

WAS PERDUE SO CRUSHED?

Fine Point of Defense in Murder Trial of Walter Johnson.

CONFESSION READ TO JURY

Signed Statement Made by Prisoner While in Multnomah County Jail Becomes Part of Court Record.

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 11.—(Special.) The second day of the Johnson murder trial closed this evening with a night session. Johnson's confession, made in the Multnomah County Jail, and signed by Johnson, was read by Deputy Sheriff Leonard of Portland. In this confession, Johnson told how he and Perdue had quarreled on the early morning of July 4, and that Perdue had called Johnson a vile name and had told him that he would kill him. Johnson, according to his story, then shot Perdue with the rifle he had in his possession.

Cosper is Corroborated. Parks, who corroborated Cosper on many things, loaned Johnson a revolver before leaving.

Charles Weber, a resident near Timber, swears that he saw Johnson and Perdue the day before the murder, going toward the Burgholzer cabin where the killing took place. Two boys, Delmar Davis and William McPherson, testified that they saw Perdue traveling toward Buxton along the next day. This was the day that Sheriff Hancock corroborated the Johnson confession and swore that the defendant identified the watch and chain which belonged to Perdue and which the defendant had thrown out of the window of a lodging-house where he roomed in Portland. Johnson, the officers where to find these articles.

Iron Instrument of Death.

The Sheriff swore that he brought into the county from the iron which is yet believed to be the instrument with which Perdue was slain, a piece of wagon tire about 20 inches in length, made into a falling board support at the Burgholzer cabin, and that it was covered with hair and congealed blood. Dr. Hines, of Forest Grove, and Dr. F. A. Bailey, of Hillsboro, who examined the skull for the state, stated that in their opinion no bullet would cause the severe fracture at the base of the skull and the physicians think the break must have been very extensive, more than possibly could have been made with a bullet.

Prisoner Insists He Used Gun.

The idea of the state seems to be that Perdue was killed by a blow on the head and that he was not shot. On this important theory the matter of conviction or acquittal will hinge, as Johnson has all along insisted that he shot and that he was in self-defense, although he admits robbing the dead man.

HEINZE WINS LAND SUIT

Defeats Canadian Pacific in Effort to Divide Valuable Holding.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—F. Augustus Heinze, the Butte millionaire, won a signal victory in the court of appeals here this afternoon over Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific. The suit relates to the division of 300,000 acres of land embraced in a provincial government grant of 15 years ago to the Columbia & Western Railway. The railway, then owned by Heinze, was sold over by the Canadian Pacific Railroad. The land grant, now worth millions of dollars, was retained by Heinze until the Canadian Pacific Railroad two years ago brought suit to compel the Butte mining man to make a selection of his undivided half of the land, which will then become taxable. At the trial the Canadian Pacific Railroad won, but today's appeal reversed this decision.

WANT WATERWAY BONDS

Rivers and Harbors Congress Votes for Federal Action in Projects.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—With great enthusiasm the National Rivers and Harbors Congress at its concluding session here today placed itself on record in favor of the issuance of Government bonds for the improvement of the great waterways projects.

COYOTE WAR TO BEGIN

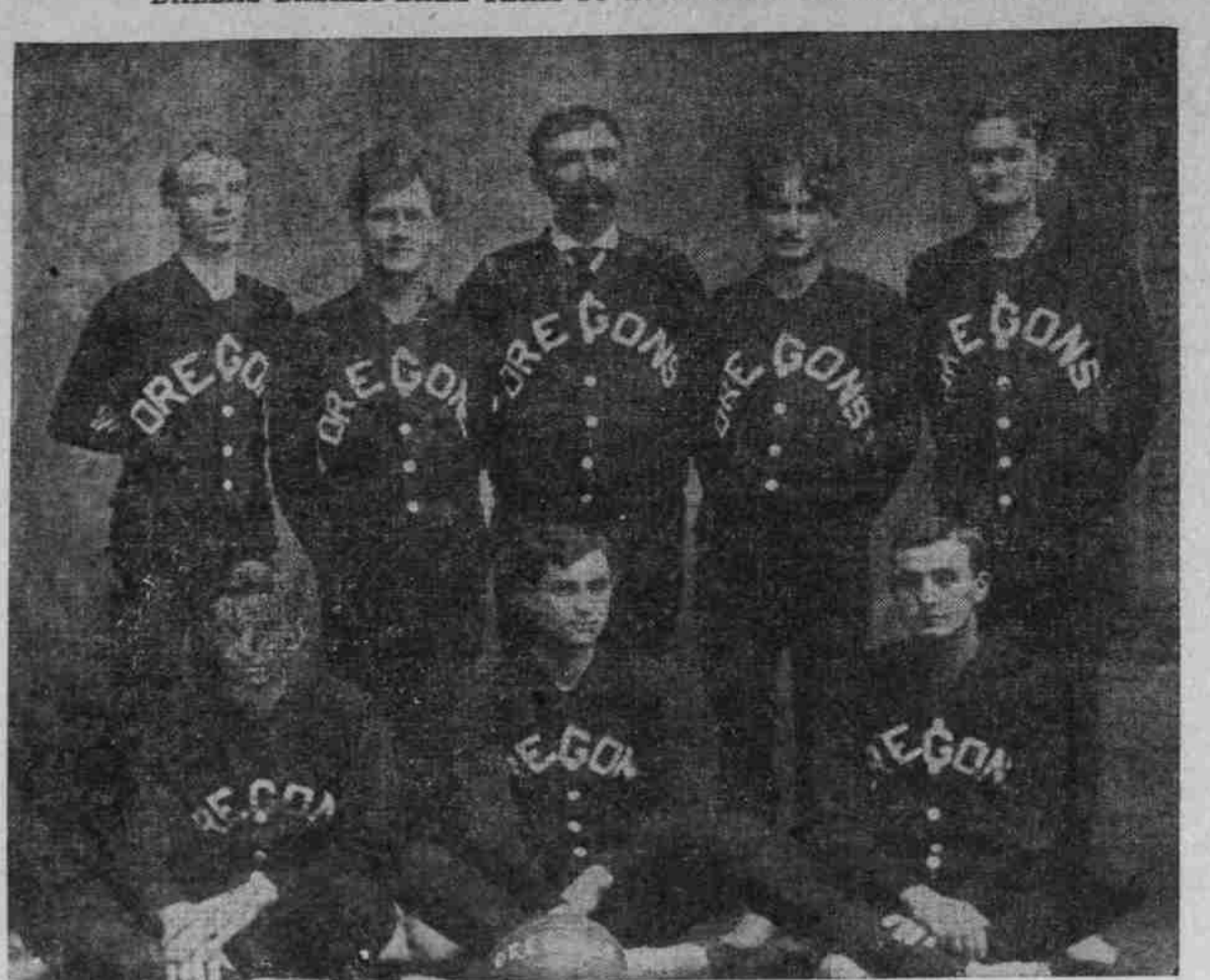
Sheepmen Propose 31 Days of Slaughter During January.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—County is this place by the Oregon coyotes in the State of Oregon, according to plans which have been announced by Secretary Dan P. Smythe, of the State Sheep Commission and the State Woolgrowers' Association. During the coming month the flockmasters of the state are to wage a concerted and systematic warfare upon the pestiferous animal. The woolgrower has to contend with dogs, guns, traps and poison are all to be brought into requisition, and it is expected that the number of coyotes can be greatly reduced during the 31 days in the month which has been designated for slaughter.

Will Ask Calhoun to Be Tried.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—District Attorney Langdon today asked that the trial of Patrick Calhoun, on one of the indictments for bribery, be set for December 21. Judge Lawlor refused on the ground that the defendant was not present. Calhoun's attorney announced that he would telegraph Mr. Calhoun in New York and endeavor to

DALLAS BASKET-BALL TEAM TO ADVERTISE OREGON IN EAST



TOP ROW (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT)—REED, TEAMS (TEAM MANAGER), H. L. FENTON (BUSINESS MANAGER), MORTON, SAVERY. FRONT ROW—CARL FENTON, C. SHAW AND EDWARD SHAW (CAPTAIN).

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—The "Oregon" basketball team, representing the city of Dallas, will start early next week on a tour of the states of the East and Middle West. While on tour they will play 52 games. The team will be supplied with literature advertising the City of Dallas and setting forth the resources of the surrounding country, which will be distributed in every city for the purpose of advertising team passes. The plan was inaugurated by the business men of this city for the purpose of advertising the Dallas, and the team is to be financed on its tour by funds contributed by the commercial interests of the city.

The players, with the exception of Reed, who was formerly a member of the O. A. C. team, have played on Dallas' championship team for several years, three of them having been proposed for membership in an All-Oregon team two years ago.

BELLINGHAM IS DEFEATED

PORTLAND Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL TEAM WINS, 35-17.

Although Score Seems One-Sided, Contest Is Hard Fought—Play Fast and Accurate.

By the score of 35 to 17 the Portland Y. M. C. A. basketball players defeated the Bellingham five at the local association gym last night, and while the score was one-sided the game was quite interesting to the big crowd which crowded the galleries. Fast and accurate play by both teams marked the entire contest, but the speed of the well-trained Y. M. C. A. outfit proved too much for the boys from Puget Sound. The work of Hartman and Young for Portland was as classy an exhibition as has been seen in the city since the game was taken up in the city. So accurate was their work that it seemed impossible for them to miss a basket. These two players seemed to form a pivot on which the other players moved, and like clockwork they passed the ball back and forth until an advantageous point was reached where a basket would usually be the result. Sheets proved a strong factor in the first half, but seemed to let up in his play toward the close of the second half. This was probably due to the handsome lead attained by his team more than to any other cause.

The first half of the game ended with the score at 19 to 10 in favor of Portland, and the advantage gained in this half was maintained during the balance of the contest.

For the Bellingham team Macbeth gained considerable applause by tossing the long basket into the center of the floor. Anderson, of Bellingham, also proved a strong player at guard, while Captain Horn, of the visiting team, proved an excellent defense player, but was weak on tossing baskets both from the floor as well as from fouls. Hartman and Young each tossed five goals, while the former scored nine out of ten fouls.

Gates, of the Portland team, became weakened during the game and was taken out at the request of the medical attendant. His place was taken by Coach Freeman, who played a strong game. Grue, of Bellingham, also became weak, but succeeded in reviving and continuing through the game. The following are the statistics as taken by the referee in a most efficient manner. The teams lined up as follows: Portland—Hartman, Macbeth, Horn, Sheets, Young, Grue, Gates, Freeman. Bellingham—Anderson, Freeman, Grue, Hartman, Macbeth, Young, Gates, Freeman.

MAN, NOT GOD, IS BLAMED

Room Company Accountable When Flood Damages Farmers.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Extraordinary high water in the Lewis River is not an act of God, in the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Joseph Kunis against the Lewis River Boom & Logging Company. The lower court decided against the plaintiff, holding that the flood was caused by an act of God. The Supreme Court says this is an error, as the evidence showed there had been similar floods on such different occasions and finds that defendant company must respond in damages should its booms divert the floods to injure the lands or property of adjoining farmers.

Fleet of Tenders Delayed.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 11.—The six vessels comprising the fleet of tenders and lightships that left New York September 21 for the Pacific Coast were delayed in departing from here today owing to the breaking of a cylinder on board the tender Sequoia.

EXPORTS GROWING YEARLY

United States Shipped Record Total of Manufactures in 1908.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—More manufactures were exported from the United States in the fiscal year 1908 than in any preceding year, aggregating in value three-quarters of a billion dollars, according to the annual report of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor. His report shows that the value of exports to Europe is increasing yearly, being \$368,000,000 in 1908 as against \$355,000,000 in 1907; \$318,000,000 in 1906 and \$283,000,000 in 1905. In 1908 copper led in value of exports to Europe, \$97,000,000 being sent. Refined minerals came next, totaling \$55,000,000, and iron and steel manufactures the value was \$7,000,000. The value of manufactures exported from this country to all North America during the year was \$380,000,000 of which the principal item was iron and steel, valued at \$72,000,000. To South America, which comes third on the list, we exported \$2,000,000 worth of manufactures. The value of manufactures exported to Asia in 1908 was \$72,000,000. Of this, \$25,000,000 was in iron and steel and \$25,000,000 in refined minerals. To Oceania \$40,000,000 worth were sent, \$14,000,000 worth of which was in iron and steel.

ARE SIX MILES AHEAD

Bicycle Racers Set New Record at Madison Square.

FAST PACE MAINTAINED

Only 24 Hours More of Grind Around Track—Three Teams Tied and Unable to Win Advantage.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Within 24 hours of the finish the three leading teams in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden were pedaling steadily tonight, more than six miles ahead of the best mark previously set in these annual contests of endurance and speed. Doggedly keeping up the grind, five other teams were closely following, and like their better placed opponents during the reserve of energy to lead an occasional sprint in an endeavor to steal a lap.

Best placed of all the trailers, Walthour and Root, who are but a lap behind the leaders, tried all through the early morning hours and twice during the afternoon to improve their position. Each time they failed. One of their sprints reached a bare split, Root, Galvin, Demara and Vanoni falling in a heap on the track.

Galvin was the only one who was not able to resume. He was carried to his headquarters, but after vigorous treatment, was back in the arena, ready to relieve his partner, Wiley.

GAME AFFECTS CHAMPIONSHIP

Columbias and Cricketers Clash in Hard Soccer Match Today.

The last league game this season between Columbias and Cricketers, unless they should be tied for the state championship at the end of the series, will be played this afternoon on the baseball grounds. Twenty-fourth and Vaughn streets. Time of calling the game has been moved up to 2:30 from 3:00 P. M. J. A. Dick, of Multnomah, will be referee.

The Columbias are in second place and the Cricketers third at present in the city league soccer race, and the Columbias have to beat a hard team to leave the standing the same as before. Either a defeat or a tie will hit hard the former's chances of taking the championship. Cumming will be back in goal for the Cricketers and Art Mills will be at center. Maclean is another strong recruit, and altogether the eleven is a good one and is confident. The line-ups will be: Columbias—Hayling, goal; Clarke and Dr. Short (captain), backs; J. K. Mackie, Hartman and Honeyman, halves; Burns, Forbes, O. Mackie, Young and T. K. forwards. Cricketers—Cumming, goal; Jago and Mitchell, backs; Kellow, Patrick (captain), Naylor, halves; Eyles, Teal, Mills, Maclean and Mackenzie, forwards.

The match has been expected with keen interest in association football circles, and promises to be hard and close.

CATHOLICS HAVE TWO GAMES

Will Tackle Multnomah and Chemawa Before Closing Season.

The Catholic Young Men's Club football eleven, which is scheduled to meet the Multnomah Amateur Club eleven on the Multnomah Field next Saturday, December 19, and which club had a game scheduled for the same field with the Chemawa Indians, on Christmas Day, has postponed the latter date until December 28, owing to another attraction having secured the field.

The new club has secured some splendid football material, and the games the team has played so far this season indicate that Multnomah is to have an opponent worthy of consideration. The Catholic Club played at Chemawa on Thanksgiving Day, and was defeated by the score of 6 to 0, but owing to the fact that the score was made on a lucky play, the Indians consented to a return game when the Clubmen made their request.

Early in the season a game was requested with Multnomah and Manager Pratt readily consented to give the Al-bina boys a chance. An earlier contest would have been scheduled between the clubs, but the Multnomah management booked all their dates before having heard from the new organization.

O'CONNELL SEEKS ROLLER

Local Wrestler Anxious to See Man Who Boasts So Much.

"Whenever Dr. Roller will place \$500 or more in a bank in Portland, and sign articles to throw me 30 times in one hour of wrestling, as he has boasted he could, I will cover the amount he puts up and need him in private for it," says Eddie O'Connell, the Multnomah Club instructor in wrestling.

"The match will have to be after my match with Davey next Thursday night, but we won't have any trouble agreeing on the date if Roller will just come through with the money. I am looking out for Davey now. I had a wire from him yesterday that he will reach Portland Wednesday."

While the previous match held at the Exposition grounds on at 10 o'clock, after the skating, this one will begin at 8:30 and the skating will be suspended for that one night.

HOLD LAST CHASE OF YEAR

Portland Hunt Club Will Have Cross-Country Run Over Hills.

This afternoon the Portland Hunt Club will hold the last paper chase of this year. The trail is laid on the West Side, and the start will be from the Mount

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Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion, featuring a fisherman carrying a large cod fish on his back. Text includes: 'THIS... is the trade-mark which is on every genuine bottle of Scott's Emulsion. Sold in nearly all the countries of the world. Nothing equals it to build up the weak and wasted bodies of young and old. ALL DRUGGISTS send this ad. four cents for postage, mentioning this paper, and we will send you a complete Handy Atlas of the World.' SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.

Large advertisement for Reed-French Piano Mfg. Co. featuring 'Saturday Specials' and 'A few slashing big discounts to show piano buyers where real piano bargains are to be found.' Includes a list of piano models and prices: SINGER—Two years used, not damaged in the least... \$160.00; KINGSBURY—Large size... \$175.00; WILLARD—Hardly a mar on it... \$190.00; CHICKERING—Owner in California and has ordered us to sell at a big sacrifice for quick money... \$250.00; SCHUBERT—Had just enough use to make the tone mellow and sweet; \$450.00 style... \$290.00; SOMMER—Ebony case. We do not carry this piano regularly; agents for Sommer get \$450.00 for this style... \$315.00; EVERETT—An exquisitely finished piano; tone A-1; re-tails at \$600.00... \$330.00; COMBINATION PLAYER-PIANO—Latest style and thoroughly guaranteed; has been used less than a year; retail price \$650.00... \$375.00; OUTSIDE PLAYER—A Cecilian—in perfect working order; \$30.00 worth of music goes with it... \$130.00. Monthly payments, from \$6.00 to \$10.00. You may see these instruments in the evening. Store open nights. Reed-French Piano Mfg. Co. SIXTH AND BURNSIDE STREETS. Store Open Evenings.