

BEATTIE GIVEN DEATH SENTENCE

YOUNG MAN ACCUSED OF SLAYING WIFE RECEIVES VERDICT OF GUILT CALMLY.

JURY DELIBERATES LESS THAN HOUR

Virginia Farmers Pray Before They Decide Prisoner's Fate—Members in Union Shout Verdict.

CHESTERFIELD COURTHOUSE, Va., Sept. 8.—Twelve Virginians, mostly farmers, knelt at dusk tonight in the obscurity of the small juryroom of Chesterfield Courthouse, prayed fervently that they might pass judgment aright on Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, who arose from their knees, de-liberated nearly an hour and silently, one by one, recorded a verdict of guilty.

The specter of death which stalked on Middlethian turnpike on July 18, when Mrs. Louise Owen Beattie was slain, stared hard at the young husband, ready to claim his victim by electrocution on Friday November 24. But the prisoner retained the gaze, unwavering and unafraid.

Prisoner Considers Father.

The Court of Appeals will be asked to grant a writ of error and a new trial. Young Beattie, cognizant of the legal weapons yet at his disposal, did not surrender. Instead he consoled his broken-hearted father, and comforted him as he whispered, "I have not lost yet, father."

W. L. Burgess, a square-jawed man with an earnest face, was elected foreman. The jurors balloted, and it was no surprise, they afterward declared, that all voted alike. They prayed that they might not take a life wrongfully and they opened their consciences to one another for nearly an hour, so that they might go back to the courtroom firmly convinced of their duty and of one mind.

Jury Delivers Verdict.

It was nearly dark in the courtroom when the jury returned. Three oil lamps added to the gloom of the scene. The red rays of the setting sun streaked through the windows.

The court asked the prisoner to rise. He calmly stood up and waited. "Have you gentlemen agreed on a verdict?" asked Judge Watson.

"We have," said Foreman Burgess, and almost at the same instant that Judge Watson asked: "What is your verdict?" all twelve men yelled "guilty."

Unversed in law and the forms of a murder trial, the jurymen had not specified what degree of murder. Asked what degree, Mr. Burgess answered simply: "Guilty as indicted." Under Virginia practice murder is presumed to be second degree unless otherwise specified. It was incumbent on the jury to fix the degree, so Judge Watson advised the jurymen to confer again on the point. Seven minutes later they returned with the verdict of "murder in the first degree."

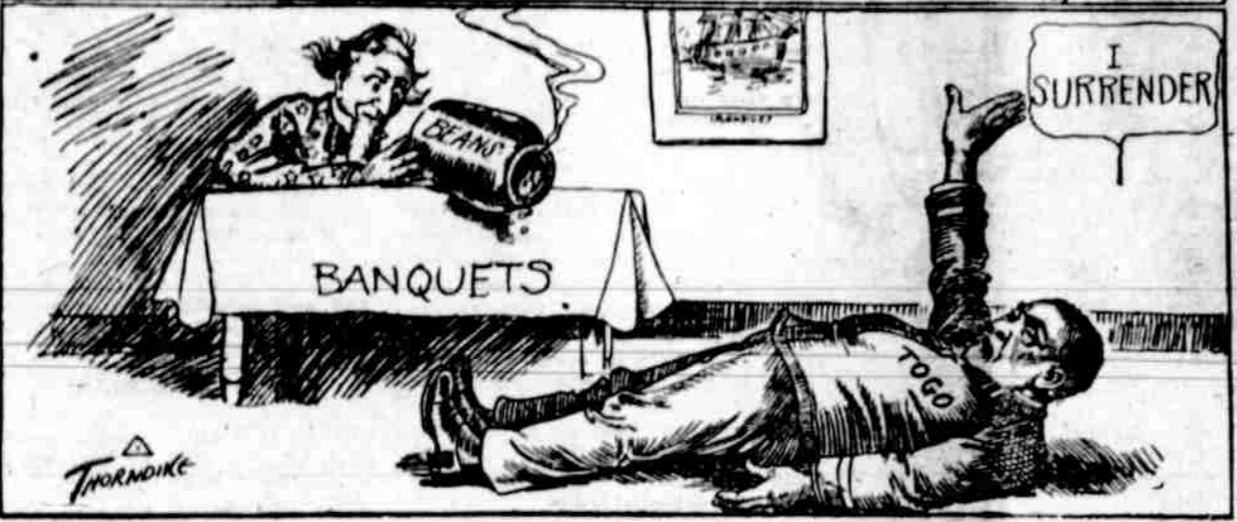
Beattie Sentenced to Die.

The prisoner stood erect and motionless. His face, in color a yellowish-green throughout the day, was im-movable. The light of a lamp cast a dreary shadow on his upturned chin as he faced the jury. His eyelids sagged but did not blink. In steady gaze, he held his eyes on the faces of the twelve men who had pronounced his punishment. When the court asked if the prisoner had anything to say, he answered: "I have nothing to say." He then sat down.

The perfunctory motions for a new trial were made by counsel for the defense.

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DODGING RUSSIAN CANNON BALLS WAS A CINCH COMPARED TO CRUISING THE BANQUET ROUTE IN THE UNITED STATES.



COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERVISORS START WORK



CARL F. ANDERSON.

Supervision of the rural schools of Clackamas county has been undertaken by Mrs. Emilie C. Shaw, Carl F. Anderson and J. E. Calavan, who have been appointed supervisors by the county educational board and who will assist County School Superintendent T. J. Gary in directing the work of the Clackamas county schools working under the direction of the County Superintendent. Their work commenced September 1.



MRS. EMILIE C. SHAW.

In the public schools of Wapakoneta, where she was engaged for five successive years. Her first work in Oregon was at Hood River and in Wasco county schools. Mrs. Shaw resigned her position in Hood River to assume the principality of the Eastham building in Oregon City. She remained there four years, and then went to Milwaukie, where she was head of the public schools four years, leaving to take the position of supervisor.



J. E. CALAVAN.

legue work extended to the junior year and he holds an Oregon State Teachers' diploma. Mr. Anderson was principal of the schools of West Oregon City last year. Estacada will be his headquarters.

2 SAY THEY ARE AUTOIST'S WIDOW

ALMEIDA, CAL., WOMAN FIGHTS FOR INSURANCE ON LIFE OF HARRY CUMMINGS.

BODY TO BE EXHUMED IS REPORT

Victim Of Accident At Parkplace Said To Have Been Nephew Of Rich Woman And Heir To Her Estate.

Charging that Harry A. Cummings, an automobile demonstrator, who was killed recently in an automobile accident at Parkplace, deserted his wife, and made another woman his companion to whom he made payable two life insurance policies, aggregating \$5,000, M. O. Wilkins, a Portland lawyer, was in Oregon City Thursday looking up evidence which will be used in case litigation starts for possession of the estate. Mr. Wilkins represents the widow, Mrs. Sophia Cummings, of Almeida, Cal. He said Friday that it was probable the remains, which were interred in Riverview Cemetery, Portland, would be exhumed in order that a legal identification could be made.

According to the lawyer Mr. Cummings was a nephew of one of the largest stockholders in the Oldsmobile Automobile Company, and as a result his daughter, who is with her mother, is heiress to a large estate. In order for her to obtain this property when it passes from the present owner, it will be necessary to show that her father is dead.

Couple Parted in 1909.

Mr. Wilkins, who has been working on the case several days, says that Cummings and his wife separated in Seattle in August, 1909, and that he went to Portland with Linnie Crossman, whom he introduced as his wife. Meanwhile his wife became seriously ill and with her daughter went to the home of the former's mother in Almeida where she has since lived. The lawyer says he has learned that Cummings took out two life insurance policies in Portland, making them payable to his "wife, Evelyn M. Cummings," who he says is Miss Crossman. The latter, after Mr. Cummings' tragic death went to the home of Frank Motter, a Portland lawyer, and Reading Clerk of the House, where she has since lived. Mr. Motter and his family have been under the impression that she was Cummings' wife, Mr. Wilkins says.

The day after Cummings was killed the body was ordered taken to an undertaking establishment in Portland by a woman supposed to be his widow, and the following day it was buried in Riverview Cemetery. The real Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. Wilkins says, did not know anything about her husband's death until she read of it in an old newspaper. Then she employed the lawyer and he began his investigation. It was not until Friday that he learned where the body had been buried.

Body May Be Exhumed.

"I am not positive whether it will be necessary to exhume the body," said Mr. Wilkins, "but there is a possibility that this will have to be done. We shall fight the payment of the insurance money to any one but the widow of the dead man, and we shall certainly make every effort to protect the interests of the daughter, who becomes heiress to a share in the estate of her father's aunt. How much this will amount to I do not know, but it may be a considerable sum."

Cummings formerly lived in the East and his family is said to have been wealthy. He was a demonstrator for the Speedwell Company in Portland for several months, but lost his position a few days before the accident which cost him his life. L. H. Young, a farmer of Damascus, was killed at the same time, and Frederick Kummer, also of Damascus, the third member of the party, sustained slight injuries. The accident was caused by one of the front wheels running off the road, the machine turning turtle and Cummings and Young being buried under the debris.

EARL OF GRANARD.

English Nobleman Who Married Beatrice Mills of New York.



SAVES MOTHER AND BABIES IN RUNAWAY

It was nothing; it was my duty, and I would hate myself if I hadn't done it," declared Walter Scott, of Kansas City, Mo., who risked his life and was bruised considerably Friday afternoon while stopping a runaway horse attached to a buggy in which were a woman and her two little children.

Mr. Scott, with dress suit case in hand, was standing at the corner of Twelfth and Main streets waiting for a car to Portland, when he noticed the runaway coming down the street at a rapid rate of speed. The mother and her babies were screaming at the top of their voices. Hurling the suitcase aside, Mr. Scott ran to the middle of the street, and as the galloping steed reached him, he seized its bridle. The hero was thrown to his feet and dragged for a half block, but he did not let loose his hold, and finally stopped the animal. The woman and her babies were taken from the vehicle and a crowd gathered around Mr. Scott to offer congratulations. His clothing was torn and his hat was badly battered, but he said he did not care, and after declaring that he had done nothing extraordinary, boarded a streetcar for Portland. Mr. Scott had been a guest for several days of William Clark.

D. C. Robbins, of the Oregon Commission Company, saw Mr. Scott when he stopped the runaway.

"It was the most thrilling and heroic act I ever witnessed," said Mr. Robbins.

PICNICKERS MUST BE QUIET IN WILLAMETTE

Picnickers passing through Willamette on Sundays had better be quiet hereafter. A party last Sunday, while passing through the town was boisterous to an unbearable degree, and the council has instructed J. C. Edwards, marshal, to see that the peace is not disturbed in future. The officer has been instructed to arrest all offenders.

The marshal at the last meeting of the council reported that all streets and alleys had been cleaned as required by an ordinance recently passed, and that almost all property owners obeyed the requirements of the ordinance cheerfully.

MEETING TODAY TO URGE CANAL

COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL GET SENTIMENT OF CITIZENS ON \$754,000 PUBLIC WORK.

ENGINEERS TO BE GIVEN REPORT

Government Will Abandon Enterprise, It is Said, if Residents Oppose Route on East Side.

To learn the sentiment in this city regarding the building of the canal on the east side, around the Falls of the Willamette, President Hedges of the Commercial Club, has called a meeting of citizens for 4 o'clock this afternoon at the Commercial Club. It will be one of the most important meetings ever held in this city, and a lively debate is expected.

Mr. Hedges has taken this action because of the persistent rumors for the past week that the residents of the city do not want the canal on the east side. Representatives of the United States Engineering Department will be in the city Monday, and it is the desire of the management of the club to give them a record of the wishes of the people, that the government may be fully informed before the work is started.

Millmen Fear Canal.

W. P. Hawley, president of the Hawley Pulp & Paper Company, while favoring an open canal, has announced that the building of the canal along the route proposed, will so interfere with the business of the company that it will discontinue operation, and, it is said, the officers of other mills fear the proposed works will greatly hamper their business. On the other hand, it is contended by representative citizens, that the work will be of little, if any inconvenience to the mills, and the benefit to the city will be so great that all patriotic citizens should do everything possible to obtain the canal on the east side.

Representatives of the government, who have been here, have intimated that under no consideration will the existing canal and locks on the west side, owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, be purchased by the government. It is said if the canal is not built on the east side nothing will be done, and the \$300,000 appropriation by the state and an appropriation of the same amount by the United States government will not be used.

Meeting To Be Exciting.

The officers of all the mills that will be affected by the canal have been invited to attend the meeting, and, it is understood, that some of them will have their attorneys attend with them. That the meeting will be one of the most exciting ever held in this city is conceded.

It was largely through the efforts of the Commercial Club that the big appropriations were obtained, and the majority of the members favor the building of the canal on the east side. The work will cost about \$754,000, and it is thought the government will, in another appropriation, supply the money necessary for the completion of the project. Much of this money will be spent in Oregon City, and the retail dealers especially are anxious that the work be started as soon as possible.

City Engineer Noble, who has been investigating the canal plans for the city, declares the route will not seriously affect the mills. L. B. Thomson, the government engineer in charge of the proposed work, told Mr. Noble Friday that it was immaterial to the government whether the canal is built, and if the agitation against it is continued the project probably will be abandoned.

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CROWN PULP MILL IS NOT TO BE ABANDONED

The following letter from A. J. Lewthwaite, resident manager of the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper Company, has been received by the Morning Enterprise:

"We have been advised of the circulation at Oregon City of a rumor to the effect that we intend to abandon our east side pulp mill at Oregon City and remove the same to Camas, Wash.; also that we are in favor of the construction of new locks on the east side of the Willamette River.

"We desire to positively and emphatically deny that we have any intention of abandoning our east side pulp mill or that we are in favor of the construction of locks on the east side of the river which would, according to the published plans thereof, be located through the site of our mill.

"We should appreciate it if you would, through your columns, convey this denial to the public."

PORTLAND-SALEM HIGHWAY ASSURED

SALEM, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The Marion County Court has issued an order to the County Treasurer to set aside funds to cover half the expense of the construction of a bridge across the Willamette River at Newburg, to be used provided that Yamhill County Court set aside the other half for the work. This order was made with the understanding that the taxpayers of St. Paul and Newburg construct a permanent highway to Salem, and it is now but a matter of a few weeks before the dirt will fly between Salem and Newburg. With a good permanent road already completed between Newburg and Tigard, and the assurances from the Clackamas taxpayers that a model road will be constructed from Tigard to Portland, the Portland-to-Salem highway is assured. This highway is to be constructed irrespective of one now under consideration by the Highway Commission appointed by Governor West, and will probably be made ready for use within the next month. It is estimated the bridge across the Willamette at Newburg will cost \$95,000.

SNAKE BITE KILLS JOSEPH DILLMAN

News was received in Oregon City Friday from Independence, Kan., of the death of Joseph Dillman, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dillman. He died August 25 and death was caused by a bite from a poisonous reptile. Mrs. Dillman will be remembered in Oregon City as Miss Nannie Wilkinson. The boy was born in Oregon City. The boy was bitten by the snake while he was playing with friends in a grove near his home. Physicians were summoned at once but they were unable to counteract the effects of the venom.

Hotel Arrivals.

The following are registered at the Electric Hotel:

Mrs. Gertrude Creswell, Borin; William Brown and wife; N. Blair; Ben F. Murray, Polon, Mont.; Fred Creswell, Borin; R. R. Brown, Corvallis; W. T. Echard, Molalla; N. MacDonald, Mullino; B. E. Dunn, H. A. Kayler, Molalla; C. S. Herman, H. A. Youmans, Portland; M. E. Lenke, New York; W. Wheeler.

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