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H.N. GAMBLE FOUND NOT GUILTY OF KILLING OF WILLIAM WIGGLESWORTH

Aged Union Man Freed of Charge Placed Against Him Last November; Jury Returns Verdict After More Than Five Hours of Deliberation.

H. N. Gamble, aged Union, Ore., resident, was absolved of connection with the killing of William Wigglesworth, his neighbor, on the night of November 16th, 1924, late last evening when the circuit court jury returned, following deliberation that lasted more than five hours, with the verdict: "Not Guilty."

The final arguments were delivered for the state just before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon by F. S. Ivanhoe, who with Carl Helm, district attorney, conducted the prosecution.

Eloquent Appeal. At the opening of the afternoon session James Nichols made a last eloquent appeal to the jury to acquit Gamble.

After a brief intermission following Mr. Ivanhoe's final argument the jury again took its place and Judge J. W. Knowles began his instructions.

He opened by presenting three degrees of murder and defining them as first degree, second degree and manslaughter in the regular way as required by statute.

Although the jury was allowed five alternatives, the first was to find the prisoner guilty as charged. In this event the judge would have been required to sentence Gamble to be hanged as required.

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WOMEN WILL LEAD SERVICE

A chorus of 50 women, comprising the personnel of the Monday Musical club will be heard in a brief recital in connection with the vesper services at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

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An invitation is extended to all members of the Neighborhood club and their friends to be present.

Following is the program for the evening: Leader—Mrs. G. S. Birnie. English Ballads—Isabel Miller. (a) "Barbara Allen" (b) "She Wore a Wreath of Roses" Minuet—Mrs. Wells dance students.

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Three Day Agriculture Conference is Planned

Because of widespread interest in the Union County Agricultural Economic Conference, it has been found necessary to hold a three day session this year instead of a two day conference as had originally been planned.

C.Y. Beale Found Guilty, Fined \$500

C. Y. Beale was arrested by the officers at his home near Lone Tree, with a quantity of moonshine and other home brew beverages in his possession, Thursday.

George M. Pierce, who is working out of the office of Carl Helm, district attorney, assisted by C. P. Hatbrook and John Striker, made the arrest.

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All America To Listen To Inauguration

Ceremony and Speeches to Be Broadcast over United States, Companies Declare.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—A coast to coast radio net to carry President Coolidge's inauguration ceremony was outlined in an announcement today of the plans of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, and the Radio Corporation of America.

This will mark the first time the whole country will be able to listen to such a ceremony by wireless.

HOUSE BILL APPROVED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The senate approved without debate the house bill awarding distinguished service medals to the army world officers and advancing them in army promotion lists.

REFUSED TO REPORT BILL

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The house commerce committee today refused to report a bill authorizing the elimination of the Pullman surcharge.

UNION COUNTY MASONS MEET

Members of the Masonic lodge from Union, Cove Egin, Summerville and La Grande, about 150 in all, met last evening in the local Masonic hall for the first of a series of county meetings.

The next county meeting will be held at Summerville, Friday, April 10.

STOLEN CAR IS RECOVERED

Two hours after it had been reported to the police that Charles Playle's Jewett brougham sedan had been stolen last night, the car was returned to its owner.

The car had been parked in front of Mr. Playle's residence on Main street and it was discovered missing about 7 o'clock. A thorough search by the traffic officer resulted in finding the machine about 9 o'clock and the arrest of two boys, one aged 14 and one 16 years of age, who had taken the car for a joy ride.

CANDY DISPLAY IS INSTALLED IN C. C. SHOW WINDOW

The display in the chamber of commerce window at present is what can truthfully be termed a "tasty" arrangement, for it is that of the Sanford and White Candy Shop.

A number of kinds of candy are on exhibition in the window, all of which were made by A. M. Sanford and Pearl Williams, owners of the shop.

COMMERCE BANQUET IS ARRANGED

Marshall Dana, Oregon Journal Associate Editor to Be Speaker

DINNER WILL BE IMPORTANT EVENT

Food to Be Donated by La Grande Merchants, Boosting Eastern Oregon Products.

Although the entire program has not yet been made public, the Annual Chamber of Commerce banquet which is to be held in the hall of the J. O. D. P. Temple, Oregon, on Saturday, March 7, will undoubtedly be one of the biggest events of the spring season.

Marshall N. Dana, associate editor of the Oregon Journal will deliver the principal address on the subject, "Community Loyalty." Mr. Dana is widely known throughout the state and northwest through his talks and newspaper articles on Oregon development.

The food for the banquet is being donated by various merchants of the city and a particular effort will be made to utilize Eastern Oregon products in the appointments of the feast as well as in the fare.

Mrs. J. J. Burbridge assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Leona Scott, will be the caterer. Mrs. Burbridge's ability along these lines is well known to La Grande people through her long connection with the Country club in the same capacity.

Decorations will be in charge of the Richardson Art and Gift shop with the direct supervision of Mr. Richardson. Cherry Florists will present some lovely in attendance with a beautiful bouquet of roses.

The public is cordially invited. Both men and women are urged to attend. Admission to the banquet will be by ticket only, according to Earl Reynolds, secretary of the chamber of commerce. The tickets will go on sale next Monday and must be purchased in advance.

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55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IS CELEBRATED

UNION, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Dr. and Mrs. E. D. McKenney recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. A few guests were invited and a fine dinner was served in honor of the occasion.

3-Hour Coyote Chase By Hounds Successful

Three bloodhounds, belonging to Jack Hilary, ran a coyote into a barn at the Adolph Newlin place near Morgan lake, a few days ago and killed the animal.

According to reports the hounds chased the coyote for three hours before finally cornering it in the barn.

Dennis Resolution Is Passed By The House

According to a telegram received here late yesterday, the Dennis resolution directed against income and inheritance taxes passed the house Friday afternoon after a strenuous battle with Governor Walter M. Pierce taking an active part in opposing it. The vote on the resolution was 21, no 24.

The Dennis resolution proposes to submit to the people a constitutional amendment to prevent enactment of the income and inheritance laws until 1930.

UNION BOY FOUND DEAD LATE TODAY

LONGVIEW, Wn. (AP Press Time Flash).—Body of Ferrel Hess, 25, found by his father today in brush near mill at Woodland. Hess has been missing since yesterday afternoon. Search was instituted upon discovery of note saying he was despondent and was going to end his life. His death was caused by a bullet in his head. He formerly lived in Union, Oregon, and attended the University of Oregon at Eugene.

Ferrel Hess is well known in La Grande and news of his death came as a distinct shock to his many friends here today. Further details are lacking.

MONDAY WILL BE A HOLIDAY

Although George Washington, "the father of his country," was actually born on February 22, the day coming on Sunday this year makes it necessary to observe his birthday anniversary next Monday.

The banks, the post office, the city offices and the offices of the county officials at the court house will all be closed to business on Monday.

The post office employees will have a vacation and none of the windows will be opened during the day. Regular distribution to the boxes and sorting of the mail for the trains will go on as usual.

Schools Plan Programs. Although the schools will not close appropriate exercises will be held in all the public educational institutions in the city, it was announced today by A. C. Hampton.

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KING GEORGE IS NOT YET FAR UP ROAD TO HEALTH

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—A bulletin issued today on the condition of King George, suffering from bronchitis, said: "His health is not yet settled. Progress continues, though slowly."

Senate Approves Pact To Recognize Turkey

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The Lausanne treaty for the reestablishment of full diplomatic and commercial relations with Turkey was approved today by the senate foreign relations committee.

Whipping of Prisoners Is Legal in Colorado

CANON CITY, Colo. (By the Associated Press)—Whipping as a part of discipline in Colorado penal institutions is legal, the state civil service commission unanimously ruled late Friday in acting on a motion by attorney of Prisoner Governor's office, who is presenting charges of prisoner mistreatment against Thomas J. Tynan, penitentiary warden.

The use of the lash is permissible, the commission declared, in defining the construction of the state law giving authority to the prison warden to use "whatever force is necessary" to compel obedience and enforce discipline.

Two Great Presidents



These striking silhouettes are of the first president and the most recent. Apparently the only difference is in the line of the lips. Note George Washington's full parted lips, and the thin compressed line of Coolidge's mouth. The silhouette of Washington's profile is from the original, cut with scissors by Miss Dehart of Elizabethtown, N. J. in 1883. Coolidge's profile is taken from his most recent photo.

U. S. STEAMER IS RELEASED

HANKOW, China. (By the Associated Press)—The steamship Chineseen, flying the American flag, and its personnel, were released from detention by Chinese military authorities at Kweichow today after the boat had been held to be the cause of drowning of a Chinese officer and two soldiers, who were trying to board the Chineseen.

According to information here concerning the drownings, the unfortunate were "unacceptable passengers."

MRS. BUDLONG LEAVES N. Y.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Mrs. Budlong's whereabouts is uncertain today, although indications are that she has gone to Newport, R. I., her husband's home.

Her husband's chauffeur declared he had driven her to the station for Newport where she would establish residence with her husband, a prominent oil magnate.

She left her husband's apartment unexpectedly yesterday and held her head high, her face betraying no sign of the six days she spent without food. She was wrapped in an old coat and hurried to the waiting limousine.

Three Men Killed In Oil Barge Explosion

PHILADELPHIA (By the Associated Press)—Three men are reported killed and a number injured as the result of an oil barge, moored in Schuylkill river, blowing up.

Frank Doremus Gave U.S. "Standard Time"

(By Harry R. Hood) WASHINGTON (NEA Special).—Standard time, that arbitrary division of hours within fixed zones that enables America to travel in accordance on the daily parcel report and bedtime story to catch its trains, owes its being to an almost forgotten employee in the treasury department. This employe worked out his idea of a standardized time on an old walnut clock in one of the department offices.

17 BODIES ARE TAKEN FROM MINE

Fifty-One Believed Killed in Explosion in Indiana Yesterday

HEROISM SHOWN BY RESCUE MEN

Miners' Lamps Believed to Have Set Off Pocket of Gas, Causing Fatal Blast.

SULLIVAN, Ind. (By the Associated Press)—The seventeenth body was removed from the City Coal mine today, where an explosion occurred 51 men yesterday. He was identified as Russell Dowdy.

MINE BLAST FATAL. SULLIVAN, Ind. (By the Associated Press)—In an explosion of gas that wrought the greatest mine disaster in the history of the Indiana coal fields, 51 men are believed to have been killed almost instantly at 10:45 o'clock Friday in the City Coal Mining company mine on the outskirts of this city.

There were 121 miners in the mine at the time of the explosion which occurred in the third and fourth entries north, where most of the men were at work, who were killed. Rescue crews went to work at once and the rescue car of the United States bureau of mines at Vincennes, Ind., reached the scene of the disaster by motor truck at 11:45 o'clock, one hour after the terrific explosion. They were on the bottom within 35 minutes after arrival.

All Thought Dead. C. O. Thomas, check weighman at the mine, the official of the mine and rescue workers all were of the opinion that there is no possible chance of the men being alive.

Miners who were injured were brought to the surface at once. The work of bringing out the dead proceeded slowly, the bodies being brought singly. Rescue workers were handicapped by fumes of gas which flooded the mine immediately after the explosion.

Tremendous crowds thronged the scene soon after the word of the disaster spread throughout the

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DEFI HURLED BY PRODUCERS

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Complications have developments in Broadway's spicy play epidemic which District Attorney Stanton and numerous civilians are trying to stamp out.

Producers of "Desire Under the Elms," by Eugene O'Neill, have refused to consider Stanton's instructions to withdraw the play by next Wednesday, saying they invite prosecution.

HAUGEN BILL IS FAVORED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The senate agriculture committee today ordered a favorable report on the Haugen bill to create a federal cooperative marketing board.

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This clock is equipped with six hour hands of different colors, to record respectively the time of the prime meridian, at Greenwich, England, and the time with in each of the five "standard" zones he proposed for the United States—Atlantic, Eastern, Central, Mountain, and Pacific.

The old clock, with its various colored hands, still ticks out the time over in the treasury.

A prevailing reporter recently "discovered" it there and sought to trace its history. Beyond learning that it was the "daddy" of all standard time clocks, however, his inquiries were futile.

Publication of the story, however, brought about identification of the inventor.

An "old-timer" revealed him as Frank Doremus, a treasury employe with an inventive bent, who died a few years ago while examining inventions at the

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