

SNOW CONSPIRACY TO KILL CARMACK

State Considers Purpose Is Gained and Waits for Defense.

COOPERS' CASE CONCEALED

Line of Action Kept Secret by Not Naming Witnesses—Attempt to Show Coopers' Lawyers Tampered With Evidence.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 18.—Absence of some state witnesses and a desire on the part of the defense to arrange its plan of procedure, caused an adjournment today until Saturday in the trial of the Coopers and John Sharp, charged with murdering ex-Senator E. W. Carmack.

The state has satisfied itself with offering testimony to prove that Carmack was murdered in Nashville by Robin J. and Duncan R. Cooper; that John Sharp, when he heard the shots, knew that they were without looking around and that prior to the killing several conferences had been held. This, the state contends, is the foundation for proof of conspiracy.

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Fights Match While Pouring Gasoline With Usual Result.

An attempt to get gasoline from a can while he held a lighted match in one hand was attended by serious results last night for Tom Costello, a youth, who resides with his mother at 414 Alder street. Tom went into a storehouse in the rear of his home where there is no electric light. It being dark, he struck a match and turned on the gasoline. Result, an explosion followed by fire, which quickly spread over the walls and ceiling.

Costello luckily escaped injury. Several friends ran out to aid him, and while he ran to the corner of Twelfth and Morrison streets to pull the fire alarm, the friends organized a bucket brigade and put out the blaze. When the firemen came it was all over, except the excitement. Costello told the firemen that he would approach the gasoline can under cover of darkness, when the firemen would respect in the future. The damages were trifling.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. T. T. Smith, of Tacoma, a prominent physician of that city, is a Portland guest.

S. Benson, his daughter Carolyn, and B. E. Covert, left yesterday for Southern California, where they will spend the rest of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Kellough, of Walla Walla, are at the Portland. Mr. Kellough is Mayor of the Eastern Washington city and one of its leading business men.

John Thorne, a popular member of the Baker Stock Company, and a very clever young actor, has accepted an offer to become leading juvenile with Korb & Dill, at the Princess Theater, in San Francisco.

Mr. Thorne has made many friends during his brief stay in Portland, who will regret his departure, although much gratified at the distinct advance he has made in his profession.

GATEWAY CASE PERTURBS

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lines and points on or east of the Mississippi River.

W. Rogers, ticket agent of the Chicago & Alton at St. Louis; W. D. Jeffries, ticket agent of the Union Pacific at Kansas City, and others, testified to the desirability of the Portland route.

R. S. Eustis, general passenger traffic

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