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BIGGY MYSTERY UNSOLVED

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shooting. The papers printed stories to the effect that Biggy should be removed or resign.

Biggy went over last night to see one of the police commissioners. It is supposed he was told by the commissioner that charges would be filed against him by the graft prosecution and that they would be pressed at the coming hearing. The theory is that he feared he would be removed and sought death instead.

Acting Chief Appointed.

A. D. Cutler, president of the police commissioners' board, has been appointed acting chief of police.

It is pointed out that Biggy did not take his usual escort of two policemen when he started in the police launch. He said nobody except Engineer Murphy was needed. When he reached Beviders, a small summer resort, to see Commissioner Kell, who had been Biggy's supporter on the board, Kell came to the water's edge to talk to Biggy. They conversed for some time. Murphy did not hear what was said, and Kell would not tell this morning. It is generally believed Kell informed Biggy he couldn't take up Biggy's fight before the board.

At 5 o'clock last night Biggy sent to

Kell the following telephone message:

"Somebody you know is coming across the bay to see you."

Murphy is Exonerated.

The commission this morning exonerated Engineer Murphy from all blame and released him from surveillance. Murphy said on his return Biggy said he was cold. He went to the cabin in the stern while Murphy remained at the engine. On nearing the shore Murphy first discovered that Biggy was missing.

Discredits Suicide Story.

Mrs. Biggy, the divorced wife of the chief, declared today she believed Biggy's mind had given way under the strain of work. She said: "He is too good a Catholic to commit suicide. He did not drink. I think he was mentally deranged. I have heard the police boat in which he was riding was prone to rocking. I think it is possible he was thrown into the water by the lurching of the boat. I had not seen him directly since the altercation I had in his office on October 27."

Kell and Murphy Talk.

Commissioner Kell and Engineer Murphy made statements concerning the Biggy suicide. Kell said he talked with Biggy concerning the affairs of the police department. Biggy went across the bay to see Kell concerning the attacks made against him by the newspapers. Biggy was greatly excited.

OLD MISSION PICTURES

At

Ferguson's

ed. Kell told him to never mind the attacks.

Murphy said when Biggy came aboard he complained of being cold. He went to the cabin. Opposite Alcatraz island Murphy called, but received no response. Biggy had jumped overboard. This was about 10 o'clock.

Weds Englishman.

New York, Dec. 1.—Miss Ethel Cryder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Cryder, and Cecil Higgins of London, were married here today. The bridegroom was formerly secretary of the English legation at Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins will make their home in London.

Fruit Men Meet.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 1.—Fruitgrowers from all the northwestern states and from western Canada are gathering in Portland today for the annual session of the Northwestern Horticultural association.

MISS ROSE HOUSE,
Instructor in Piano Harmony and Technique.
Corner Second and Jefferson Streets.
La Grande, Oregon.

New Railroad.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 1.—The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railroad was opened for business today between this city and Sweetwater, Texas, a distance of 432 miles, which is a considerable link in the through line to be built. At this time the road is graded from Sweetwater to San Angelo, 73 miles, and 12 of it has been laid with steel north of San Angelo, and is in operation. It is now expected that tracklaying will be completed between San Angelo and Sweetwater and pushed south from San Angelo to the Mexican border.

Fought Over Socialism.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—Stabbed following a quarrel over socialism, Z. Otuka, editor of a Japanese daily, is at the hospital in a precarious condition.

Pope is Worse.

Rome, Dec. 1.—The pope's condition is reported as worse today. An attack of bronchitis has set in.

LETHARGY OF BOOMERS

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Mr. Pierce and Mr. Stoddard and others, would be able to enlist with Mr. McKennon to scurry for more.

This is not a matter for nine men alone, but for the entire county—hence when Chairman McKennon calls for assistance, be a booster and respond. The winter months are here and no valid excuse can be advanced for not getting down to earnest work. The committee needs aid from the community.

Survey Will Help.

There is no question but what the running of a survey will aid matters immensely. The report of the engineer will be forthcoming in a preliminary way on December 15, when the board meets again to listen to further reports of the soliciting committee and the first report of the engineer running the survey.

General Meeting Later.

Though asserted before, it can now be stated without danger of retraction, that as soon as the holidays are over, the committee will be able to lay their fingers on a great portion of the required acreage. At that time—which has been roughly fixed at the early part of January—a meeting of all subscribers for water will be held in this city, and many of the details looking toward final organization of the subscribers into a corporation that will govern the association, properly disposed of.

As stated before, there have been mutterings of discontent at the lethargy displayed by the promoters in so monumental a proposition, but the men behind it are not all millionaires and have personal duties that require attention. The season of the year has been detrimental to prolonged canvasses. With winter months and their subsequent "let up" in the business whirl, the men can now devote almost unlimited time to the project. The Observer is firm in its belief that Union county will be assured of the greatest elixir of wealth and population will have been clinched within a month.

All the apples raised by the Lane county fruitgrowers have been sold and they have many orders for more.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore.,
October 5, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that

CHRISTEL R. PENDER,
of Vancouver, Wash., who, on October 5, 1908, made timber and stone sworn statement No. 01851, for E 1/4 NE 1/4, section 17, and E 1/4 SE 1/4, section 8, township 5 south, range 35 F W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final timber and stone proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver, at La Grande, Oregon, on the 21st day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Basil E. Lever, of Portland, Ore.; John O. Kissell, of Vancouver, Wash.; Chester A. Pike, of Vancouver, Wash.; David C. Brichoux, of La Grande, Ore.
F. C. BRAMWELL, Register.
10-16-12-18

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County.

Edna L. McColloch, plaintiff, vs. John B. McColloch, defendant.
To John B. McColloch, the above-named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause, on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1908, on or before the expiration of six consecutive weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, which is, 20th day of November, 1908, and if you fail thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, to-wit: for a decree of the court totally dissolving the marriage relation now existing between the plaintiff and defendant and that plaintiff be awarded an absolute divorce from the defendant, and for general relief.

This summons is published in the Weekly Observer, a newspaper published weekly at La Grande, Union county, Oregon, under and by virtue of an order of the Honorable J. C. Henry, county judge of Union county, Oregon, which order was made and entered on the 11th day of November, 1908.

COCHRAN & COCHRAN,

Attorneys for Plaintiff.
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People whose work is in Walla Walla, are buying one-acre tracts in the Freewater district, for their homes. The land lies along the car line and a schedule of a car each half hour will be put into effect in the spring.

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