

MURDER SUSPECT MAY BE RELEASED

Police Arrest B. D. McLean at Vancouver in Butter- worth Case.

CONVINCED BY HIS STORY

If Prisoner Proves His Innocence, as Seems Probable, Officers Will Be as Free as Ever From Solving Mystery.

Though unable thoroughly to satisfy the officers of his innocence and woefully perplexed in trying to give an account of his movements Tuesday night, B. D. McLean, detained by the Vancouver police in connection with the murder of Harry T. Butterworth at St. John told so straightforwardly and convincingly a story yesterday that his release will likely be ordered immediately.

Many details of his story have been corroborated and in no detail of consequence has a discrepancy been discovered. As a result of the investigation of his movements and his statement, officers endeavoring to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of Butterworth are completely at sea.

McLean Disarmed by Soldiers.

McLean was arrested at Vancouver at an early hour yesterday morning. He was drinking with a number of soldiers in a Vancouver saloon and carelessly informed his newly-made companions that he was armed. The soldiers promptly removed a .32-caliber revolver from him and a police officer placed him under arrest. He is said to have been considerably under the influence of liquor at the time and stated to the officer that he had been in St. John Tuesday night. Accordingly he was confined in the Vancouver city jail pending an investigation.

Yesterday morning McLean made many conflicting statements and, apparently still under the influence of the liquor, was unable to explain his movements either lucidly or coherently. He had recovered somewhat in the afternoon, however, and still shaking and distressed from the effects of two days' drinking unflinchingly underwent a grilling examination by Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald, Sheriff Stevens, Chief Inspector John and Chief Searler, of Vancouver.

Was Going to Seattle.

McLean is a farmer, residing 2 1/2 miles northeast of Eugene. He is an ex-soldier, having served in the islands and having been discharged several years ago at San Francisco. He was married to a young woman from Eugene at Astoria, and has lived on his farm for two years. He came to Portland Tuesday morning, en route, he says, to Seattle to visit a friend who had treated him while in the Army. He is endeavoring, he says, to have his pension increased.

"On the train when I boarded it at Eugene," McLean said, "were two men whom I knew who rode with me to Portland and kept trying to sell me stock in a gold dredging company. They talked together and I saw them several times during the day in Portland and we had more drinks. I stayed around the Grand Central Hotel, though I did not register there and stayed at a rooming-house Tuesday night."

McLean was unable to explain what he did between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock Tuesday night at the various saloons, he said, but not being acquainted with the streets or buildings, was unable to name any particular place he had visited. He had never been to St. John in his life, he said, except once, a month ago, when he was in Portland and went to St. John to look up a friend.

Circumstance Against Prisoner.

A circumstance that was regarded as the strongest bit of evidence against him was the fact that the weapon that was taken from him in the saloon was a .32 caliber, the same size as the weapon used in killing the St. John jeweler. Five of the six cartridges in the chamber contained soft-nosed, steel-jacketed bullets, while the sixth was of a different make and crimp. McLean was unable to explain the difference in the cartridges, but declared the weapon had been loaned him before leaving Eugene by C. F. Hawkins, a clerk in a grocery store at Eugene. Hawkins lives in Olive street, Eugene, between Seventh and Eighth streets. This statement was confirmed last night by an interview with Hawkins at Eugene.

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McLean denied having admitted to a Vancouver policeman that he had visited St. John Tuesday night. He was considerably muddled throughout the examination, but explained any discrepancies in his statements by the fact that he had been drinking. However, he told such an apparently straight story, many of the details of which have already been corroborated by the officers, that little importance is attached to his arrest.

LOANED REVOLVER TO McLEAN

C. F. Hawkins Corroborates Statement of Murder Suspect.

EUGENE, Oct. 22.—(Special.)—C. F. Hawkins, who lives at 284 Patterson street, and with whom B. D. McLean was staying before leaving Eugene for Seattle, said tonight:

"I loaned McLean my revolver and gave him six cartridges. The pistol was a .32 special Smith & Wesson and was almost new. The cartridges I took out of a box from which a few had been taken before. I am quite sure they were all the same kind, as I never knew different kinds to come in the same box, and I think they were Winchester, but I am not absolutely certain about the kind. I did not load the gun but I gave McLean the cartridges to load it."

McLean's people here say he was on the way to Seattle to see a physician, but that he intended to go to Vancouver on the way to see a man who used to work with him. The man he is in Eugene now, a post card came from McLean today, postmarked at Portland, in which he stated that everything was well with him and he expected to go on to Seattle.

CLUB TO HOLD RECEPTION

Irvington Tennis Players Will Entertain Their Neighbors.

The directors of the Irvington Tennis Club have proposed an innovation in that they are to hold a neighborhood reception at the clubhouse tonight. The Irvington Tennis Club, while a tennis club in name, has in reality been an organization for

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The inspectors contend that they have been performing their duties faithfully, and this is also the statement of the contractors, who assert that the inspectors are competent and honest. The contractors are complaining that the private inspection is poor and unsatisfactory, and should be done by regular inspectors.

Big Contract on East Side.

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ANXIOUS TO RETAIN MILLS

Pendleton Men Advance Money to Buy Judd Property.

PENDLETON, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—That the Pendleton Woolen Mills are to be retained in this city now seems to be an assured fact. Local capitalists have decided to advance the money necessary to purchase the plant, put it in running order and provide a working capital, while Jack Wilbur, formerly superintendent and lessee of the Union mills, has consented to accept the management of the plant.

The Judd, present owners, have signified their willingness to sell, and submitted an offer to the local people today. The price, however, was considered a little high, and a counter offer was made. This is now under consideration and there seems to be little doubt that the mills will remain in Pendleton and that they will soon be in operation.

It is understood that the Gordon Falls Textile Company has an option on the plant.

FRIDAY BARGAINS.

Black moire and saten petticoats, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Children's school coats, \$1.95. Women's \$2.00 and \$2.50 new tailored suits at \$11.50. \$1.50 plaid silks, 98c. \$1.50 long silk gloves, 98c. Women's union suits, 47c. Men's wool ribbed underwear, 75c. Heavy white and gray blankets, extra large, \$2.35. Double width Scotch dress plaids, 12c. McAllen & McDonnell, Third and Morrison.

Banquet Bourne at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—About 50 Salem Republicans gathered at a banquet in honor of United States Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., at Willamette Hotel this evening.

Among the speakers were H. D. Patton, W. S. Dunaway, A. M. Crawford, E. Hofer, E. W. Hazard, E. D. Resler, L. T. Reynolds, John P. Robertson, E. M. Croshaw, Alonzo Gesner and F. G. Beckebach.

Marriage Licenses.

TALCHER-BROOKER—Rudolph Tauscher, 22 city; Rose Brooker, 19 city.
ALLEN-BRODIE—Adam Allen, 43 city; Mary Brodie, 34 city.
Wedding and visiting cards, W. G. Smith & Co., Washington bldg., 4th and Wash.

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SUFFRAGISTS IN PRISON

Women Who Stormed House of Commons Sent to Jail.

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Seventeen of the woman suffragists who were arrested October 12, during the "storming of the House of Commons" on charges of disorderly conduct, were today sentenced to the Bow-street Police Court to terms of imprisonment varying from three weeks to three months. The women were offered the alternative of giving bonds for their good behavior, but they elected to go to jail.

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"Brown of Harvard" at the Bungalow.

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Everybody is struck with "Stricken Blind," the sensational melodrama which the Blunkall Stock Company is presenting at the Heilig Theater. If you have never seen it, it is a play that you should no longer delay. Go tonight and enjoy yourself.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

"The Road to Yesterday."

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AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS.

Tramps at the Orpheum a Riot. The seven hobos at the Orpheum are impressive. Never before has there been such a demonstration accorded a vaudeville stunt. Never again will there be so many funny comedians gathered together in any act. One continuous stream until "Little Salome" makes her appearance; then it's a riot.

Packed Houses Greet Hardeen.

Hardeen, the king of handoff kings in drawing large and enthusiastic crowds to the Vaudeville Theater this week. His latest scientific trick, the death defying milk-can mystery, is drawing wide attention. It is an act that you see only once in a lifetime.

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