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SOBBING WIFE IS RECALLED AS A WITNESS

ACTIVITIES OF BRUMFIELD FOR
WEEK PRIOR TO DISAPPEAR-
ANCE ARE TOLD JURY.

RUSSELL'S BROTHERS SAY BODY IS DENNIS'

Shoe Merchant of Myrtle Creek Tells
How Dennis Russell Bought New
Pair of Shoes Recently; Those on
Murdered Man Were Same Make
and Size.

ROSEBURG, July 20.—Mrs. Brumfield was recalled to the stand this morning when the inquest over the headless body found under her husband's automobile, was resumed. The courtroom was crowded, hundreds being unable to enter.

District Attorney Neuner questioned Mrs. Brumfield closely regarding the dentist's activities a week prior to his disappearance. She declared that he had said nothing concerning a trip, or made any intimation that he planned the murder.

Dennis Russell's brothers testified that they had examined the body and were certain that it was their brother. The Busenbark brothers, of Melrose, friends of Brumfield, testified that the body was the dentist's.

The coroner took the stand today and testified that the hair found on the scalp clinging to the body which was cut by him as evidence, resembled Brumfield's hair, while the hair on another large piece of scalp found near the wreck was similar to that of Russell's.

The coroner produced two boxes of evidence, including the burned bib overalls, a watch, fountain pen, letters, a card, gun, cooked car, two pieces of human scalp with gray and black hair and a vest. The watch was Russell's, he testified.

Ivan Calhoun testified that the body was Brumfield's.

That the shoes found on the body in the wrecked Brumfield auto will figure prominently in the identification of the headless body over which the coroner's inquest was proved yesterday, when I. Selig, Myrtle Creek merchant, took the stand just before the close of the day's session.

"I had known Dennis Russell for many years Mr. Selig said, and several months ago he bought a pair of shoes at my store. The shoes were of the Star brand.

He was shown the pair of burned shoes, found in the wreck, and asked if they were those he had sold to Russell. He replied that he could not identify them positively, but that they were of the same brand and the same size as those he had sold.

Mr. Selig produced a pair of shoes identical with those he sold Russell, and they were compared with the burned shoes taken from the body. They were about a number 7 size, which was the size Russell wore, and were of the same brand. Dr. Brumfield's shoes were number 8 1/2, Mrs. Brumfield declared when giving her testimony earlier in the day.

Only one pair of shoes was found and the fact that the smaller size shoes, identical with those sold Russell, were found on the feet of the burned body will doubtless have considerable weight with the jury.

Local Officers Watch.
According to Sheriff Lee Warnick and Chief of Police Ray Flexer both the sheriff's office and the police department are on the lookout for Dr. M. Brumfield, alleged to have murdered Dennis Russell at Roseburg, who has been reported to be headed East. Warnick said today that his men had been on the look out for a man answering Brumfield's description for several days.

A week ago Brumfield is alleged to have stopped in a garage in Portland and asked detailed information regarding the roads in Eastern Oregon. Although sheriffs in Eastern Oregon have been on the lookout for a man answering Brumfield's description no report has been received of such a man driving beyond Portland, although the man inquiring for information regarding Eastern Oregon roads has been positively identified as the alleged murderer, according to reports received here.

According to the theories of the officials at Roseburg are working on the hunted dentist is very probably disguised and it is possible that he is now traveling in a woman's garb. The net of circumstantial evidence which has been built around the case shows that if the crime was committed by Dr. Brumfield he had the details well arranged and this indicates that he would be heavily disguised when found.

U.S. Intervention In Silesia Asked

LONDON, July 20.—Informal suggestions have been made for American intervention in the Upper Silesian trouble, which it is feared will break into open hostilities, according to authoritative quarters.

Reinforcements Demanded.
Paris, July 20.—The British, Italian and French commissioners in Upper Silesia have made a demand for reinforcements to be sent to the allied troops of occupation.

BIG FOREST FIRE SPOTTED
Area of 700 Acres Southeast of Astoria Reported Ablaze

EUGENE, Or., July 20.—A big forest fire near Vesper, 25 miles southeast of Astoria, has spread until it covers an area of 700 to 800 acres, according to the observer of the north patrol of the 31st aero squadron, now on duty on fire patrol, upon his return to the base here Monday. The observer said the fire was burning in green timber.

TRAFFIC TO BE REGULATED

DUMMIES PLACED AT SEVERAL
DOWNTOWN CORNERS.

Hitching Racks to Be Provided For
Horse Drawn Vehicles at An
Early Date.

A number of the new traffic dummies were placed in position at corners in the congested district today by the street department. The new dummies have a tendency to keep drivers from cutting corners as they are made with a concrete base fifteen inches in height while the upper portion is a two inch pipe with the motto, "Turn to the Right" on the top. On the base, which is white, is painted the "No parking" warning, as well as the hours to which this applies.

The automobile is not receiving all the attention the city is giving to vehicles. Horse drawn vehicles will soon have new parking places. One is to be on the north side near the shops of the railroad and the other is to be located on Fourth street from the alley south of Jefferson to Jefferson. The new hitching racks to be constructed there will be started in a few days, according to George Garrett, city manager.

AUTO CLUB IS REORGANIZED

LAST YEAR'S OFFICERS ARE RE-
ELECTED

Will Make Attempt to Have Wallowa
Hill Road Cleared of Rock
and Teach Signalling.

The Union County Automobile association was reorganized at a meeting held last evening in the city hall. F. L. Meyers was reelected president and A. M. Andrews was reelected secretary.

The association decided to ask the county court to rake the rocks off Wallowa hill, this road now being in very poor condition. It was decided that meetings should be called whenever it was found necessary to discuss important questions.

The officers were instructed to investigate the high price of gasoline and it was also decided to ask the police department to set aside one hour a day for the purpose of giving instructions to motorists in the proper signalling.

WHEAT YIELD IMPROVES
Benton County Production This
Year About 970,000 Bushels

PROSSER, Wash., July 20.—County Agent Georgeason today estimated Benton county's wheat crop as follows: Twenty-five thousand acres of winter wheat, 200,000 bushels; 20,000 acres of spring wheat, 210,000 bushels. The acreage was about the same as last year, but the yield is about 40 per cent higher, being estimated at 15 bushels an acre as an average of spring and fall seedings.

Mr. Georgeason estimates the potato crop at 120 cars, and the alfalfa crop to be the same as last year.

MARINE ENGINEERS OF SAN FRANCISCO TO RETURN TO WORK

PORTLAND, July 20.—The marine engineers here have voted to return to work on the privately owned vessels. The vote was taken Saturday, but announcements were withheld until the result of the San Francisco vote was given out. This was taken last evening and was for the return to work. Seattle will not vote until tomorrow. The engineers on the shipping board vessels recently returned to work. The strike was started on May 1.

BEES SWARM IN COAL YARD

Colony Is Quietly Taken Down With
Bell and Transferred to a
New Hive

A swarm of bees settled down in the Lynch coal yard on Jefferson avenue this afternoon and caused considerable excitement. J. D. Lynch secured a cow bell and the music this made in the vicinity of the bees caused them to peacefully settle down on a wagon.

A bee hive was next secured and he brushed them off and enticed them into the new hive. At first some of them did not know whether or not their new home would be acceptable to them but after going in and out for a while they decided that the new quarters would be welcome and settled down.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 20.—The county grand jury has returned indictments charging Governor Small, Lieutenant Governor Sterling and Vernon Curtis with embezzlement, conspiracy and operating of the confidence game.

LET US FINISH THE VICTORY WAY

Patriotism is a thing that must not cool. Our debt to the boys of the war is just as burdensome now as it was when we were called home that bunch of Union-baiting boys after their campaign in France.

It is a debt no money can ever pay and no one would attempt to pay a true soldier with money. But there are other things besides money that tell the story of the boy.

And one of those things—a very beautiful one—was inspired by the ladies of La Grande when they asked everyone to join in building the Victory Way as a tribute to the soldiers. Hardly had the people of Union county been told of the project until their purses were opened and the needed funds for purchase of trees was raised. The city and county gallantly came to the foreground and offered to do their parts as political units in the way of grading, filling and putting the road in condition to receive the memorial of trees.

The county has done a great deal of work and the city has done some but there is more to do, and it needs to be done now. Before a tree can be planted, proper filling must be done on the road. In other words, all the future work of the ladies in planting the trees as hung up with the back of filling and surfacing. It is not a big job, but it is one of those jobs that must be done before another move can be taken in the great project which is to reflect the people's love and admiration for the boys.

The observer understands that the matter of filling the roadway will come before the city commission this evening. We realize the commission is busy with city water, street lighting and many other problems, but we do think it would be an admirable thing if the commission could dispose of this unfinished business by ordering the work done which will put the road in condition to receive the trees that are ordered, as planting season will soon have passed this year and then it will mean a wait of another twelve months.

But, with filling and grading completed, the trees will be forthcoming and many a patriotic person will take a personal delight in planting with his own hands a tree for a boy who went to France.

With a final decision of the commission this evening to immediately put the road in condition there will go up from the homes in Union county from which the twelve hundred soldiers entered the service a feeling of deep gratitude and fervent thankfulness.

BILLY BURNS TAKES STAND FOR THE STATE

TELLS HOW WHITE SOX PLAYERS
AFTER AGREEING TO THROW
GAME, FUDGED.

RECEIVED NO MONEY —DOUBLE CROSSED

Had Been Urged to Win the Third
Game in Order to Strengthen Bet-
ting; Told Gamblers It Was Impos-
sible, and Then, With Kerr Pitching,
Game Was Won 3 to 0.

CHICAGO, July 20.—The Chicago White Sox players, after agreeing with the gambling clique to throw the 1919 series to Cincinnati for \$100,000, became sick of their deal when not paid what the bribers had promised, and at a meeting before the third game decided to play their best and win the series. This is the evidence Bill Burns, accomplice in the alleged throwing, and the state's star witness, gave today when he testified in the baseball trial here.

He was urged by the alleged "fixers" to win the third game to improve the betting odds, but the players said they had lost to two regulars, Cicotte and Williams, and would not win from a "busher," Dick Kerr. Burns said that they, with the feeling that they had been crossed by the gamblers, they double-crossed their bribers by telling them they would lose the third game, but instead won it 3 to 4, with Kerr pitching.

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Uses Truck to Haul His Horse

Duncan McDonald has found that auto trucks can be put to good advantage in saving time. Yesterday he had to make a trip to Hilgard to do some riding after reaching his destination. To ride up from his ranch would have taken him the better part of a day and his horse would have been worn out as the result of the trip. McDonald has a large truck which has replaced teams in hauling supplies to his ranch and hauling out his produce. He loaded a saddle horse on the truck and made the trip to Hilgard in the machine. When he arrived there he had a fresh horse, felt much better than he would have felt if he had ridden his horse all the way and saved over a day's time in transacting his business.

PIONEER DAY CELEBRATION

M. L. A. PLANS PROGRAM FOR
MONDAY

Annual Commemoration of Coming
of Mormon Pioneers to Salt
Lake to Be Observed

The M. L. A. of the local L. D. S. church will celebrate Pioneer Day Monday evening at the city park. Pioneer Day falls on July 24 and the celebration is to be held on Monday this year, because the day falls on a Sunday.

Pioneer Day is an annual event in the L. D. S. church and each year is celebrated with appropriate programs in hundreds of cities and towns in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and other states where the Mormon church has branches. The day has been set apart by the church to commemorate the entrance of the Mormon pioneers into the Salt Lake Valley on July 24, 1847.

The program at the park will begin at six o'clock in the evening. An hour will be spent in games and swimming contests and following this a picnic supper will be served. A short program will follow this and from eight-thirty to eleven dancing will be enjoyed. Lindsey's orchestra will furnish the music.

In Baker the celebration this year will be held on Saturday, July 23.

Alleged Wallowa Liquor Law Violator Arrested

Frank Brown Taken Into Custody
By Deputy Sheriff From Enter-
prise Last Night.

Frank Brown, formerly of Enterprise, was arrested here last night by Deputy Sheriff Nottingham of Enterprise on a warrant charging Brown with violation of the prohibition laws. He was placed in the city jail for safe keeping until his removal to Wallowa county.

Brown resided Nottingham when the latter placed him under arrest and it is possible that he will have to answer to a charge of resisting an officer.

FAILURE TO STORE COAL NOW MAY SPELL AN ACUTE FAMINE

LEGION MEN ASKED TO CLIMB MT. HOOD

Members of the local post of The American Legion have been invited to take part in a climb up Mount Hood, which will take place Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31. The climb is to start at one o'clock Saturday afternoon and the return will be made Sunday evening.

The honor guests at the affair will be the members of the state bonus commission and state officers of the legion will also be on hand to take part in the climb. A special rate is to be made for the trip. The entire cost will be \$12.50, those taking part furnishing their own blankets, amber glasses and knife, folk and spoon.

Members of Hood River Post No. 22 expect that about two hundred will take advantage of the special trip.

CONGESTION DURING CONCERTS DANGEROUS

Police Announce that in Future Cars
Must Not Blockade Streets

Chief of Police Roy Flexer this morning announced that the congestion caused by many automobiles parking in the vicinity of the band concert last night was dangerous and that in the future people attending the weekly band concerts would be asked to park their cars elsewhere.

"The band concerts are a fine thing for the city but we cannot allow motorists to block traffic entirely in all directions from the corner where the concert is being given," Flexer said today. "In the future we will expect those attending to park their cars along the side of the street, leaving the streets open."

LUMBER COMPANY BUILDING HOUSES

Grande Ronde Lumber Company Is
Sued Another Permit for Build-
ing House

The Grande Ronde Lumber company has been issued a building permit to erect a one-story frame dwelling house on Adams avenue between Walnut and Alder streets. The house is the second one to be erected in this block by the Grande Ronde Lumber company, another one being now in course of construction.

The estimated cost of the building was given as \$3,500 in the building permit.

TO NEW GUINEA ON MISSION

What premises to be an interesting tour has been formulated by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knautz, who are going to New Guinea on a church mission. Mr. Knautz is a brother of Paul and Charles Knautz of this city, and, until recently, made his home here. For a time he entered the Salvation Army field, and spent some time at Camp Lewis. Then he enlisted in the army and on his discharge from there took a preparation course in a Minnesota school. At its conclusion he was prepared for the mission field for the Lutheran church and will devote his young life to that vocation. He was recently married and he and his bride are spending a few weeks with friends here before undertaking the long journey into the Pacific Island mission field.

CHURCH TO HAVE AD MAN

New York Organization Recognizes
Value of Publicity

NEW YORK, July 20.—Advertising columns of daily newspapers are to be used for general church advertising as well as for evangelistic purposes. It was announced today by officers of the Protestant Episcopal church.

The publicity department of the church has been instructed to add a competent advertising writer to its staff. The extent of the new venture in church publicity was not announced.

Weather
Tonight and Thursday, fair. Cooler tonight in the eastern portion. Warner Thursday, except near the coast.

DEALERS SAY LETHARGY HAS BEEN MARKED

USUAL SUMMER STORAGE NOT
IN BUNKERS BY HALF THE
ORDINARY AMOUNT

WATCHFUL WAITING GENERAL POLICY

Local Dealers Reason that Because
of Limited Buying Now There
Will Be a Shortage Later on—No
Reduction in Freight Rates Antici-
pated by Railroads.

Possibility of coal rations next winter are seen in the lethargy of the public as regards storing up coal for winter consumption during the summer months, according to conclusions reached by several coal dealers who have gone into the situation as it exists today. Investigation and estimates of the coal consumption in La Grande show that 8000 tons are the normal requirements, and, also the startling fact is found that whereas half of this total is stored during the summer months, as a usual practice, an extremely small amount has been laid away at this time this year. Reduced output and danger of congestion in transportation facilities later on, are largely responsible for the serious condition that confronts the consumers of coal.

Reasons for not following former practices of storing away the winter supply during the summer months, probably include the common belief that freight rates are coming down soon and that coal will be cheaper later on. That rates are not coming down anywhere soon is the contention of railroad operators. Following a news clue that there is certain to be an acute coal shortage the coming winter unless consumers begin to store now, the Observer has investigated conditions and interviewed dealers along this line.

J. D. Lynch, a local dealer, discusses the whole coal situation in the following words:

"In the United States for the first five months of this year, the output of the bituminous mines was 12,000,000 tons less than it has been for any like period in the last five years."

"The mines' wage agreement which ended the strike of 1919-1920 does not expire until March 31, 1922, at which time no doubt the mine operators will attempt to reduce the miners' wages and the miners have already declared their intention of resisting any reduction, which means a strike at that time. In the meantime the mine operators do not feel justified in violating their contract with the miners by reducing wages. Owing to a lack of interest of the coal-buying public the mines have been idle a great part of the time, with overhead expenses continuing. Therefore, there can be no hope of a reduction in the mine price of coal. On the contrary, an increase in the price is predicted soon."

"The mine operators and dealers through their organization presented a bill in congress to reduce freight rates at least for the summer season. This bill was defeated by congress. This indicates the attitude of congress."

Reasons Pointed Out.

"The coal famine in 1920 was caused by the consumers failing to buy coal in adequate volume during the early part of the year, and yet the movement for the first six months of 1920 was at the rate of nearly 11,000,000 tons per month more than the movement so far this year. Based on these figures, in order to equal the production for 1920 when there was a shortage the mines will have to produce nearly 400,000,000 tons during the rest of this year. This will overtax the coal carrying capacity of the railroads and overtax the mines resulting in higher prices and shortage. Coal mines are now in position to produce and the roads are in position to move a large volume of coal. If consumers fail to take advantage of the present opportunity to prepare for winter a coal shortage is inevitable."

Idle Cars at Present.

"The railroads have 225,000 coal cars standing idle at this time and the mines are only working from one to three days a week. With one of the biggest grain crops to move in history."

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