

RIVER BRINGS TO LIGHT FOUL CRIME

Man's Body Bound in Blankets
Found Floating at Foot of
Quimby Street.

IDENTITY IS NOT KNOWN

Remains of Murder Victim, Foreign-
er, Had Been in Water About a
Week—Name John Ghomias on
Leaf From His Timebook.

Evidence of a most atrocious crime was brought to light last night shortly after 8 o'clock by the finding of the body of a man floating in the river by the Pacific Coast Coal Company's bunkers, at the foot of Quimby street. The body was badly decomposed, and had been in the water for a week, or perhaps longer. The feet were tied together with a stout cord, which extended to the wrist, which were also bound, and then to the neck, where it was tied in a tight knot. The man's knees had been drawn up to his chest. Over his face and head a towel had been tied, and the whole body wrapped inside two blankets and a quilt and fastened on the outside with a rope. The growl of the river, which was heard by George Downing and J. H. Wright, Downing lives in a scow at the foot of Seventeenth street, and Wright is a boatman, whose float is at the foot of Fourteenth street. They saw the bundle containing the man's body floating and bobbing up and down with the surge of the river. It was lodged against one of the pilings under the coalbunkers, near the shore. Believing it to be a bundle of clothing, one of the men caught hold of the rope, dragged it toward shore and out the rope. He had barely removed one of the blankets when he saw the features of the dead man, and with a cry of horror jumped back.

Police Station Notified.

While one man remained with the body, the other rushed up to the office of the coal company and notified Thomas Gernsheim, the night watchman, who quickly telephoned the police station. The police sent Deputy Coroner Dunning to the scene and the remains were removed to the undertaking establishment of Dunning, McKintee & Gilhugh. Then a closer examination of the man revealed that he was either a sailor or a workman of some foreign nationality, perhaps French, Italian or Greek. Nothing was found on his person save a leaflet torn from a timebook on which was written "John Ghomias, Greekman, Spokane, Wash." Whether it is the name of the victim or merely a memorandum is a matter of conjecture at present. A package of tobacco and some cigarette papers were the only other articles in his pockets.

The towel was fastened so securely over the face and the cord drawn so tightly around the neck that they had sunk into the flesh, and the Deputy Coroner had to cut them off. This might have been due to the swollen condition of the body, but the authorities believe that the man was strangled to death. The towel was saturated with blood and the head bore evidence of having been battered. The man must have weighed 175 pounds, and stood about 5 feet 3 inches tall. His age was 30 to 35 years. He was of dark complexion, had black hair, a small black mustache and had a few days' growth of beard on his chin. He was dressed in dark blue denim overalls, a gray woolen coat and vest, heavy blue flannel shirt over a light-colored cotton shirt, white undershirt and blue-ribbed under trousers. There were no shoes on his feet.

Probably Killed on Vessel.

The police are greatly puzzled over the mystery, but are equally interested in it, and a number of detectives have been assigned to work out its solution. The general theory is that the man was murdered aboard some vessel in the harbor and his body thrown overboard to hide the crime. Some of the police officers, however, believe that the man was murdered ashore, in a row among foreign laborers, and secretly carried to the river at night. An immediate effort will be made to locate the man, John Ghomias. Whether this name and address is that of the murderer or of the case is not yet known. A number of people from the waterfront who are familiar with sailors called at the morgue last night to see whether they knew the dead man, but no one was able to recognize him.

The fact that the man was in his sucking feet suggests the theory to the police that he came from aboard ship, where most sailors lie down to sleep in their clothing. Another view of the case is that the man was walking to Portland on the railroad track, was attacked by hobos, robbed and killed, his assailants wrapping him in the bundle of blankets which they knew carrying and threw him into the river.

AXLE OF OAKS CAR BREAKS

Traffic Interfered With and Oregon
City Cars Detour.

Car No. 44 on the Oaks line of the O. W. P. was put out of commission yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock by a broken axle and was left crippled all night on the incoming track, about half a mile from the Oaks. The accident occurred when there were but few passengers aboard and resulted only in shaking up the occupants slightly. No one was injured and the damages were confined to the broken axle. The accident is accounted for by the supposition that the axle was defective, as the car was in thorough good order otherwise. Cars on the Oregon City and Cascade lines, which use this track, were diverted and sent by way of Sellwood. The regular Oaks service was maintained last night by switching the cars for a short distance in the vicinity of the crippled car over the other track.

Leonard Wood Gets Boost.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Several changes have occurred in the personnel of the Joint Army and Navy board appointed several years ago to consider questions pertaining to the National defense. Brigadier-General Tasker H. Bliss, president of the Army War College, is detailed to membership in place of Major-General William P. Dwyer, recently transferred to the command of the Philippine division. Major-General Leonard Wood, commanding the Department of the East, and Lieutenant-Colonel Charles J. Bailey, acting chief of coast artillery, have been temporarily detailed as mem-

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POLICE TAKE IN PARASITE

Man Boasts He Has Options on New
North End Property.

Another male parasite was taken into custody last night by Detectives Coleman and Price in a saloon at Fifth and Alder streets. This man is known about the North End as Earl Hansen, alias the "Gold Tooth Kid," 31 years old. Besides being an undesirable, the police had received information from private sources that his man had been about town boasting he had obtained options on certain property in the south end of town, which was slated as being the future North End, and which he would use to establish crime and disreputable houses. Hansen readily furnished the \$100 cash bail required of him and was released.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. Hiram W. Poulkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Twelfth and Taylor streets, returned Wednesday from Cascadia where he has been spending his vacation. His family will remain in Cascadia several weeks longer. Dr. Poulkes will preach both morning and evening tomorrow at the First Church.

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—George E. Wightman, of Portland, Or., is at the Great Northern.

OBSERVATION CAR

Through Willamette Valley.
The Southern Pacific is now running an observation parlor car covering the delightful daylight ride through the Willamette Valley between Portland and Cottage Grove.

This car leaves Portland southbound on train 19 at 5:15 A. M. Returning, leaves Cottage Grove, northbound, on train 18 at 4:50 P. M.
Man Suspects His Cousin.
Fred McGovern, 21 years old, who has been living without employment for some time past, was arrested last night by Patrolman Walters and Detective Hyde, on suspicion of larceny. McGovern was taken into custody on the complaint of his cousin, B. J. Burke, who lives at 339 Cook avenue. Burke says McGovern had been living at his house and that recently the house was broken into and a watch and some other articles of value taken. Knowing McGovern's idle habits, Burke's suspicion rested upon him. McGovern had been absent from home for several days. His description was given the police, who found him loafing about the North End.

Fall Downstairs Injures.
Robert Devine, an elderly man living at Eagle Creek, Or., was the victim of a painful accident yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the Louvre restaurant and is now confined in St. Vincent's Hospital. Mr. Devine was going down the stairway to the rathskeller when he accidentally lost his footing, tumbled and fell headlong to the bottom of the flight. He sustained severe wounds and contusions about the head. Friends called an automobile and hurried him to the hospital.

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ONE MORE PLANNED

Fourth High School to Be Built
Next Year.

LOCATED ON WEST SIDE

Block Bounded by Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Couch and Davis Streets Recently Bought by City to Be Utilized.

A fourth High School building will be built in Portland, very probably next year, on the block at Seventeenth and Davis streets, recently purchased by the Board of Education. This was indicated yesterday afternoon at the session of the directors, when Chairman Fleischner said he believes such action should be taken. It has been known for some time it was the object of the board to construct a school there, but it has been quite generally understood that it would be several years before this would be done. The property upon which it will be constructed is the block bounded by Seventeenth and Eighteenth and Davis and Couch streets, for which the directors paid \$30,000. In this new High School building, it is practically decided, will be located the headquarters of the Board of Education and the City Superintendent and his staff, as it has been determined best to remove the offices from the City Hall, where they are now located. They will be moved in the immediate future, as the board yesterday voted to utilize the former residence of Dr. H. E. Jones, at Seventeenth and Couch streets, for this purpose until the new building is ready for occupancy. There will be a general rearrangement of things at the City Hall when the board moves its paraphernalia. Several city officers who are required under the city charter to have offices there are now forced to rent downtown establishments in which to perform their official duties, and these will probably be installed in the city building soon.

It was also decided yesterday afternoon to inaugurate an industrial school for girls, in connection with the school of trades, in the Atkinson School building. There will be taught the art of dressmaking, sewing in all of its branches and kindred parts, and later, it is proposed, millinery will be added to the course. Cooking will also be a feature of study in this department. The board will introduce classes in dressmaking in at least one of the High Schools this term also, and perhaps a little later will establish this line in all the High Schools. Both of these matters were left in the hands of the supply committee for a final report.

A report from Director Campbell regarding additions to ground for the Jefferson High School, now nearing completion, was adopted, and that school is therefore to be distinguished as having the most beautiful grounds of any in Portland. Mr. Campbell recommended the purchase of a number of lots in the Patton and Killingsworth tracts, north of the building, and the grounds will be parked clear to Killingsworth avenue, according to the present plans. It is the intention of the directors to secure the co-operation of the Park Board in maintaining the grounds, which will be elaborately flowered and shrubbery and pretty walks will be principal features. South of the school building will be located the athletic field, which will be sufficiently large to accommodate pupils.

The Fall term of school will open September 13, and Superintendent Rigler and his staff are making all preparations for this event. The new buildings are being rushed to completion, and everything is being put in readiness for increased numbers of pupils.

Sheriffs to Meet in Roseburg.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Under authority of the Oregon Sheriff's Association at its recent annual meeting

TAFT AGAINST CHANGE

President Not in Favor of Moving
Army Headquarters to Sound.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 6.—Senators Bourne and Chamberlain saw the President today and discussed with him the proposed removal of the headquarters of the Columbia from Vancouver Barracks to Seattle. The Oregon senators argued that efficiency of service does not require the removal of the headquarters and that in the interest of economy no change should be made.

The latter argument seemed to appeal to the President, who is making a reduction of expenditures one of the special efforts of his administration. The senators feel assured from the President's remarks that there will be no removal of the headquarters in the immediate future, if ever.

Senators Bourne and Chamberlain also interceded with the President in behalf of a pardon for Charles Nickell, convicted of conspiracy to defraud the Government in the land fraud transactions.

New Postmasters in Oregon.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 6.—Oregon Postmasters appointed: Austin, Mollie Irwin; Fall Creek, Mary C. Kinsinger; Richmond, John B. Butler; Warm Springs, Louis J. Rising.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

J. A. Bell and wife to M. E. Henika at \$10,000, lot 12, block 2, Subdiv. 1, 18, block 2, Anabel. 10
Merchants Loan & Trust Co. to J. C. O'Brien, undivided one-fifth of undivided 27-1/2 of 18-1/2 acres in Block 2, Williams Add. No. 2, 49, and lots "A" and "B" Mountain Park Add. No. 1. 1
H. M. Clarke to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lots 2, 4, block 2, Cole's Add. 1
Kata Curry to H. Noble, lots 2, 4, block 2, Tolman Tract Add. 1
F. R. Alexander and wife to Charles Phillips, lots 2, 4, block 2, Scott Heights. 700
Mrs. M. G. Dunham to Pearl Jackson, lots 2, 4, block 2, West Piedmont. 1
F. W. Clarke to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lots 2, 4, block 2, West Piedmont. 1
Nelle M. Wheeler et al. beginning at S. W. cor. of parcel deeded to Lizzie E. Hunt by S. P. Wheeler and wife to same to same, land beginning 30 feet east and 250 ft. south of city monument at intersection of East 18th and Division streets. 5,000
G. M. Williams and wife to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 2, block 2, West Piedmont. 1
M. Walt, undivided half of lot 2, block 1, Sunnyside. 1
J. C. Lerardy and wife to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 2, block 2, West Piedmont. 1
N. E. tract deeded to J. C. W. Kern. 9,000
F. A. Knapp and wife to Violet A. Webster, 127x210 feet, beginning 522.57 feet S. and 953.81 feet W. of section corners of Sec. 16, T. 20, R. 21, S. 1, E. 2. 800
E. T. Trimble and wife to F. B. Rutherford, lots 2, 4, block 2, Up-ton Park. 200
Delashmutt & Oatman's Little Shopper, lots 2, 4, block 2, Up-ton Park. 10
G. W. Clarke to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 1, block 4, Albina. 6,000
L. C. George and wife to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 2, block 7, Ivanhoe. 1,000
Carrie W. Blackless and husband to Charles Walker, lot 1, block 2, Gramercy. 400
A. C. Chisholm to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 1, block 2, Middlesex. 1
C. M. Laks and wife to Susan J. Lake, lot 2, block 17, Kenworthy. 200
Otto Deute and wife to Fred Wolfe at \$1,000, lot 11, block 12, Miller's Add. 10
M. E. Thompson et al. to C. H. Madson, lots 2, 4, block 2, Kenworthy. 600
Henry St. Rayner to Horsey Land & Orchard Co., undivided half of lot 2, block 2, Kenworthy. 10
W. T. Smith and wife to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 2, block 2, Kenworthy. 1
C. & C. block "A," Smith's Add. 1
Polifka, tract 14, Linn Park. 1,050
Green-Whitcomb Co. to Ada B. Whitcomb, lot 2, block 2, Kenworthy. 800
Homes Club Tract. 1
Elizabeth P. Harrison, lot 2, block 11, Elmhurst. 10
J. M. Kenney and wife to John Russell et al., lot 4, block 33, Irvington. 1,500
F. & Wheeler et al. to J. M. Kenney at \$1,000, lot 2, block 2, Kenworthy. 1

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Pauline Walcott and husband to J. W. Hamlin, 40x33 feet in lot 1, Subd. of lot 1, Paradise Springs Farm.	600	Helen M. Failing to Portland Realty & Trust Co., lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 inclusive, block 9, Falling Add.	10
Farland Co. to Alice M. Farwell, lot 4, block 2, Farland.	100	O. K. Ogden and wife to Antoine Lehard, lots 10, 11, block 9, Williams Add.	1,800
J. T. Mellich to George Deane, lot 17, block 15, Williams Add.	400	McDaniel Investment Co. to Michael O'Brien, lot 4, block 2, Caesar Park Add.	1,000
Truman Poland to Charles Allen, lot 27, block 8, Stanley Add. No. 2.	100	Security Abstract & Trust Co. to T. T. Hurst.	600
Eda D. Frank and husband to Emanuel Sears et al., lot 5, block 45, Vernon.	5,500	Sarah J. Bader to Ruth M. Snure, lot 7, block 5, Stewart Park.	1
Pauline Wenger and husband to Anne Engelhart, lot 1, block 6, Irvington.	600	Same to same, lots 4, 5, block 12, Kern Park.	1
J. E. Goldstein and wife to Vivian Miller, lots 13, 14, block 2, Braasch's Add. to St. John.	2,800	Central Trust & Inv. Co. to C. G. Briggs, lots 1, 2, block 86 1/2, Carter's Add. to Portland.	4,500
J. A. Forbes to S. C. Catching, lots 11, 12, block "B," Greenway.	2,000	F. W. Tilkamp and wife to Robert Carr, lots 5, 6, block 44, Waverleigh Heights.	1,000
S. C. Catching and wife to R. R. Giltner, lots 11, 14, block "B," Greenway.	1	Total	\$64,144
Alfred Anderson et al. to H. W. Lytle et al., lots 1, 2, block 8, Rowdale Annex.	1,000	LAWYER'S ABSTRACT & TRUST CO.	
M. G. McCormick and wife to Paul Christ, lots 23, 24, block 5, Townsend Add.	1	Room 4, Board of Trade bldg. Abstracts a specialty.	
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