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Thought to Be That of Bellingham Man.

ROMANCE JARRED KAISER

Missing Bellingham Resident Was Forced to Fice From Fatherland Because of Scandal Connected With Wife of Army Officer.

PENDLETON, Or., June 29 .- (Special.)-Two newspaper clippings, one telling of the mysterious disappearselling of the mysterious disappearance of Curt Pless, of Bellingham, Wash, and one of the finding of the body of a tall man with skull crushed floating in the Columbia River opposite this city, nearly a month ago, may lead to a clew which will result in solving both mysteries. The descriptions of the two men tally to such a remarkable extent that local officers are inclined to believe the victim of the mysterious murder was none other are inclined to believe the victim of the mysterious murder was none other than the president of the Pieas Grain & Hay Company, of Bellingham, who dropped from sight a few days before his young wife gave birth to a baby girl in the last part of January.

The striking resemblance in the descriptions of the men in the two cases was first noticed by Mrs. Anna Wixon, of Sherlock Wash who immediately

of Sherlock, Wash, who immediately forwarded the two clippings to Chief of Police Gurdane of this city. Pless is described as a man six feet, six inches in height with a physique

in proportion. A hurried measurement of the dead man found jammed into the box showed six feet five inches. Pless is also described as a man of striking appearance, and while decomposition had set in, the features of the mysterhad set in, the features of the myster-ious man in the box were those of a man of commanding appearance. His heavy brown mustache, just tinged with gray, was well kept and that of a man careful in appearance. His hands also showed that in life the man had not been acustomed to use them in labor.

Coroner Folsom, of Umatilia County, is quoted as saying that the body found in the box had undoubtedly been dead three or four months. Coroner Folsom says that if Pless were a brown mus-tache tinged with gray, the body of the man found in the river here was un-doubtedly that of Pless.

Forced to Leave Germany.

Though Pless disappeared in the latter part of January, after leaving for Wenatchee, Wash., on a brief business trip, the body of the man floating in the Columbia early in June might easily have been his. It is well-known that a body can remain in cold running water for months and still not be badly decomposed. Expecially could this he decomposed. Especially could this be true if the body were tightly nailed in a box as was this one, for there would be no opportunity for it to be battered or torn to pieces.

It will be remembered that since the

It will be remembered that since the mysterious disappearance of Piess it has been brought to light that his name was formerly Curt Von Pless, and that he had been compelled to make a hurried exit from his native land of Germany several years ago as a result of a scandal which is said to have shaken the German court. The theory has, therefore, been advanced that perhaps members of that justly famous secret police which guards the German Kaiser

at Berlin, might be able to throw some light on the subject of the mysterious disappearance.

The first theory advanced for his

PLESS MYSTERY

The first theory advanced for his disappearance was that of financial troubles, since the failure of the Pless Hay & Grain Company, of which he was president, followed fast on the heels of his departure. A further investigation, however, showed that something else was responsible for his disappearance. Many of his creditors have announced that they would gladly have given him all the time he needed to straighten out his business affairs.

Body Found at Pendleton Is

Duel Was Never Fought.

According to the story of the re-ported scandal which lead to Pless leaving Germany. Pless was at the head of a commissary department of a division of the German army when he became involved in a scandal with the young and beautiful wife of one of the highest officers in the army, stationed at the Kaiser's court. Whether or not there was basis for the officer's action probably never will be known, but he ver will be known, but he challenged Piess to a duel. Pless ac-cepted the challenge. Details were ar-ranged and the men were to meet with swords early one morning on the out-skirts of Berlin.

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Friends of the officer, however, who had been pleading and arguing with him not to disgrace himself by duelling with a civilian, finally decided to lay the story before the Emperor. According to this report, these men were of that clique which later gained unenviable notoriety in the German newspapers as "Knights of the Round Table," who at that time possessed great influence with the Emperor. The infamous condition of affairs then existing at the court had not yet been exposed and these men, it is said, dreaded that the officer's duel with Pless might bring about revelations that would involve the entire court in scandal.

Kaiser Wilhelm flew into a tremendous rage when he learned of the circumstances, and ordered the army officer to forego the duel on penalty of disgrace. Cherishing the bitterness of gall in his heart the

disgrace. Cherishing the bitterness of gall in his heart, the army man was compelled to obey, but an attempt was made to mollify him by getting Pless out of the country. No one ever has discovered, and only the secret police know, what representations were made to Pless.

Wife's Life Also a Romance.

At that time Pless was about to be married to the woman who now swalts his return in Bellingham. She was a young and ignorant girl and is said to young and ignorant girl and is said to have known nothing of the secret. The marriage was carried out and the couple departed at once on what the bride supposed was to be a honeymoon tour of America. It proved a journey that had no end until the couple reached Western America.

Romantic and mysterious also are the stories told of Mrs. Pless' early life. Her first recollection, it is said, is of finding herself in a convent, provided from some undivulged source with all the funds that could possibly be spent upon her education. She was taken

upon her education. She was taken to the various capitals of Europe for the finishing touches of culture and was given a knewledge of European languages that is truly remarkable and this knewledge is now standing her in good stead. Without warning, the liberal allowance ceased when she gained her majority and to this touch the standard of the stand good stead. Without warning, the liberal allowance ceased when she gained her majority, and to this day, intimate friends assert, she has no clew of the source of the money. But she became engaged to Pless in a peculairly romantic manner and they were married after a courtship of a few days, neither knowing of the other's history.

After taking up their residence in Bellingham they did not discuss their past life in the Fatherland with even their most intimate friends and it is doubtful if the details of the past life

doubtful if the details of the past life of either was known to the other. Mrs. Pless is reported to have said, since her husband's disappearance, that she always feared something might happen to him, "because he always carried a loaded gun."

EXPECTS TO BE ELECTED

Will Be Candidate on Independent Ticket for Prosecuting Attorney. Insists Members Calhoun Were Bribed.

> ROSEBURG, Or., June 29 .- (Special.)-Binger Hermann will be tried during the present year, if at all," said Francis J. Heney here tonight. "I received a letter from the United States Attorney-General about two months ago, asking me to take up the remainder of the Oregon land fraud cases as soon as possible," Hency continued. "Owing to business matters, I have not been able to answer the letter."
> Asked whether his election as District
> Attorney at San Francisco would delay
> the Hermann trial, Heney declared that would not, inasmu

> it would not, inasmuch as he would not take the office until next year.
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> When shown a dispatch from San Francisco to the effect that the Supreme Court had handed down a decision upholding those sections of the primary law providing that no candidate can accept two nominations and that a candidate must have registered two years in succession in the nominating party to be qualified. Hency smiled and said:

have registered two years in succession in the nominating party to be qualified. Hency smiled and said:

"I will make the run on an independent ticket, and you may rest assured that I will win by a vote of two to one."

Commenting on the Calhoun trial, Hency remarked:

"The trial which has just closed at San Francisco shows conclusively that conditions were against the prosecution. I have nothing to say as to how the second trial of Calhoun wil terminate, especially when the defense has plenty of money in easy reach of the jurors. I am convinced that certain jurors were bribed in the Calhoun trial, but of course I am unable to furnish proof to substantiate my assertion."

Mrs. Heney arrived here at noon today by railroad from Grants Pass, having abandoned the auto at that place. She was entertained during the afternoon at the home of T. R. Sheridan, president of the First National Bank. Mr. Heney, Dr. Beardsley and Jack McCarty, bodyguard, arrived this evening, intending to resume the journey partitions. resume the journey northward at The members of the party are enjoying xeellent health and expect to remain in the North about two weeks.

UNDERWOOD GETS FACTORY

Dement Bros., of Walla Walla, Will Establish Flouring Mil.

UNDERWOOD, Wash., June 29 .-UNDERWOOD, Wash, June 29.—
(Special.)—Dement Bros., who formerly operated a flouring mill at Walla Walla, have obtained possession from R. D. Cameron of 10 acres fronting on the White Salmon River, three miles from its mouth. They plan to erect an 80-foot dam at this point and from the power developed there to operate a 200-barrel mill at Underwood. Dement Bros.' water rights at Walla Walla have been bought by the city as an increased water supply.

Hofer Not a Candidate.

PENDLETON, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—While passing through Pendleton last evening on his way to Burns to attend the Development Congress, Colonel E. Hofer, of Salem, gave out an interview in which he denies that he is a candidate for Governor. His

DAMAGE SUIT REOPENED

Supreme Court Orders New Trial in Russell Case.

SALEM, Or., June 22.—(Special.)— The Supreme Court, in a long opinion by Justice McBride, today ordered re-versed and remanded the case of J. A. versed and remanded the case of J. A. Russell vs. the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company. The case is an action for damages for the death of plaintiff's son, who was killed by one of defendant's trains, and was tried at the Pendleton term on appeal from Union County, Hon. T. H. Crawford, Judge. The Supreme Court finds there were errors in the trial court sufficient to warrant a new trial which is cient to warrant a new trial, which is ordered. In the first trial plaintiff was given a verdict for \$7500.

The case of the German Savings & Loan Society, respondent, vs. George W. Gordon, appellant, is affirmed, in an opinion written by Chief Justice Moore. The case came up on appeal from Mulinoman County, where it was tried by Judge Gantenbein.

The Appellate Court, in an opinion by Justice King, denies a motion for rehearing in the case of Annie C. Hough et al., plaintiffs and respondents, vs. S. A. D. Puter et al., defendants and appellants, and George Durand et al., defendants and respondents.

Native Son Passes.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 29 .- (Special.) William S. Johns is dead at his home in —William S. Johns is dead at his home in Green Point, aged 44 years. He was born at Dilley, Washington County, Or., and is survived by a widow and two children— George and Elmore, aged 15 and 13 years, respectively. Death was due to tubercu-losis. Mr. Johns leaves five brothers and three sisters—H. O. Johns, of Portland; Charles H. Dulin S. Johns S. Charles H., Philip S., Jeans S. and Thomas T. Johns, and Mrs. Albro Burk of Kalama, Wash.; Mrs. Otto Wiepricht, of Seaside, Or., and Mrs. Fred Seder-strom, of Cook, Wash.

Northwest People in East. NEW YORK, June 29 .- (Special.)-

ligitors from the Northwest registered at leading hotels today are: From Spokane - L. Church, at the From Seattle-J. A. Baillargeon, at the Wellington; W. E. Fry, at the Marl-

orough. Special Services on Sunday.

GLADSTONE. Or., June 29.—(Special.)—Rev. Mr. Mulkey and wife are in attendance this week at the Christian Convention and Campmeeting at Turner. On Sunday, July 5, being the anniversary of the organization of the Gladstone Christian Church, special savvices will be held both morning. Gladstone Christian Church, special services will be held both morning and

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evening. Interesting programmes being arranged for the services.

Liquor-Seller Fined \$400. ASTORIA, Or., June 29 .- (Special.)-Antone Kuljis, of Clifton, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court last night to six indictments charging him with selling liquor without a license. He was fined \$400 and conts on one indictment and judgment on the other five was suspended.

Put Lumber in River, Is Charge. OREGON CITY, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—Norman R. Lang, resident director of the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, was arrested here today by Constable Miles. The company is charged with dumping lumber waste in the waters of the Willamette River.



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The complaint was made by Water Baillins engineer, and the city was severed. In George Rall and F. J. Birch. The case has been set for trial on July 6 in Justice of the Peace Samson's Court.

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The contract for the Deer Creek bridge,

KELSAY'S CLAIM REFUSED

Roseburg City Council Repudiates Engineer's Bill for Salary.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 29 .- (Special.)-At a special meeting of the City Council last evening the contract between Frank C. Kelsay, of Portland, Roseburg's pav-

The contract for the Deer Creek bridge, to cost approximately \$5000, was awarded to the Perham Bridge Company, of Marshfield. Work will be commenced at

Hermann Wanted for Mayor.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 29 .- (Special.)-Friends of Binger Hermann are exerting their efforts in the hope of inducing him to accept the nomination for Mayor on the Republican ticket this Fall. Mr. Hermann, is at present non-committal on the subject.



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as to payments, we'll not split hairs about thatpay a few dollars down and a little each monthroom is what we want now and all the remaining fine bargains must be closed out by tonight-come in the first thing this morning and make your selection. eilers piano house, 353 washington street.