FINCH WILL KNOW HIS FATE TODAY

Special Prosecutor Spencer Asks for Verdict of Murder in First Degree.

PRISONER SEEMS UNMOVED

Both Sides Rest Case and Arguments Are Begun—Spencer Sums Up Case Convincingly, but Holcomb Abuses Prosecution.

James A. Finch's life will be placed in the balance today. Except for an unexpected delay, the murderer-lawyer should know his fate before midnight.

Quick action is expected from the 12 jurors, for during the closing scenes of the trial their attitude has been all but expressed in words. The state's appeal that the foul murderer of Fisher be sent forthwith to the gallows brought every man of the jury upright in his seat, intent on every word, his face set and determined. And when the first long appeal was made in Finch's behalf, the jurors relaxed their interest, lolling back unresponsive in their chairs.

Court Rebukes Defense.

Snarling, biting, shouting, casting innuendo and abuse on the state, Lawyer Holcomb, of Finch's counsel, argued for the murderer in such a way as to bring upon himself the sharp rebuke of the court. And it is believed that he antagonized the jury with his manner, for every man in the jury box carefully avoided his eyes and showed marked unresponsiveness to his summing up of the case. Several times Holcomb had to be called to order by Judge Bronaugh.

Only the final arguments and the instructions of the court remain before the case goes to the jury. The last bit of evidence was presented yesterday, the last point of law raised, and the opening arguments for state and defense were dispensed with. This morning the last plea that will be made for Finch is to be presented by his lawyers; and the state will make its final demand on behalf of the public for the life of the assassin of Ralph Fisher.

Finch's Mother Weeps.

Finch sat unmoved while the appeals for his life and against it were presented. But a few feet behind him his little old mother, worn, sad-faced, swollen-eyed, sat staring open-mouthed in mute horror at the horrible denunciation of her son; at the clamor for his life. Not once did her eyes leave the prosecuting officer as he set out the reasons why her son should be taken from her. Not until the charge was finished did her eyes fall, and then she wept silently.

First-degree murder, punishable only by death on the gallows! That is the verdict the state insists upon and fully expects to receive from the jury.

"This is first-degree murder or nothing," announced the prosecution in its opening argument.

Acquittal is the verdict Finch and his lawyers say they expect, but they seem to be alone in their expectations.

Finch's Story Is Disproved.

By the course of rebuttal testimony Finch's wild story of being attacked by Fisher was effectively stripped of all semblance of truth and held up before the jury as a base fabrication, lacking even in ingenuity. This end was achieved effectively and so as to leave no doubt.

The last suggestion that Finch might be telling the truth regarding an assault on him by Fisher disappeared when evidence was presented to show that the victim's notarial seal was found locked in his desk after the murder. This disclosure was made by Fisher's law partner, G. Everett Baker. In searching the office for anonymous letters threatening Fisher's life, he chanced to come upon the seal locked in a third drawer of Fisher's desk.

Even the affidavit of Finch's sick wife proved disastrous rather than helpful to the defense. For, while she said in her deposition that she told her husband to bring home a revolver, the very day of the murder, yet she made the fatal admission on cross-examination that she already possessed one revolver and had owned it a considerable time before the murder.

Miss Burkhart Not Impeached.

And the efforts to impeach Miss Verna Burkhart, Fisher's stenographer, who saw the assassination, failed utterly. Knowing that this young woman's account of the tragedy left Finch's yarn altogether untenable, the murderer's lawyers questioned her vigorously as to her previous testimony at the Coroner's inquest. But she was firm in her reiterations and the defense lost in its intended coup.

Then came the last straw, when Deputy Sheriff Beatty related Finch's first story of the murder as told to him by the prisoner a few hours after the arrest. Finch then said he had been assaulted with a revolver and had fired even while looking into the muzzle of Fisher's weapon. Such a story, of course, could not stand, and the necessity for a new variety of fiction was plain.

As to the bump on Finch's head, a number of persons who had occasion to observe him closely after his arrest said they saw no marks of violence upon him or any evidence on his part that he had been struck.

Crowds Clamor for Entrance.

Several hundred men and women, a veritable mob, fought for admission to the courtroom at the opening of the session. When court reconvened after the noon recess the services of five Deputy Sheriffs were required to hold the crowd in check. Just one and a half minutes sufficed to fill the spacious courtroom once the doors were opened. No less than 200 people were turned away and many of these hung around the corridors hoping for a chance to get in.

Finch was busier than ever with the details of his case during the closing moments. He has become more or less irritable, possibly realizing the serious plight of the defense, and is frequently seen snapping angrily at one or other of his defenders. He watched every witness and was busy with notes during the presentation of the state's opening argument.

The defense concluded its case early in the forenoon after presenting the deposition of Mrs. Finch, cross-examining Miss Burkhart and introducing some minor testimony. The state got through its rebuttal early in the afternoon and proceeded at once to argue.

Judge Bronaugh Testifies.

Judge Bronaugh, who is hearing the case, was called by the defense as its first witness of the day. He said that Mrs. Finch was found to be in the condition ascribed to her when the hospital in which she is confined was visited for the purpose of taking her deposition. This deposition was then read and it revealed her oath that she had asked her husband to buy her a revolver the very day of the murder. But the revelation that she had already possessed a weapon brought out in cross-examination, tended to discredit her direct testimony.

In the effort to impeach Miss Burkhart, Finch's lawyers engaged in grumbling, which availed them nothing. The fine point made by them was that Miss Burkhart had first told of seeing Finch draw a revolver from a particular pocket, whereas, at the trial she admitted not knowing which pocket the weapon was in.

Deputy Sheriff Beatty was the first witness on rebuttal and he described Finch's first story of the murder.

"He told me he entered Fisher's office and said, 'Hello, Ralph,' and that Fisher at once reached in a desk, got a revolver and pointed it over his shoulder," said Beatty.

Seal Found in Desk.

J. J. Dunning, Deputy Coroner, told of searching the room after the murder and of looking on Fisher's desk. But he saw no seal either on the floor or desk. G. Everett Baker followed this by explaining that the seal was found in Fisher's desk. There was a moment of suppressed excitement in the courtroom as this important evidence was presented. On cross-examination, Mr. Baker said he found Fisher's revolver far back under a coil of heavy twine in an under drawer of Fisher's desk.

John Reed, a sketch artist, and County Jailer Hunter, told of having observed Finch closely after the murder and of failing to see any evidence of an abrasion, thus tending to verify the state's belief that Finch injured his own head after being locked up in a cell.

Miss Burkhart was called in rebuttal at the opening of the afternoon session. She was questioned by the state in regard to a conversation between C. H. Piggott and Ralph Fisher the day before the shooting. This added nothing to the case for the young woman had not heard much of the conversation.

"The state rests," announced Special Prosecutor A. C. Spencer, at 2:20 P. M.

In the camp of the defense there was a prolonged whispering, after which Lawyer Lord arose to announce that one of the counsel for defense wished to demonstrate that Fisher's body could not possibly have been lying partly in a chair, as described by the witnesses.

Lawyer Campbell stood ready to take a chair and do some fancy tumbling for the edification and information of the jury. But Judge Bronaugh didn't see the necessity for this, and the defense, unable to clutch at any other straws, then rested its case.

Spencer Argues for State.

Mr. Spencer arose at once to argue for the conviction of Finch. He made an impressive statement of the case, declaiming against the murder in effective words. The jury gave him the closest attention throughout.

Going over the testimony in detail, the speaker emphasized strikingly the many phases of the case which point to Finch as a murderer without justification, excuse or mitigation. He took occasion to pluck the defense to pieces, declaring that some of the things pleaded by Finch were a reflection on the intelligence of a jury.

"The picture that Miss Burkhart gave again of this hideous fiend as he crept past her is the true picture. With a hypocritical 'Hello, Ralph,' he skulked across that little room and killed his unfortunate victim, holding the revolver so close as to burn the hair on his head. And then this man, this cold-blooded, hellish murderer, has the effrontery to come here and tell you he was struck, that he fired to save himself; and he passes among you, gentlemen of the jury, and asks you to feel his head for a bump that, if it existed, at all, must have been bumped upon his head in the jail.

"I tell you this man is a foul and red-handed murderer. He went to Ralph Fisher's office with malice and murder in his heart.

Wants First Degree Verdict.

"If this is not a case of deliberate murder, then it is not murder at all. It is either murder in the first degree or else not murder at all. And why should this man escape the full consequences of his crime? The case is fairly bristling with facts, in veritable battalions, condemning this man.

"The dastardly temperament of this foul murderer is shown you in the manner of the crime, as well as in the story told by Finch. He tells you of his pioneer days and rambles for hours about everything in his past, social, political and personal. But with the picture of how he crept in upon that young man and snuffed out his life in his mind, he hesitates at entering the death chamber of his own making. Three times he approaches the scene of his crime and each time he backs away in his story."

Spencer then went on to compare Finch with Bill Sykes, Dickens' terrible character.

"You better deal in facts, not fiction," piped Lawyer Campbell.

Finch turned upon this lawyer wrathfully. "Keep quiet," he snapped. "Let him go it."

Mr. Spencer closed his argument at 4 o'clock with a strong appeal for conviction, and after a recess of 10 minutes Lawyer Holcomb arose to speak in behalf of Finch.

Holcomb led off with a verbal jab at Special Prosecutor Spencer and then flitted off into the realms of Biblical lore and threadbare metaphor. He seemed to have a special grievance against Spencer and referred to him every few moments as "this railroad hireling," and once asserted "this railroad hireling has been hired to railroad a man to hell." He finally got to the point of referring to him as "an unprincipled skunk" and cast the insinuation that an effort had been planned to tamper with the jury.

Spencer Doesn't Mind Vituperation.

"This is going too far; you will have to confine yourself to the case," Judge Bronaugh interrupted.

"I'm sure I've got no objection to his going ahead and making as much of an exhibition of himself as he pleases," said Mr. Spencer, who was the object of Holcomb's bitter words.

Holcomb accordingly spent another 10 minutes declaiming against Spencer, asserting that since he was lawyer for a Harriman railroad line the "soulless corporation was taking a hand in railroading Finch's soul to hell."

He finally got down to the case, dissecting the state's evidence, and laying emphasis on the claim that everyone must be lying except Finch and the one or two witnesses who gave evidence which in any way favored him. He was sure that Finch had no malice against Fisher, that Finch killed Fisher only in self-defense, that Finch was being persecuted instead of prosecuted, that it was impossible for a man to fall in his chair as Fisher was found lying.

Night Session Ordered.

Holcomb wandered along until 5:40 P. M., when he was asked how long it would take him to finish. He said he wanted about half a day anyway.

"Very well, adjourn court until 7:30 P. M.," said Judge Bronaugh. Holcomb protested at this, saying he didn't like a night session, but the court persisted.

Gets in Trouble With Court.

At the beginning of the night session Holcomb was in even a less amiable mood. He had little more than got started before he was checked by the court. Judge Bronaugh informed the caustic lawyer that he would be cited for contempt of court unless he changed his course. Holcomb had just attempted by a species of innuendo to give the impression that the court was prejudiced in the trial of the case.

Holcomb apologized abjectly, but thereafter was little more tractable, several times approaching the danger line. He referred to Miss Burkhart as a "poor little girl" who was mistaken in what she said and disparaged the other witnesses of the prosecution.

He talked steadily until 10:15 o'clock and the interest of the jury, as could be plainly seen, was sorely taxed. One juror seated in the second row of the box took occasion to slumber through the latter part of the ordeal; leastwise he settled far back in his chair, closed his eyes, leaned on his hand and breathed heavily.

"Don't return a verdict that will gnaw at your hearts like a cancer," he admonished the jury. "Justice is what we want. The state asks only one verdict of you and that is for human blood. This defendant is in the bloom of his youth. If he has been indiscreet, that is one matter to be taken consideration of, but I want you to examine all the circumstances and see if you cannot find it in your hearts to send this man back to home and mother. Are you going to send him home to his wife and babes and mother, or are you going to send his soul to hell?"

At 9:30 o'clock Finch, who had been writing steadily, passed out a bunch of copy to Holcomb, who proceeded to orate from these notes, which called attention to Finch's irrational condition after the murder. These little gems of thought, however, added nothing to the murderer's cause. The speaker was handicapped in one respect—inability to catch the eyes of the jurors. All were busy with problems presented by the floor and ceiling and walls, except for an occasional glance at the speaker. There was pathos enough in some of the pictures he drew of the old mother, of the invalid wife. Holcomb really presented this picture admirably—but for a reason that those following the trial believe they knew, the jury remained dry-eyed and unaffected.

TALENTED YOUNG WOMAN WEDS WELL-KNOWN DRAMATIC READER

MISS MINNIE M. BODE BECOMES BRIDE OF WILLIAM M. RASMUS.

The marriage of Miss Minnie M. Bode, the pretty and talented young elocutionist, poet and playwright of Portland, to William M. Rasmus, business manager of the Western Academy of Music, was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bode, of 40 East Twelfth street, North, at 6 o'clock last night. The contracting parties are both well known in local musical and literary circles, and were showered with congratulations at the conclusion of the ceremony last night. Rev. Henry Rasmus, of Spokane, brother of the groom, officiated, and only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting couple were present. Mr. Rasmus is well known as a dramatic reader and actor of ability. He has superintended the production of a number of plays by amateurs in Portland.

TAX LEVY OF 6.6 MILLS REPORTED

On Valuation Assessed This Will Bring in Revenue of $1,424,520.30.

COUNCIL MAY INCREASE IT

Much Discussion Expected at Session Today Before Report Adopted—Departments Will Have More Money Than Last Year.

CITY LEVY RECOMMENDED BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

Department—	Levy.	Amount realized.
Fire	2.25	$ 485,831.92
Police	1.37	295,695.88
*Interest	.80	172,869.13
Lighting	.58	125,185.12
Street repair	.57	123,026.76
Library	.13	28,058.73
Park	.40	86,334.56
*Special bridge	.50	107,918.20
Totals	6.60	$1,424,520.30

*Not included in city levy for departments.

A levy of 6.6 mills, based upon an assessed valuation of $215,000,000, will yield a revenue of $1,424,520.30, and is recommended by the ways and means committee of the City Council, which has held several special sessions for the purpose of wrestling with this matter. After an all-day meeting, action was taken, and the report will go to the Council, which will meet in adjourned session tomorrow morning. It is forecasted that if any change at all is made in the levy, it will be an increase, for there is going to be a fight by certain members, headed by Councilman Rushlight, for a tax sufficient to build a new City Jail and a modern crematory. However, it is thought at this time that this will be unsuccessful, notwithstanding the urgent appeal by Mayor Lane and others for relief.

Much Discussion Coming.

The levy recommended by the committee will undoubtedly provoke much discussion tomorrow, and some of the items may be pruned. The Police Department, which asked for $288,000, will realize on the levy recommended $295,695.88, although the committee recommends the abolition of the woman's detective bureau, of which Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin has been the chief for one year. It is a department organized last year for the purpose of assisting young girls and women in various ways, but is said by the committeemen to be unnecessary, since the Cellars anti-women-in-saloons law took effect, and it is slated to "go," although some friends of the bureau may be present tomorrow to protest. The City Attorney has ruled that, although it is a civil-service office, it can be abolished.

More Money Than Last Year.

If the levy carries as recommended by the committee, all of the city departments will have more money than this year. The Fire Department estimate cannot be met, as the amount asked for, all of which is more or less urgently required to care for the growing needs all over Portland, was above the levy fixed by the charter, and had to be held down for that reason, so that the maximum revenue on a 2.25-mill levy will be $485,831.92. While the committee made the levy this figure, the Council may prune this down somewhat, but the need for new stations, equipment and men is so great, according to the annual report of Chief Campbell, that the full amount allowed under the law would not satisfy the demand.

The Park Board also over-estimated, asking for $116,000, and the committee cut this amount down to $86,334.56. There are two items, interest and special bridge fund, which are not included in the department levies. The committee recommends a levy of 1.37 mills for the interest fund, to cover the interest on bonds, and of .50 mill for the special bridge fund. This would yield the sum of $107,918.20, which would be sufficient to pay for the construction of a projected bridge across Sullivan's Gulch at East Twelfth street, now being strongly urged by those interested in that vicinity. The revenue on the interest fund levy will cover all proposed bond sales, including park, water, improvement and bridges.

Public Dock Question Arises.

A question that came up during the morning session of the committee was regarding the advisability of selling the bonds provided for in the charter amendment, calling for $500,000 for public docks, reinforcing water mains for the fire district and a steel fireboat. Councilman Wallace, who is chairman of the committee on commerce, landing and wharves, having this matter in charge, declared himself as of the opinion that these should not be sold. Councilman Kellaher, however, declared that, inasmuch as the people so voted, the Council should dispose of the bonds and proceed to carry out the plan. He said that the public docks will be of great importance in the future of the city, and should be secured at once. The interest fund was therefore made sufficiently strong to pay the interest on these, in case the Council decides later to sell them.

Mayor Talks on Lighting.

When it came to the matter of fixing the levy for the city lighting, Mayor Lane requested the committee to recommend the maximum, and said that, if it was done, it would enable the city to install its own distributing system and even establish a steam plant for making current. It was found, however, that this could not be done, unless the matter were submitted to a vote of the people. The levy for lighting was therefore fixed at .58 mill, which will yield a revenue of $125,185.12. This, it is thought, will enable the installation of about 200 more street arc lamps, which it is hoped will be accomplished within the year.

Differences of opinion between the Councilmen as to how, where and when to build a new City Jail bids fair to defeat the plan to make a levy sufficiently large to build such a structure. Councilmen Rushlight and Dunning were the only members of the committee who favored such action, while opposed were Councilmen Kellaher, Vaughn and Cottel. They believe there should be a bond issue to cover the expense, so that future generations will have to pay the bill. Mayor Lane, who was present by request, urged the committee to make the police fund high enough to enable the department to build a station on the East Side, to relieve the congestion on the West Side, and to buy an automobile patrol and two or three motorcycles, for use in speeding to the scene of hold-ups and emergencies when the cars are not running, such as the police, he said, are often called upon to do.

Salaries Thought Too Large.

After the Council acts upon the recommendations of the committee, the yearly appropriations must be made, and this will devolve again upon the ways and means members, who have to recommend the manner in which the various amounts shall be expended by the departments.

COMPARISON OF LEVIES FOR RECENT YEARS.

Date.	Levy.	Amount realized.
1906	5.2	$ 782,000.00
1907	5.7	949,000.00
1908	*6.6	1,424,502.30

*Proposed.

For example, the committee must report upon what new fire stations, if any, shall be ordered, and how many new policemen and firemen. There is a general feeling that the salaries in the Police Department are generous, and there will be an effort by some Councilmen to reduce the salaries of the detectives.

LISTEN!

Jinks—Hello, Central! Main 8611. Hello, this you, Binks? Wife and I are going to keep open house in the cottage by the ocean New Year's day. Want you and Nell to join us. Ed and Louise, and Charlie and his sweetheart will be there. That will make eight. You know the A. & C. train runs through to Seaside Thursday night. We'll get there in plenty of time to see the old year out, and come back Sunday night. Will you come? All right; let me know.

Jinks (answering phone five minutes later)—Good! Meet you at the Union Depot New Year's eve. Train leaves at 6 P. M., sharp. Au revoir!

Passenger Trains on Time.

"That's a pretty clean sheet," said William McMurray, general passenger agent for the Harriman lines in this territory, referring to a report as to the operation of O. R. & N. trains for the day which had been left on his desk. The report showed that at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning, every train running over this road into Portland was on time. The operation of these trains has been strictly according to schedule for several days, with an occasional single exception.

DECIDE TODAY ON PARK BOND ISSUE

Council Must Pass Remedial Act to Enable Delivery of Bonds This Year.

COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE

Securities to Amount of $500,000 to Be Sold at Once if Action Is Favorable—Only One Bid Acceptable to Park Board.

Whether or not there will be available $500,000 with which to purchase property for public parks, boulevards and play grounds this year, will be decided at an adjourned meeting of the ways and means committee of the City Council at 10 o'clock this morning. With but three days remaining, and it being necessary to pass some remedial legislation at the Council meeting tomorrow to make the sale legal; and it being equally necessary, under the law, to deliver the entire issue to the buyer before midnight of Thursday, it will be seen that the time limit is exceedingly brief. If the sale goes through this morning, as recommended by the Park Board at a special meeting yesterday afternoon, the entire issue will go to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago, of which George H. Tilden is the representative. The bid for immediate delivery and spot cash payment is five-eighths per cent premium, besides par and accrued interest.

There were several higher bids, but none apparently so worded as to make possible a sale. The best bid, judging from the face value, was put in by O'Conner & Kahlor, of New York, for 2 per cent premium, but the bid could not well be accepted, as the delivery arrangements semed not of the proper kind to meet the urgent need of the Park Board in purchasing its property before the values advance. The most urgent feature of the transaction is that the bonds be delivered and paid for before the close of the year. If they are not, it will mean that only $500,000 will be available for use in this respect during 1909, but if this deal is consummated before midnight of Thursday, it will be possible for the city to sell the remaining $500,000 worth of bonds any time after January 1, 1909, and thereby have a full million to spend in acquiring property for parks, boulevards and playgrounds throughout the municipality, according to the plans outlined by the Park Board.

There was but the one bid by the Chicago firm which could be acted upon without parley, it seemed, and after careful consideration, the members of the Park Board voted to recommend that this bid be accepted and the bonds sold. It was thought that it would work to the better advantage of the city to lose some on the amount of the premium at the outset, if the funds from the bonds are made immediately available, than would be the case should the bid be rejected. The rapid advance in Portland realty is assigned as the explanation of this. Already there have been substantial gains in the prices of some choice pieces of land sought by the Board, it is declared.

Members of the Park Board were in a quandary to decide which way to act upon the matter, as they felt the bonds should be sold at once, but wished to get the best possible premiums for the issue. It was only after very careful consideration that the vote to recommend the sale was taken and this will be reported to the committee which will meet at 10 o'clock this morning.

Attorneys for the bond buyers investigated the legality of the issue, and reported back that it will be necessary to pass an ordinance, to which shall be attached a copy of the bonds, with the full wording of the issue, so that the legality will be clear. If the committee acts favorably upon the recommendation of the Park Bord, such an ordinance will be drawn up and presented to the Council for action tomorrow. The ordinance will be an emergency act, and will require the affirmative vote of 12 Councilmen and the signature of the Mayor to make it effective, under the ruling of the State Supreme Court.

Other bids were received from C. H. Rollins & Sons, of Denver; Morris Bros., of New York; the American Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago.

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