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CORONER'S JURY BELIEVES NOBODY IS RESPONSIBLE

MRS. W. G. KENT, WITH FRACTURED SKULL, INTERNAL INJURIES, IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

INJURED WOMAN DRIVER TELLS STORY IN DRAMATIC MANNER

Frantic Effort to Save Mrs. Myers When She Was Caught Between Wire and Car Are Related in Great Vividness.

A coroner's jury Friday completely exonerated Mrs. F. W. Orpin from all blame for the automobile accident which Thursday night resulted in the death of Mrs. W. H. Myers, 3001 Sixty-second street, S. E. Portland, the serious injury of Mrs. Orpin's mother, Mrs. W. G. Kent, proprietress of the Hotel Amedeo, Third and Salmon streets, Portland, and minor injuries to herself and other members of the party of seven. The accident occurred on the new county hard surface road between Oregon City and Parkplace.

The coroner's jury found that Mrs. Myers came to her death by "strangulation resulting from being under an accidentally overturned automobile driven by Mrs. F. W. Orpin and the jury believes no blame is attached to Mrs. Orpin or to anyone." The jury was composed of Maxwell Victor, foreman; G. E. Long, George Hall, W. N. Trudell, J. B. Bowland and Sam Jones.

Mrs. Kent's Condition Serious.
Mrs. Kent, who is at the Oregon City hospital, is in a critical condition. She is suffering from a fractured skull, numerous cuts and bruises and from internal injuries. Dr. Hugh S. Mount, who was the first physician to arrive at the scene of the accident Thursday night, is attending her.

R. A. Wells and his wife, who were in the car at the time of the accident, Dr. H. S. Mount, Jack Bannan, one of the first to arrive at the scene of the accident, and Mrs. Orpin were examined at the inquest. The jury then went to the Oregon City hospital where an effort was made to secure a statement from Mrs. Kent, and later to a local garage where the damaged machine is held. The steering gear of the automobile was found to be in perfect condition, ending the theory that the accident might have been caused by broken steering apparatus.

Woman Not Expert Driver.
Mrs. Wells related the story of the accident in a straight-forward manner, telling how he threw his four-year-old son, Edward, from the machine into a clump of roadside bushes when he saw that the machine was about to tip over, and how he warned Mrs. Orpin that she was off the road. Upon examination he said that she had run the car into a woodpile on Main street when she attempted to bring it to a stop. Mrs. Orpin was not accustomed to running a machine, he said, and he and her husband had used it only about six weeks or two months before the accident. The Wells and Orpin families are neighbors in the Glen Harbor district near Linton. Mrs. Wells' testimony bore out that offered by her husband, Dr. Mount and Mr. Bannan had nothing new to add to the case.

The feature of the inquest, however, lays in the testimony of Mrs. Orpin herself. She was supported into the room by her father and Mrs. Wells and sank at once into a chair. She was severely bruised in the accident, but she suffered no broken bones.

"Tell the jury, Mrs. Orpin, just what happened as you remember it," said Coroner Hempstead.
Mrs. Orpin Tells Her Story.
Tears welled to the witness's eyes for a minute, and she looked fixedly

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POLITICAL PROPHET NEEDED TO FORECAST 'INDEPENDENT' MOVE

POSSIBILITY OF FOURTH CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF DISTURBS "DOPE" OF ASPIRANTS.

If there are any political clairvoyants in the county seat who can foretell the future, they will confer a favor upon various and sundry interested parties by clearing the mystery about the possibility of the appearance of an independent candidate for sheriff. Clackamas county is at present blessed with three candidates for this office—the Republican incumbent, a Democrat and a Socialist.

D. E. Frost, constable and a few other things, says he has heard that there is going to be an independent candidate for sheriff. And there Jack Frost stops—he will not say where he heard this, or whom he has reason to believe the independent candidate will be. Jack has said just enough to create an entertaining political mystery; and hence there is an opportunity for political clairvoyancy.

The state election laws provide that any political party not represented at the primaries may have until September 27 to name such an independent candidate, and any group of voters who may be dissatisfied with what the present field has to offer, may have until October 12 to name an independent candidate for a county or district office. With all this time remaining, the need of some seer to forecast possibilities is all the more acutely felt in certain quarters—for should an independent shrewdly candidate bob up, it would make a profound difference in at least two of the forthcoming campaigns.

While Jack Frost has whetted curiosity in this line, some other local publicists have gone even further, and have admitted grudgingly that they "have heard" that a prohibition candidate will be sprung in due time. Local prohibition leaders, however, scout this rumor, and say that there is nothing to it. And in the meantime the politically inquisitive are seeking light.

SHERIFF ASKED TO FIND MISSING MAN

PETER ZIMMERMAN, FARMER OF HUBBARD COUNTRY, LEFT HIS HOME LATE LAST MONTH.

Sheriff W. J. Wilson has been asked to institute a search for Peter Zimmerman, a farmer living near Aurora. Mr. Zimmerman left his farm about June 20, saying he was going to Hubbard, and was seen by friends in that town about that time. Later a friend reported seeing him in Oregon City.

The missing man is described as about five feet tall, weighing 140 pounds, and is about 45 years of age. When last seen he was wearing ordinary working clothes and heavy shoes, and had a short chin beard. Zimmerman is quiet in his habits, and speaks German fluently. Formerly he worked for the Northern Pacific railroad at Spokane, so it is believed he may seek employment with some railroad.

The report that he was missing was sent to the sheriff by his wife, who requests that any news of his present whereabouts be sent to her at Hubbard.

TITLE IS QUIETED.
Circuit Judge Campbell Tuesday signed a decree quieting title to lots 1 and 2 of block 21, Oregon City, in the suit of George A. Harding against the Clackamas County Female seminary, the Oregon City seminary and all others claiming interest in the land. Hammond & Hammond represented Mr. Harding in the case.

VETERANS SEND AGED WARRIOR UPON HIS WAY

ANDREW J. WILCOX TRAVELS TO ROSEBURG HOME CHEERED BY LOCAL COMRADES.

MAN FOUND EXHAUSTED UPON SANDY ROAD WELL CARED FOR

Members of Local G. A. R. Post Pay Fare From Organization Funds and Give Unfortunate Traveler Big Supply of Provender.

Andrew J. Wilcox, the 92-year-old veteran of the Civil War who was found lying by the roadside near Sandy Tuesday, was sent on his way to Roseburg Wednesday, his fare paid and food provided by members of Meade Post No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic.

The old fighter met many Oregon City comrades Wednesday and related many times for their benefit his story of being turned out of his son's house ten miles from The Dalles, of his attempt to walk from Portland to Roseburg, of his adventure in the maze of roads of eastern Clackamas county and, finally, of being picked up by a party of automobilists and brought to Oregon City. He presented a quaint picture. The old man wore big rimmed shell spectacles. In spite of his wanderings, his clothes were clean. His back was hunched, his features contracted, his eyes weak with four score and 12 years of use.

At Roseburg the aged veteran will apply for temporary admission to the soldiers' home. Then he will communicate with the home at Monte Vista, Colo., to which he was once admitted, and ask that they take him again.

COURT HOLDS TOOZE MUST PROVE MALICE

DEMURRER IN \$20,000 LIBEL ACTION OVERRULED BY JUDGE CAMPBELL.

Circuit Judge Campbell Friday overruled the demurrer of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cartledge in the \$20,000 libel action filed by City School Superintendent Tooze against them. The defense was given 15 days in which to file an answer to the complaint.

Although the demurrer was overruled, the defense is much pleased with the decision of the circuit court that Bulletin No. 1, on which the action is based, is not actionable per se. In other words, Superintendent Tooze must prove malice to complete his case. C. Schuebel protested against the ruling of the court that Bulletin No. 1 was not actionable per se, protesting that he could prove libel in the document itself.

"I regard the ruling as a practical victory for the defense," said Walter A. Dimick, one of the attorneys for Mr. and Mrs. Cartledge. Judge Grant B. Dimick and Will L. Mulvey also represent the defense.

TWO WEEKS OF COURT SET FOR SEPTEMBER

Deputy County Clerk Fred Miller Friday sent out notices of almost two weeks of cases in the circuit court, beginning September 5. The docket for the two-week session as far as it has been completed follows: September 5, Robeson vs. Lintin; September 6, Harding vs. Young; September 7, Clarke vs. Willamette Valley Southern; September 8, Thompson vs. Braasch; September 9, Krenner vs. Rialley; September 11, Martin vs. Portouy; September 12, Willamette Valley Southern vs. Clark.

BARLOW ROAD WILL OPEN.

The Barlow road, leading past Mount Hood, into eastern Oregon, is open at last, according to information which reached here Monday. Late spring snow has made the road impassable a month later than usual. Even now there is as much snow on the foothills of the Cascades as there usually is late in May or early June. Snow storms in the mountains within the last few days have been reported here.

WIFE CHARGES DESERTION.

Genevieve Dunning charges desertion against Callest S. Dunning in a divorce suit filed in the circuit court Tuesday. They were married October 19, 1902, in Portland and have one child of whom she asks the custody. She asks for \$25 monthly for the support of the child and \$50 attorneys' fees.

GUN FIGHT IN SEATTLE BAR ROOM

POLICE KILL EX-CITY CONTROLLER AND TWO OFFICERS ARE WOUNDED.

PROPRIETOR IN FIGHT

Order to Officers to Get Out of Hotel Bar Brings Hot Pistol Fight—William Bothwell Shot After Firing at Policemen.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 17.—William Bothwell, former Seattle city controller, and recently a special officer on the waterfront, was killed and W. W. Morris and C. V. Harvey, members of the prohibition enforcement squad, of the Seattle police force, were seriously wounded in a pistol fight, which resulted from a raid on the Ferguson bar, in the Ferguson hotel, here late this afternoon.

Morris was shot through the shoulder and Harvey through the arm. Both men are expected to recover.

According to statements made by Morris at the City Hospital tonight, he and Harvey entered the Ferguson bar, after sending J. T. Epler, another member of the prohibition squad, in ahead to see if he could buy intoxicating liquor over the bar. He said that Epler had a glass of whisky in front of him when they entered and that J. A. Farnham, proprietor of the hotel, who had been serving the drinks, attempted to prevent the officers from seizing this liquor.

He said that Bothwell then ordered the officers out, and when they showed him their police badges, he pulled out a revolver and repeated his order. Though Morris attempted to wrench the weapon from his hand, he is said to have freed himself, shot Morris through the shoulder and then opened fire on Harvey, who was grappling with Farnham behind the bar.

Both patrolmen say that Farnham had also drawn a pistol.

Morris managed to drop Bothwell after four shots and when Bothwell later attempted to shoot again, Harvey kicked the weapon from his hand and knocked him over with his fist. Additional police assistance arrived a few minutes later and the three injured men and Farnham were taken to the city hall. Bothwell died while being carried into the City hospital.

INJURED MARINE IS HOME.

Ralph Terrill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Terrill, was brought to his home in this city Monday. He was a marine on the Marblehead and was injured when climbing aboard of the ship, the fingers of both hands being crushed. He was taken to a Portland hospital where his injuries were dressed. Although at first it was feared that it would be necessary to amputate several of his fingers, but now it is believed that all can be saved. Mr. Terrill was a member of the national guard three years and in the coast guards three years before joining the naval reserve.

MEMBERS CREW ARE SAID TO BE TERROR STRICKEN

SECOND ENGINEER SAYS FRIENDS OF MEN ON SUBMARINE ARE PRAYING FOR SAFE TRIP.

NETS, NOT GUNS OF ENEMY, ARE FEARED BY DEUTSCHLAND SAILORS

Conning Tower Closed, Spars Are Taken Down and Tug Awaits Vessel Which is Expected to Slip Out of Harbor Soon.

BALTIMORE, July 19.—At 11 o'clock tonight the two spars of the German merchant submarine were taken down and the conning tower closed. Close at hand lay the tug Thomas Timmins with a full head of steam up.

In the vicinity of the submarine were numerous launches with agents of the Eastern Forwarding company patrols aboard. At 11:05 o'clock one of these craft hailed a newspaper launch and tried to induce the reporters to leave.

"You're interfering with our plans," the watchman said.

Members of the crew whose names will go down in history as creators of a new commercial era are said to have expressed the feeling that they are running into serious danger. They are quoted by friends as saying that Captain Paul Koenig, the dapper and daring commander of the submarine, is doing everything in his power to keep up their spirits and make them look on the bright side of the affair, but the men cannot see this side of the venture.

"We are praying every night, and are getting our friends to pray for us," Second Engineer Karl Fruechte told a friend he has been spending his evenings with since the crew have been stranded here. This same friend today told the story of the terror-stricken crew to a representative of the New York Tribune, not knowing at the time that he was talking with a reporter.

"The crews have order to be ready to leave at any moment," said this friend of Fruechte this afternoon. "They cannot bring themselves to see how the Deutschland will escape the enemy off the Cape. All the men have been talking about since they have been visiting me is of the loved ones they will leave behind, should the U-boat find a resting place at the bottom of the Atlantic. It is not the cannon and the other guns the men fear—it's the nets that the enemy

COUNTY SOCIALISTS MEET.

The Clackamas county local of the Socialist party held its monthly meeting Saturday afternoon in Knapp's hall. Among the business transacted was the appointing of precinct committeemen.

"It is desirable that Socialists in every precinct consider themselves as a committee of one to help the cause in every way they can," said one leader in the party Monday.

"The attendance of all Socialists and near-Socialists are respectfully invited to meet with us at our next meeting, being the third Saturday in August, at 2 p. m."

Oregonians Help Injured Mexicans

An interesting letter has been received from Kent Wilson, of Oregon City, who is connected with the Hospital corps of the Third Oregon, at Palm Beach, Cal. The letter was written Friday, July 14.

Mr. Wilson writes that the Oregon boys enjoyed a real Oregon shower on Thursday evening, July 13. It sounded so inviting to hear the raindrops that they crawled out from under the blankets and enjoyed a shower bath. He adds, "dirt and dust are the main products of vegetation in Palm City, although the orange groves surrounding the city seem to be the center of attraction after nightfall, especially among the boys, who hail from the 'city by the falls,' not exclaiming myself."

"A peculiar incident occurred this morning," writes Mr. Wilson in his letter, "that more firmly cemented the friendship that has long existed between the center forces in Lower California and the Americans on this side of the line. Lieutenant Colonel Augustin Macias, in charge of the Tijuana garrison, was severely injured in an automobile accident that occurred on the Tijuana road at the northern end of our encampment, and was given first aid and surgical attendance by Dr. Marcellus at our emergency hospital."

"It is with difficulty that I find words to express my gratitude for the splendid treatment accorded me by the American soldiers," was the word sent by Lieutenant Colonel Macias to our commanding officer. "They could not have done more for me had I been one of them, and their hospitality and kindness touched me deeply."

"Lieutenant Colonel Macias was en route to San Diego from Tijuana, driven by his Mexican chauffeur. A water tank near our camp had been leaking and flooded the road. Striking the mud and water the car skidded over the embankment and turned turtle. The driver was uninjured, but Lieutenant Colonel Macias was cut on the right hand and arm, and two of his fingers were broken, and it was necessary for Dr. Marcellus to take six stitches in his right hand.

DR. MILLIKEN TURNS DOWN COLLEGE OFFER TO REMAIN IN O. C.

PASTOR BAPTIST CHURCH DECIDES THERE IS STILL MUCH WORK HERE FOR HIM.

Deciding that he would not be giving his church a square deal by accepting a place on the faculty of the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago when he felt that his services were needed here, Rev. W. T. Milliken, pastor of the First Baptist church, has turned down the offer of the Chicago seminary.

"I have lived in Oregon City five years," he said Friday, "and have seen my church grow steadily all the time. There is still much work for me to do here, and I would rather stay in Oregon City than accept the offer from the Chicago seminary. Moreover, I like the Pacific coast far better than the middle west. Oregon appeals to me to stay."

Dr. Milliken outlined the graduate courses leading to a master's and to a doctor's degree in theology and philosophy in the Northern Baptist seminary and has been connected with this line of work for the last 10 years. During the winter he has given lectures on the new testament at the Laymen's Bible school in the Portland Central library.

O. C. PARTY RETURNS FROM FOLEY SPRINGS

HORSE PASTURE MOUNTAIN CLIMBED—COUNTY CLERK CATCHES MANY FISH.

A party composed of Miss Iva Harrington, county clerk, George Harrington, Homer Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutherland and son, Ted, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Courtney and two children, William Black and George Woodward, who left about two weeks ago for Foley Springs, southern Oregon, returned Sunday evening. The party had headquarters at the Foley Springs hotel, and many side trips were enjoyed during their stay at that resort. They climbed Horse Pasture mountain with a height of 6,000 feet. There was plenty of snow on the mountain at the time the ascent was made by the four members of the party. Mr. Harrington and his sister, Miss Iva, were among the members making the climb, leaving Foley Springs at 8 o'clock a. m., and reaching their destination about 1 o'clock. Good time was made in descending and Foley Springs was reached early in the evening.

Fishing is among the sports that is offered to the visitors at this resort, and George Harrington succeeded in getting 500 trout during the stay. Some of these were packed for shipping and were brought home, and enjoyed by his family. Miss Harrington "wasn't slow" either in getting her share of fish from Horse Creek, a branch of the Mackenzie river, catching about 70 fine brook trout.

The trip to Foley Springs after leaving Eugene is made by automobile over a road of 70 miles, many miles along the Mackenzie river. At the time the party made the trip to Foley Springs, the roads were in poor condition, due to the several weeks of rain.

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED.

County Clerk Iva Harrington Wednesday issued a marriage license to Florence Stone and Carl Grossmiller, of Estacada rural route No. 3.

NEW AUDITORIUM FOR 1917 MEET THOUGHT LIKELY

SESSION JUST CLOSED FINANCIAL SUCCESS IN SPITE OF TWO DAYS OF RAIN.

THE AUDIENCE ON LAST NIGHT IS LARGEST OF PRESENT ASSEMBLY

Governor Withycombe Urges Need of Better Roads and Cheaper Money for Farmers at Forum Hour—Kaffir Boys Popular.

GLADSTONE PARK, July 19.—(Special.)—Before a crowd of nearly 5,000 people, the chautauqua curtain for 1916 was rung down this evening. The closing day was a busy one, and from early morning hours the crowds swarmed the park.

Governor Withycombe was the forum hour speaker today. The governor emphasized the importance of Oregon's agriculture and stated the big problem now as to obtain cheaper money for the farmer. The next big problem is that of better roads. The speaker favored a 1 mill state tax which would bring in a million dollars a year and would build all the roads necessary. A competent commission should have charge of the distribution of this state fund.

Robert Parker Miles, addressed a big afternoon audience of almost 4,000 people and gave his famous lecture, "Tallow Dips." This evening the Kaffir Boys' choir was the drawing card and the largest audience of the present session jammed the auditorium and stood on the outside, in an effort to hear the native South African lads. They made a big hit. Immediately following the Kaffir Boys, came the chautauqua fireworks, which have been the annual chautauqua closing feature for years. They were unusually good and were witnessed by probably six thousand people.

In spite of two days of inclement weather the chautauqua was a financial success this year, so the directors stated tonight. With the closing program this evening, probably the last entertainment was given in the old auditorium, which has stood the tests of time for 23 years. An effort will be made during the present year to finance a new auditorium, which will seat 5,000 or 6,000 people. Voluntary stock subscription amounting to over \$20,000 were made tonight and today and with this as a nest egg the directors feel they can in all probability build before the next year.

The 1916 program was a great success from the standpoint of attractions and had it not been for two days' rain, the attendance records of all former years would have been shattered.

ODD FELLOWS INSTALL.

The officers of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows lodge of this city were installed Wednesday evening by R. J. Hodson. The following are those installed: Noble grand, James Shanon; vice-grand, Lou McNulty; recording secretary, L. H. Feaster; financial secretary, H. W. Trembath; right supporter to the noble grand, J. K. Morris; left supporter to noble grand, Martin Sumner; right supporter to vice-grand, F. F. Fuge; left supporter to vice-grand, J. W. Braker; senior supporters, E. W. Scott and F. A. Miles; warden, J. L. Waldron; conductor, R. J. Hodson.

Federal Building For Oregon City Now Seems Near

Prospects for the early construction in Oregon City of a \$50,000 federal building are considerably brightening, following the action of congress in including in the omnibus appropriation bill of an item of \$75,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of a suitable structure for government use in the county seat. Postmaster J. J. Cooke, who received word of the action of congressional leaders Wednesday, believes that Congressman Hawley will be able to have the Oregon City appropriation retained in the present bill, and that favorable action will be taken in the matter.

Mr. Cooke was much elated over the news, more especially as he has spent considerable time in drawing up reports for congress as to available sites in Oregon City for a federal building, and the probable cost of the several tentative locations. If the appropriation is accepted by congress, the \$75,000 will be divided, two-thirds being set aside for the construction of the proposed building; and one-third allowed for the purpose of a suitable site.

That there is a pressing need of a federal building in the county seat has been apparent for many years. Not only has the local postoffice been forced to knock about from one set of inefficient quarters to another; but there has been no room available for offices of other lines of governmental activity. With the erection of a suitable structure for federal use in this city, all department agencies could be centered in one convenient location, and would find room enough for all their needs.

Not only would commodious quarters be provided for the local postoffice and the rural delivery service; but it would be possible to have a federal courtroom here, and there would remain sufficient space to accommodate the offices of the engineering and executive forces of the Oregon City locks, now a federal property. There would also be established, in all probability, a local headquarters for the forest service, and space could also be found for a federal agricultural agent.

10-Year-Old Boy Kicked Over Heart And Dies Instantly

Wilbur Rainwater, the 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Rainwater, was kicked over the heart by a horse and instantly killed Friday morning on the county road near Bolton.

The boy with his parents and brothers and sisters was driving from Bandon to Spokane, their home. He stopped the team to cut a switch from a roadside brush and in climbing back on the wagon put his hand on the hip of one of the horses. The horse kicked the lad squarely over the heart and he dropped back to the road dead.

Dr. M. Strickland was called, and he in turn summoned Coroner W. E. Hempstead. The coroner investigated the case but concluded that an inquest was not necessary.

The home of the Rainwater family is in Spokane. They had spent several weeks at the Oregon coast resort and were on their way back to eastern Washington.

The body will be held at the Myers & Brady funeral parlors in Oregon City until Mr. and Mrs. Rainwater arrive at Spokane when it will be sent to the Washington city for burial. The lad's death was the second accidental death within a period of about 12 hours near this city. While Coroner Hempstead was preparing to hold an inquest over the body of Mrs. W. H. Myers, who was killed on the Parkplace road Thursday night in an automobile accident, he was called away to investigate the death of Wilbur Rainwater.