except such reasonable regulations except such reasonable regulations enzeted to prevent forest fires, and insure camp sanitation, and the limitation imposed by the game laws of the state, and the inclusion of said area withn said national park would not more fully protect the scenic beauty but would

the people of Oregon and those who wish free intercourse into our for-sets and streams. The policy of the forest service in developing a recreational area, is in the first place to make a survey of the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: then shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, adequate public camp ground: the shore line and lay off a large, and other con-relations for hotels, boating companies, home sites, and other con-relations for hotels, boating companies, home sites, and other con-relations for hotels, boating companies, home sites, and other con-relations for hotels, boating companies, home sites, and other con-relatio

A special meeting of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce was called last night to discuss the bill now before congress which proposes to include Diamond Lake and the surrounding territory within the bounds of the Crater Lake National Park. After considerable discussion, most of which was strongly against the bill, the following set of resolutions were read and adopted:

"Whereas a bill to extend the boundaries of Crater Lake National park was as to include Diamond Lake and vicinity within said Natonal park has passed in the senate and is pending in the house of representatives of the United States of America; and,

"Whereas, said Diamond lake is one of the principal sources of the North Umpqua river whose potential water power is undeveloped and exceeds that of any other river within the acceptable."

"Be it further resolved that a conv."

North Umpqua river whose potential water power is undeveloped and exceeds that of any other river within the state of Oregon with the possible exception of the Deschutes; and, "Whereas, Diamond Lake is a natural reservoir storing and regulating the flow of water of the North Umpqua river, necessary and indispensable to the economical and effective development and utilization of the inclusion of that lake within said national park would materially hinder and seriously hamper the use of that vast power, if not absolutely destroy it; and,

"Whereas, the vicinity of said Diamond Lake furnish large area for grazing livestock, and the shores of said Diamond Lake and other places in the vicinity thereof, afford beautiful and desirable sites for summer homes, and beautiful camp grounds, and the additional area proposed to be incorporated in said national park afford good hunting and fishing, all of which would be either destroyed and prevented or unreasonably restricted, if included in said national park; and, "Whereas, the inclusion of said area within said national park is inclusion of said area within said national park will greatly increase the hazard to livestock grazing in adjacent territors.

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