

PORTLAND, OREGON, MONDAY, MAY 11, 1908.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.



in a waiting room on the wharf provided for the boat passengers. She was seen to have loaded a revolver while she was in the waiting room. Several times she sent to the saloon and asked to see Anderson, but he did Once she telephoned for not come. him to bring her a lemon, and he sent it to her, but by another man,

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Calls for Man Who Shot Her.

The saloons close at midnight and shortly before that hour Mrs. Gordon sent to the saloon and Anderson came to the back door and there met her. As to just what followed there were no eyewitnesses. Anderson says as soon as he opened the door Mrs. Gordon put a revolver in front of his face and demanded that he go to the hoat and to North Bend with her. They went down to the boat together, and Mrs. Gordon ordered the boatman to move.

It was then that Anderson shot he with the revolver he carried.

Under instructions of his attorney, Anderson will not talk of the case furthey than to say that he fired in self defense and that he had been warned during the day that Mrs. Gordon had made threats to kill him. Immediately after the shooting Anderson went back to the saloon, where he was arrested a minutes later by Night Officer Condron and lodged in the City Jail.

No Hope for Recovery.

Mrs. Gordon was carried to the Marshfield General Hospital, where an opera-tion was performed. The bullet had penetrated the kidneys and liver and lodged in the spine and could not be extracted. There is little hope for her recovery. Mrs. Gordon has been residing in a house at North Bend. She came to Marshfield last Tuesday night and was arrested for drunkenness. She was put in jall over feited his own ball on a continuance and night and the next day told to leave Marshfield and stay away, and was re-leased on those conditions. Anderson, it is said, went back to North Bend with the woman.

Mrs. Gordon, after the shooting last night, stated that on this occasion Ander son robbed her of \$77. She came to Marshfield, she said, last night for the purpose of taking Anderson back to North Bend and have an officer there arrest him on landing in that city. She says that all she did not flash a revolver but admits that she had one wrapped in paper. She admits also that she told Anderson she and other California places. would shoot him if he did not go to North Beno with her and says that after she fell she would have shot him but could not make her revolver work.

Mrs. Gordon since she has been in the hospital will not tell anything of the alleged counterfeiting gang and if she knows anything she is so far keeping it to herself.

Anderson Well Known and Liked.

The grand jury at Coquille is still in session and Anderson will be taken to that town tomorrow and confined in the County Jail. The case will be immediately presented to the grand jury by Assistant District Attorney Lillijquist. Attorney C. F. McKnight has been engaged by Anderson to defend him. Mrs. Gordon has lived in North Bend

Jordon came to Marshfield early last evening and remained for several hours On her first appearance in Portland she was known by her maiden name of Bet tha Etta Lurch and also as Mrs. Bertha McCord, but when registered at one of the leading hotels of the city she gave the name of Mrs. E. S. Gordon, and H is probably from this name that she af-terward evolved the scheme of claiming to be the bride of the Coos Bay man. In February, 1906, she was placed under arrest at her apartments at her hotel and later taken to San Francisco by Detective Ryan, of the police department of the Bay City. How she escaped from the tolis at that time is not known, but her next appearance in Portland was later in the same year or early in 1907, when she came here and again claimed to have married Edward Sam Gordon, of Coos Bay, at Vancouver, Wash. This Gordon strenuously denied, and when the records at the county seat of Clark county were examined it was shown that some man by the name of Edward Sam Gordon, or who had posed as such, had

wealthy Coos Bay lumberman, whom she

been married to a woman who gave her as Bertha Etta Lurch, of Oregon City. Bertha Etta Lurch originally came from Sacramento, Cal., where her father A. Lunch, conducted a hotel, and she is said to have secured several hundred dollars from him by means of practical swindling, and then to have run away with a man named McCord, and, as she was known as Mrs. Bertha McCord, this

theory is believed by the police. Shortly after Edward Sam Gordon, of Coos Bay, had issued several published statements absolutely denying his conction with the woman known as Ber tha Etta Lurch or Mrs. Bertha McCord, the couple were arrested by Patrolmen Evans and Tennant for raising a dis-turbance in the Hood Hotel. On the night in question, June 14 last, several calls had been received at police headquarters to the effect that a man was threatening to kill a woman, and in re-sponse the officers were detailed to investigate, with the result that Gordon and the woman were arrested. The next day in the Police Court Gordon paid the fine of \$5 assessed the woman on a charge of disturbing the peace, and forthe matter was dropped. The next heard of the Gordons was to the effect that they had been regularly married, and until yesterday morning's episode they had dropped out of sight.

Edward Sam Gordon was in Portland for several days last week and may be here yet, but inquiry at the hotels last night failed to reveal his presence. The troubles of the Gordons, both before and after Edward Sam Gordon is known to have married the woman who so persistently harrassed him, are known all along the Pacific Coast, for the cou-ple frequently engaged in disputes, not only in Portland, but in San Francisco

TROUBLES WITH HER HUSBAND

Mrs. Gordon Familiar Figure in the

Oregon City Courts.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 10 .- (Special.) -Bertha Etta Lurch was a familiar figure in Oregon City last Summer, when she was fighting a suit brought by Edward Sam Gordon to quiet title to his prop-erty, a portion of which was claimed by the woman, who said that Gordon married has in California three years are This the woman, who said that Gordon matriced her in California three years ago. This silegation was denied by Gordon, and in order to make her case the stronger the woman persuaded a man to go with her to Vancouver, Wash, and there imper-sonate Gordon and marry her. This was done, though it was never clearly estab-

strain, and fails to provide any adequate standard by popular vote in the Presidential election of 1896. For years we had been drifting along with an uncertain standard or double standard, really falling between two stools. Then came the political threat that we should be plunged lownward to a silver basis. The shock of this danger atimulated thought in a marvelous way. With phenomenal rapidity the people educated themselves, thought it all out. In July the country was for silver, By September It was wavering,

By November it had made up its mind on the right side. Twelve months ago the American people

first great example of this we have had

In recent times was the adoption of the

remedy in means of issuing new currenc, supplies to meet the extraordinary demand. The shock of this great disaster set men thinking.

throws all the work upon the currency

at a time when it can least bear the

President Returns Home.

WASHINGTON, May 10 .- President Roosevelt, Mrs. Roosevelt and John Burroughs, who have been spending several days at Pine Knot, Mrs. Roosevelt's country place, returned to Washington this afternoon. A special train of two cars brought the party back, the trip being without incident.

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color upon learning his fate. Counsel will move for a new trial to-morrow morning. If this is granted, they say errors which oney regard as vital in the case will not be repeated. If the motion is not granted, notice will be given to appeal to the Supreme Court. There is no question that this case will be fought then to the last ditch. This is the first case on record in Crook

a verdict of guilty.

changed from ten to two for conviction,

th time the jury requested the cou

and this remained until noon today, at

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Oregontan.

W. H. T.-"DEAR ME! I WISH THAT FELLOW WOULD OUIT HANGING AROUND HERE; HE MAKES ME NERVOUS.'



against a stump. The young wome to repeat the instructions relative to the tried to find a pole or plank which they could reach to the dog, but none proved long enough. Then Miss Dall thought of a novel means of rescue. law governing circumstantial evidence. Fifteen minutes later the jury returned She took off her "Merry Widow" and tossed it to the dog, which elimbed in Smith retained his composure during the reading of the verdict, not even changing and was towed ashore by a string that



and he was swept away and would no doubt have drowned had he not lodged

Epidemic of Typhoid Makes Fright-

ful Ravages in Kicy Prison.

KIEV, Russia, May 10 .-- A frightful epi of exanthematous typhoid is raging in the city prison. More than 200 deaths so far have occurred, and practically all of the inmates are infected. The authoritles are withholding details,

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

W. J. Murphy, Railroad Man.

CINCINNATI, May 10.-W. J. Mur-phy, vice-president of the Queen and Crescent route, who was stricken with paralysis on the night of April 4, died at \$:20 this morning at his home in this city.

Archbishop Casanova Ill. SANTIAGO, Chile, May 13 .- Most Rev.

Mariano Casanova, archbishop of Santiago, is seriously 111.

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ma and, in fact, nearly all of the distinctly agricultural districts, voted against the proposition. Fellowing the truce on this question upon its being referred to the committee, the two-thirds rule of control came up, and a spirited debate foilowed

tive. On the other hand, Texas

New York City, Chicago, Milwaukee and

other cities voted as a unite in the affirm-

Debate Two-Thirds Rule.

Chairman Secretary Mousterman of the iles committee reported a clause providng that a two-thirds vote should be necessary for the nomination of candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency. The debate was scarcely under way when adjournment was taken and the proposition will be the first order to-

morrow. The credentials committee reported contests over the seating of delegates Mc-Devitt of California and Goebel of New

Jerney. A provisional committee from the State of Washington also contested the seating of delegates from that state. In each case the delegates were sented pending further investigation of their credentials, The rules adopted by the convention provided for the selection of a chairman

and secretary each day. Morris Hilquis, of New York, was named as temporary chairman for today's session. Frank L Wheat was made temporary secretary,

Welcome at Garrick Theater.

Before the convention proper the delegates met at the Garrick Theater, where they were welcomed to Chicago by Chi-rago Socialists. The theater was crowded and many were turned away. Music was furnished by the United German Sofurnished by the United German So-cieties, the United Scandinavian Societies and the Jewish Singing Society. The meeting opened with the singing of the "Marseillaise" in which delegates and visitors joined. G. T. Fraenickei delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the sity and he was followed by Marrie city and he was followed by Morris Hilqusit, of New York, international sec-retary of the Socialist movement.

The announcement was made at this meeting that E. V. Debs had been de-tained by sickness in his family.

BISHOP MOORE CHARGED

at Conference.

BALTIMORE, May 10 .- The feature of today for the delegates to the Quadren-nial General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was a big temperance meeting at the Lyric, at which Governor Frank Hanley, of Indiana, was the prin-

ioal speaker. During the week there will be considered the charges preferred by Rev. George A. Cooke, of New York, against Bishops David H. Moore, of Portland, Or.; Daniel A. Goodsell, Boston; William F. McDowell, of Chicago, and Joseph F. Berry, of Buffalo, Mr. Cooke churges all four of the bishops with maladministration.

The charges grew out of rulings on charges which Rev. Cooke has preferred against prominent Methodists, including Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley, of New York, Chancellor James R. Day, of Syracuse University, and Professor Borden Bowne, of Boston University. The alloced mal-administration of the bishops is said to lie in the fact that they did not rule correctly when charges against the men correctly when charges against the men were laid before them.

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