

LEETSA SAYS SHE LOVES BURKE YET

Dramatic Declaration Startles Crowd at Trial of Man She Accuses.

LOCAL MAN MENTIONED

Woman Testifies She Went to Hospital After Working as Typist for Portland Lawyer—Parcentage of Child is Unsettled.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 9.—(Special).—"I loved him then, and if the charge against him is not proved, I would love him still," declared Lu Etta Smith, on the witness-stand this afternoon, while under cross-examination, during the trial of Dr. Willard P. Burke for the alleged attempt to murder the woman by blowing up the tent in which she and her illegitimate child were sleeping.

He straightway proceeded to make good. He approached the counter and he touched not a single thing. Arrayed in splendor thereon were rainbow-labeled bottles of violet hued perfumes, and neatly bound cakes of soap. Heavy was the air with attar of roses, the aroma of tooth powder,orris root and hair tonic. He would have none of their charms. He priced not a single bottle, can or tube with a new patented squitter.

"I want some soap," he beamed. In pursuing his unlooked for tactics he did not ask whether that cake of cerise-colored soap would chaff the skin—"mine is so delicate that I never can get the right nourisher"—he didn't want to be nourished; he wanted to be washed. Neither did he say: "The last I got here was so greasy." Neither did he ask the saleswoman if it meant three cakes for a quarter when the placard said 15 cents apiece.

With all the soapy galaxy coquetting his nostrils, he did not sniff a single sniff. He did not compare labels with an analytic eye. What he did do was this: He got straight up to the counter, extended his right hand; he put it on the box that was nearest him, and said:

"I'll take this, please." He did not ask if they would take a Canadian dime. "No paticcoat shopping for me," he grinned. "I don't care what I get." And when he said "much obliged" the saleswoman nearly upped the hair tonic.

Thank heaven for a man once in a while, she exploded. "I don't wonder he didn't want to be like a woman."

HAMILTON BOND IS PAID

SURETY COMPANY TURNS \$20,000 INTO COURT.

Dispute Over Bank's Claim Is Not Settled—Dashing Adjutant Serving Prison Term.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special).—By paying \$20,000 into the Thurston County Superior Court, the sum representing the face of the "affinity" bond, the National Surety Company has disposed of the Orrie Hamilton shortage so far as it is concerned. The surety company advises that the Olympia bank is contending for \$29,554.11, while the state wants to collect the \$20,000, representing the full face value of the bond. The bonding company declines to settle the dispute as to the apportionment of the money, and in paying asks to be relieved of all further responsibility.

The payment of this money into court will settle one of the most sensational cases of embezzlement ever brought to light in Washington. Orrie Hamilton, the handsome Adjutant-General of the National Guard, was found to have made way with more than \$23,000 of the state's funds, having squandered the money on an "affinity" he maintained in luxurious apartments in Seattle, and for whom he bought jewels and automobiles.

After Hamilton had been convicted and sentenced to serve from one to two years in the State Penitentiary at Walla Walla at hard labor, which sentence he is now serving, the state demanded that the National Surety Company pay the bond. The company delayed and then the state started suit. In the meantime an Olympia bank intervened. The bank was not sued in the King County Superior Court, where the state began its action.

BEDOUINS KILL GARRISON

Massacre of 100 Christians Follows Capture of Town.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 9.—A telegram from Jerusalem today says that Bedouins have massacred the Turkish garrison at Kerak, a town in the Turkish vilayet of Syria, and killed more than 100 Christian inhabitants of that place, in revenge for the execution of a Bedouin.

The Bedouins, the dispatch says, now hold the fortress in the vicinity of which there has been desultory fighting between the tribesmen and the government troops for the last year and a half.

Kerak, formerly the capital of Moab, has a population of 300, of whom 600 are Moslems. The town is the last on the road from Damascus to Mecca where Christians may reside. It stands on the mountains of Moab, and may be seen from Jerusalem, 20 miles away.

There are no American missionaries, the only missionary station being that of the British Church Missionary Society for Africa, the East. This is a branch of the organization at Be Salt, and is composed of one missionary, his wife and one native worker.

DUFUR EXCITED OVER OIL

Drilling Company Now Reports "Unmistakable Indications."

There is considerable excitement at present in the little town of Dufur over the prospects of finding oil there. A company was formed several years ago, and \$10,000 was subscribed to land the field, and now the Beavis-May Drilling Company is enthusiastic over what are termed "unmistakable indications."

Ralph, George Johnson and others, Thomas Glavey, Dr. Todd and other wealthy residents are behind the enterprise. There is no richer wheat belt in Oregon than the country for 50 miles around Dufur. It is also fast developing into a fruit country, and if in addition it becomes an oil field, residents of Dufur are confident their town will develop into an important commercial center.

J. F. Gross Critically Ill.

ATHENA, Or., Dec. 9.—J. F. Gross, a prominent citizen, has been very ill for the last few days with cancer of the stomach. Dr. Suttner, of Walla Walla, Ia., having performed an operation. Mr. Gross' heart is very weak and he could not take any ether, so the operation was performed by freezing the affected parts as the operation proceeded.

Mr. Gross' condition critical, and his son, Beale Gross, who has been attending the State Agricultural College, has been summoned.

Time for Bond Sale Extended.

UNION, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special).—Time for the sale of the bonds of the City of Union for the construction of a lighting plant and the improvement of the water plant has been extended to December 21, at which time it is expected that the bonds, amounting to \$30,000, will be sold. Following this, the Council will proceed at once with the installation of the electric plant and the improvement of the water system.

Saloons Still Operate.

BEHINDJ, Minn., Dec. 9.—A squad of special agents of the Indian Bureau came here today and issued closing orders to the local saloons in pursuance of the enforcement of the provisions of the old Indian treaty. Fourteen of the local saloonkeepers resisted the order and obtained injunctions against the Federal officials. The saloons are temporarily allowed to continue business.

SEVERE PENALTIES CURB DESERTIONS

War Secretary Attributes Improved Conditions to Certainty of Punishment.

FLYING MACHINES NEEDED

Fortification of Panama Canal Is Recommended in Annual Report.

Death Rate of Army Lowest in Its History.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Reduction in the number of desertions from the Army in the past year, a decrease of 30.8 per cent as compared with the previous year, is noted with gratification by Secretary of War Dickinson, in his annual report, which was submitted to Congress today.

This is believed to be the result of the extraordinary effort made by the Department in the direction of prompt and vigorous pursuit of deserters by means practically certain to result in his apprehension and subsequent punishment as a military convict under the hard and rigorous conditions of prison discipline.

The attitude of the Department is that its duty is to safeguard and protect the interests of the Army by correcting the evil rather than to reform the evil-doer, and to impress the fact that desertion from the Army, which in time of war may be punishable by death, is in time of peace a criminal offense, and that the punishment of the deserter will be severe.

Altogether there were 3464 desertions from the Army during the year, a decrease of 3.6 of the strength of the Army, which was less than any fiscal year since 1883. The decrease was most marked in the engineers, field artillery and cavalry.

Airship Service Essential.

As might have been expected after his personal flights in aeroplanes in France, Mr. Dickinson comes with a strong endorsement of the flying machine and with a recommendation to Congress for an appropriation to provide the Signal Corps with a reasonable number of the better type of machine for instruction purposes and field work.

He recalls the fact that the United States was the first Nation officially to recognize the aeroplane for military purposes, and that in 1908, when Myer in 1908 the first public flight of a heavier than air machine, yet it has since that date made no addition to the list of the most important points of present consists of one small dirigible balloon, one Wright aeroplane, and three small captive balloons. Nor has it added to the list of personnel which at present consists of one Signal Corps Lieutenant and nine enlisted men, on duty in connection with aeroplanes. There is only one officer who is a licensed pilot for free balloons.

The Secretary calls attention to the fact that the entrance to Chesapeake Bay is the only one of the world's great waterways which is not strategically on the Atlantic Sea Coast is wholly unfortified, not a single gun being mounted to defend the channel between Cape Charles and the Bay. At another important point—the eastern entrance to Long Island Sound—additional guns are needed. Except for these instances the war guns along the coast are concentrated in the Coast defenses at all home ports are in a very satisfactory state, but much remains to be done in providing such defenses as are needed, and in developing the fire control system, which will require about \$4,000,000 of expenditure.

Canal Fortification Advised.

Congress is asked to authorize an expenditure of \$19,546,843 for the fortification of the terminal of the Panama Canal, including the construction of posts for permanent personnel, and \$7,000,000 of this sum should be made available immediately in order to complete the project within three years.

The death rate in the Army last year was the lowest that has ever occurred. A remarkable fact is that no deaths occurred from sun-stroke or snake bite among the troops in the tropics, nor from cold among the troops in Alaska and along the Northern frontier. Alaska, as in former years, had the best health record, decidedly exceeding the United States, which came second, followed by Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines. The rate for the Philippines improves year by year.

Dealing with the regular Army organization, the Secretary urges the adoption of a provision of law, similar to that governing the Navy, for the elimination of inefficient personnel. The most serious feature of the present military situation, and one that should be corrected immediately, is the shortage of field artillery materiel. There is a very inadequate supply of guns, carriages and ammunition.

Touching the progress of the work of uncovering the wreck of the liner Havana Harbor, the Secretary says that the plans for the construction of a cofferdam piling around the wreck have been approved and are now under execution. It is proposed to draw off the water as soon as the dam is tight and remove the overlying mud and other material in order to permit a thorough examination of the condition of the wreck in present position to determine the cause of the explosion.

Militia Must Be Instructed.

Little more can be done than already has been done in the very important work of instruction of the organized militia, until some provision is made by Congress which will allow the Department to assign officers on the active list of the Army to duty with the militia, which is now impossible owing to the pressing need of officers for regimental service.

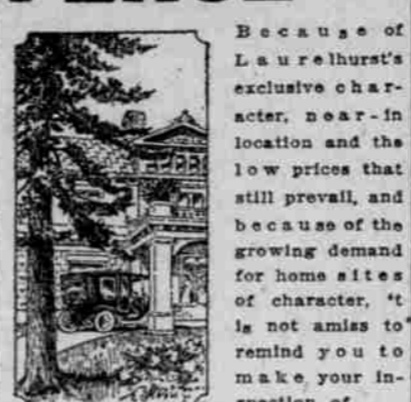
Success has attended the efforts of the Department to secure one-half of the personnel necessary for manning the Coast fortifications from the militia of the Seaboard states. All of the Coast states have provided for these Coast artillery regiments except New Jersey, Delaware and Louisiana.

Unfortunately, the Secretary points out, the existing law does not declare distinctly the extent to which the militia may be employed in the service of the United States, and legislation should be had that would enable the War Department to determine in advance of war just what officers and troops of the militia can be depended upon for service and their suitability. The Secretary says that a comprehensive act providing for the organization of a volunteer Army only after Congress has made a declaration of war would be of inestimable value.

Government Stands by Old Claim.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 9.—D. P. Strickton, attorney for the executors of the estate of the late W. S. Stratton, leaves tomorrow for Washington, D. C., where he will argue be-

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fore the United States Supreme Court against the claim of the United States Government for \$425, alleged to be still due in revenue stamps upon deeds transferring the Stratton Independence mine in Cripple Creek to the Venture Company, of London. In two former trials the case has been decided in favor of the estate.

FISH LAWS DEMANDED

KLAMATH FALLS WILL ASK FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

Thousands of Salmon Enter Klamath River, but They Refuse to Bite Hook—Grabhook Is Needed.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special).—George H. Merrymen, holding a Senatorial seat in this district, says he does not believe it possible to secure any special fishing laws from the Legislature for the county of Klamath, although some of the hunting laws might be amended, he says. He says a strong sentiment developed at the last session of the Legislature to cut the fishing seasons all over the State down to a much narrower margin, and if the same feeling prevails at this session he believes the State laws governing the open and closed season for fish will be chopped down until fishing will only be allowed in any waters of the State in the future during a few months in the Summer season.

The Senator says that owing to the fact that the Multnomah delegation is so much stronger in numbers than the more inland ones of the State, the laws to a large extent are formed and dominated by them.

The sentiment there, as well as in many other places in the State, seemed to be strongly at the last term in favor of making a fish protective law that will give a shorter fishing season, and as those lawmakers have the idea that laws that are suited to their part of the State are suited to Klamath, I am much afraid the local people will be disappointed in their desire to get any special laws passed for their special benefit," said the Senator.

The Klamath County Rod and Gun Club desires a special provision lifting the protection from salmon to permit Klamath people to get at least some benefit from the large salmon runs here during the Fall and Spring months. Now no one is allowed to fish other than with a hook and line, and as a salmon will not bite a hook this law gives people here absolutely no chance of catching the millions of salmon in these waters. It is desired to make it lawful to catch salmon, not to exceed two in one day, in any manner except by hook, pole, net, dynamite or seine. If this were lawful the grab hook would be permissible.

It was also desired to have all the waters of the Klamath country open for fishing for trout at all times, except between February 15 and May 15 of each year. During Summer the trout in the lakes of this country are practically worthless for table use.

Chehalis Rebekeh's Meet.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special).—The Rebekeh of Chehalis County held their semi-annual meeting Wednesday. Degree work, addresses and papers were the order of the day. The officers elected are: President, Mrs. Carlson, Hoquiam; vice-president, Mrs. Sparks, Montesano; secretary, Mrs. Buchanan, Cosmopolis; treasurer, Mrs. Bowes, Aberdeen. The next meeting will be held in Okaville.

Forestry Board Fund Exhausted.

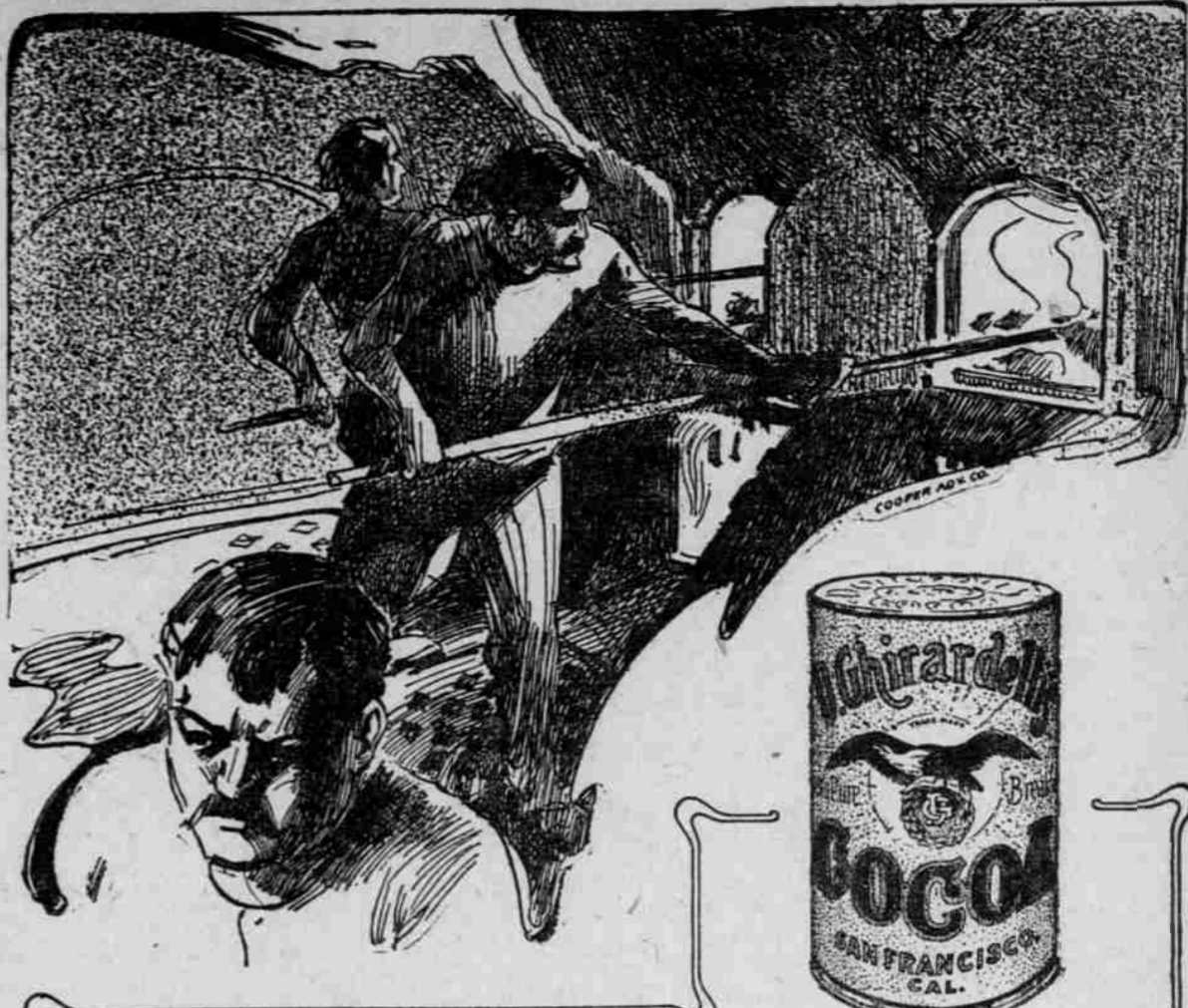
SALEM, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special).—According to a statement just prepared by the Secretary of State, the appropriation for the State Board of Forestry is exhausted. Only \$50 was allowed by the last Legislature and the expenditures just balance this amount.

Liquor License Fixed at \$1000.

UNION, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special).—The Council of the City of Union has adopted an ordinance fixing the license for the sale of intoxicating liquors at \$1000, with restrictions that are in line with the home rule recommendations. Saloon men are not altogether pleased with the new ordinance, but the Council is firm, and it is thought the provisions of the ordinance will be enforced to the letter. No limit has been placed on the number of saloons.

Montesano Druggists Fined.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special).



It often requires heroes at the stoke hole as well as a master mind at the bridge to bring success to the fighting ship. But whatever your position in life you must be in physical trim if you are to accomplish your best. That means you must have foods and beverages which will strengthen your brain and brawn, your muscles and nerves.

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MEN HERE TO GET IDEAS

Tacoma Commissioners Will Look Over Portland Bridges.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special).—Commissioners Lawson, Woods and Freeland left for Portland this afternoon on a junket. They will spend tomorrow inspecting the new bridges across the Willamette River. Neither Mayor Fawcett nor Commissioner Rogers was able to go with the party.

Commissioner of Public Works Lawson has his mind set on another drawbridge on Eleventh street across the city channel, but a majority of the members of the city council are opposed to the idea. If a drawbridge is erected, Mr. Lawson says the city will be able to use the big pier holding up the present bridge. This pier rests on 66 pilings.

Commissioner of Public Works Lawson says Lawson's talk about using the pier for new bridge "foolish." The Commissioners want to see how the Portland bridges are working.

A MAN - SHOPPER BUYS

He Makes Good His Boast to Be Antithesis of Woman.

Boston Herald. "A want to be the antithesis of a woman" declared a breezy looking man with red cheeks who was buying soap at a large department store. Then