

ROSEBURG SLAYER PARTLY EXCUSED

Jury Justifies All Shots but Mortal One Fired at Mahan by McClallen.

LETTERS TO GIRL SHOWN

Victim Had Written of His Love for Miss Spelker—Verdict Void Since Prosecutor—Preliminary Hearing to Be Had.

ROSEBURG, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—"Roy McClallen had good grounds for fearing that B. H. Mahan would take his life, but he was not justified in firing the fourth shot, which took effect in Mahan's back, and was responsible for his death."

District Attorney Brown says the verdict amounts to acquittal, and it will be necessary to declare, to a preliminary examination in the Justice Court to hear the same evidence introduced at the inquest. A complaint will probably be filed against McClallen tomorrow, that the case may be taken to court immediately.

McClallen Takes Stand. Asserting that Mahan, slain here Monday night, had threatened frequently to kill him, McClallen went on the witness stand at the inquest this afternoon and testified that he was compelled to resort to the use of his pistol in self-defense. "I was returning home after a walk, and the shooter, accompanied by Miss Spelker," said the witness, "when I noticed Mahan approaching, I stopped and he reached a point about six or eight feet from where I was standing. I told him to halt. He failed to heed the warning and continued to advance, whereupon I whipped out my revolver and fired four shots. Upon firing the first and second shots Mahan appeared to stagger, but not until I fired the following shots did he fall to the pavement."

Suspicious Movement Told. On interrogation by the District Attorney, McClallen testified that Mahan said his hand to his hip pocket as if to draw a gun. The witness also declared that Mahan was facing him when killed and was not retreating, as contended by several witnesses.

McClallen was the most important witness introduced during the day, and was only excused after a rigid examination by the District Attorney. Walter Good, a barber, who was within a few feet of the slain man when he fell, said that he heard McClallen ask Mahan to halt. "An instant later," said Good, "I heard four shots in rapid succession and upon turning around saw Mahan fall. He fell into the street and fell to the pavement." Attorney E. S. Steele said he had talked with Mahan frequently and had heard him say that there would be three funerals if Miss Spelker continued to associate with other men. Attorney Steele also said that Mahan lay in wait for McClallen several times, and only a few nights ago said, "I will get him yet."

Portland Man Called. A. H. Graham, a Portland salesman, said he was within a few feet of Mahan at the time of the tragedy, and heard McClallen call to him to halt. Mr. Graham also heard Mahan say something which he could not recall. Other witnesses merely told how they had been attracted by the shots and saw Mahan fall.

Prime to adjournment two letters purporting to have been written to Miss Spelker by Mahan were introduced as evidence. One of these charged her with dishonesty while in his employ as bookkeeper, and warned her against associating with other men. The other letter was of an affectionate nature, in which he said he loved her, and could not endure to see her with other men. "I do not know how long I can endure this and I really hope something will happen to end it all," is an excerpt from one of the letters.

Owing to her hysterical condition, Miss Spelker was not called on the stand today. In all 15 witnesses were examined.

CAPTIVE JAILS CAPTOR

Moscow Deputy Sheriff Entangled After Arresting Gambler.

MOSCOW, Idaho, March 15.—(Special.)—A Deputy Sheriff arrested by a Deputy Constable and discharged "for having held up" his prisoner when placed under arrest, was the experience of Zue Kresher, Deputy Sheriff of Troy, when he went to arrest and seize H. L. Seely on a charge of gambling. When Seely was arrested by Kresher he demanded to see the warrant. Kresher did not have a warrant, having made the arrest on his own initiative. Kresher then allowed Seely to go to a hotel, expecting to take his captive to Moscow the next morning. Seely awakened the Justice of the Peace, and obtained a warrant for the arrest of Kresher, who, said Seely, was not a Deputy Sheriff and had held him up. The magistrate appointed John Deary special Deputy Constable to arrest Kresher, who was seized, disarmed of his six-shooter, and arraigned. Deputy Sheriff Kresher was allowed to telephone Sheriff Brown at Moscow, and after considerable wrangling was released. Sheriff Brown then arrested Seely again and took him to Moscow. Seely gave bond and it is understood will confess gambling to gain immunity for giving evidence against Seely. Deary and Harry Stewart, with whom he played poker.

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To St. Paul and the East in effect every day from Tacoma and Seattle on the C. & N. P. S. S. S. Trains leave Tacoma 7 A. M., Seattle 8:30 A. M. Lower berths to Missoula \$2.25; to Butte, \$2.50; Harlowton, \$3; Miles City, \$3.75; St. Paul, \$4. Upper berths extra. Apply to city ticket office, Railway Exchange, Third and Stark streets, for reservations, tickets, etc.

1,311,319,607 Stamps Counted.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Working night day for a week, postoffice inspectors have made a complete count of all the postage stamps stored in the vaults of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving. There are just 1,311,319,607 of all denominations and colors. Director Ralph decided to count all the stamps because of alleged postal irregularities. The account checked to the last one-cent stamp.

PRINCIPALS IN ROSEBURG TRAGEDY WHICH RESULTED FROM RIVALRY IN LOVE.



ABOVE, MISS LILLIAN SPEIKER—BELOW, ROY MCCLALLEN AND B. A. MAHAN, WHOM HE SLEW.

DESIGNER IS NAMED

Board Appoints Portland Man as Architect for State.

W. C. KNIGHTON CHOSEN

Duties of New Office to Be Taken Up Immediately at \$4500 a Year—Saving of \$30,000 for Oregon Predicted.

SALEM, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—One of the most revolutionary moves ever made by the State Board relative to the construction of public buildings was taken today when a determination was reached to hire a salaried State Architect, W. C. Knighton, of Portland, was the selection.

Under the new system the State Architect will receive a salary of \$4500 a year and will have charge of all the architectural work. State Architect Knighton was injured several months ago, when he fell from a building in Portland and was compelled to dissolve his associations with the active work of the profession. For some time he has been in California. He will devote his entire time to the work for the state and it is understood will take up his new office immediately.

Big Saving in View.

According to estimates of State Treasurer Kay, if the state should hire an architect on the old basis to do the work of preparing plans and to supervise the construction of the proposed building for the Eastern Oregon Branch Insane Hospital, at Pendleton, the services for that work would cost the state \$30,000. If the architect had to prepare only the plans the cost would be \$12,000.

In consequence the board sees an opportunity for an enormous saving in this item alone, aside from the buildings that are to be constructed at the State School for the Feeble-Minded, the Reform School, the State Capitol addition and other public work of this nature.

One Contract Exempt.

Inasmuch as a contract has already been entered into with a firm of Portland architects for the plans and supervision of construction at the main asylum receiving ward, this work will be carried on by that firm, but all other state work will be in the hands of Mr. Knighton. It is believed, with all the work in view to be done during the next two years, that a saving of practically \$30,000 may be accomplished by the new plan.

POET SLURS HOOD RIVER

Advertisement Refused, Rhymester Threatens to Decry Apples. HOOD RIVER, Or., March 15.—By a threat to publish a statement in a book, list of poems that will damage Hood River, which he says he will issue, Walter Martin, who was here last Fall, calling himself the "cowboy poet," is trying to secure \$100.

CRITICISING GUARD LOSES PRISON JOB

J. P. McCullough Dismissed From State Penitentiary by Superintendent.

WEST NOT TO INTERFERE

Assertions About Warden Curtis Lead to Discharge—Trouble Predicted, but Governor Seems to Be Satisfied.

SALEM, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—J. P. McCullough, who for some time has been a guard at the State Penitentiary, was instructed to leave his position this morning by Superintendent James, because McCullough had seen fit to criticize some of the methods employed by the present penitentiary administration. Governor McCullough's assertions were directed principally at Warden Curtis.

"If he desires to criticize the methods used here he must criticize them as an outsider," said Superintendent James today, "but he cannot do so while receiving his pay as a member of the force here. Warden Curtis and his work receive the fullest commendation and should not be criticized by employes."

Considerable talk was heard here today to the effect that McCullough is a close friend of Governor West and that his dismissal might result in a disruption of the present official administration at the penitentiary. The Governor declares, however, that he is not acquainted with McCullough, that the prison is in charge of Superintendent James and that the executive officers have received no official notice that a guard has been discharged. Governor West also indicates that there is no change in prospect at the penitentiary and that there is every indication that Superintendent James will remain in charge for the next four years.

GOAL FIND STIRS CITY

WELL DIGGER UNCOVERS VEIN MILE WEST OF SALEM.

Deposit is Encountered Beneath Layer of Sandstone at Depth of 44 Feet.

SALEM, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—Discovery of what is declared to be a coal deposit on a small tract on the Roberts ranch, about a mile west of Salem, in Polk County, set the town agog today. The discovery was made this morning by men employed on the H. P. Chase drilling machine.

They were seeking for water. At a depth of 38 feet the first coal vein was struck. This vein was thin, being but five or six inches thick, but was well defined.

At a depth of 44 feet, a deeper vein was struck, but the coal was broken up and apparently scattered. The quality is declared to be excellent and the indications point to a discovery of some magnitude.

H. P. Chase said tonight that the coal deposits discovered west of the river were found after drilling through sandstone rock. He says that while the present veins discovered are apparently small, the indications are excellent and that endeavors will be immediately made to determine just the extent of the deposits and the value of the find.

HOUSE TOPPLES, ONE DEAD

Two Women, Three Men Hurt in Lowering Seattle Dwelling.

SEATTLE, March 15.—A frame dwelling in the re-grade district near Terry avenue and Stewart street collapsed today while being lowered to a new foundation, killing Kanaut Dovond, a carpenter, aged 47, and injuring five other persons. The injured are: Mrs. John Hyer, breast crushed; internal injuries. Mrs. Minnie Colman, sister of Mrs. Hyer, cut and bruised about head and shoulders. George McDonald, house-moving foreman, severely cut; back wrenched. Frank Sandberg, laborer; head severely cut; hip wrenched. Robert Touch, head cut; arms and back wrenched.

The ruins of the house caught fire, and the fire department was called. The fire department was called. The fire department was called. The fire department was called. The fire department was called.

CANADIANS WANT ALASKA

Prince Rupert Merchant Says Annexation Will Be Savior.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 15.—(Special.)—There will continue to be dissatisfaction until the American authorities realize that the only salvation for Alaska lies in her annexation to Canada," said Duff Pattullo, a well-known merchant of Prince Rupert. Mr. Pattullo said that during the winter hundreds of Alaskans who had come to Prince Rupert expressed disgust with the condition of affairs in the territory. Such rigid conservation plans are being carried out, they said, that old-timers can't make a living, and are moving away.

"I am told that the country is in a state of unrest and the people want the Canadian flag," continued Mr. Pattullo.

Seaview Resident Dies Suddenly. SEAVIEW, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—Chester H. Stout died here suddenly Thursday. Mr. Stout was born in Iiwaco June 2, 1870, and resided in Pacific County all his life. He is survived by three brothers and a sister—John S. Stout, of Ocean Park; Phil G. and Oliver R. Stout, of Seaview; and Mrs. Inez E. Beaver, of Portland. The services were held at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Iiwaco Saturday.

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FIRE CONSUMES HOARD

Aberdeen Man Who Dislikes Banks Loses Home and Coin.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—Besides losing his home by fire today, Stanley Wainkowski also lost \$200 in the blaze as a result of his aversion to banks. He refused to deposit his money and had it hidden in the house.

The fire enveloped the house so quickly that it was impossible to save anything, even the money. The loss of the house alone would have been comparatively small.

Beaver Valley Road Surveyed.

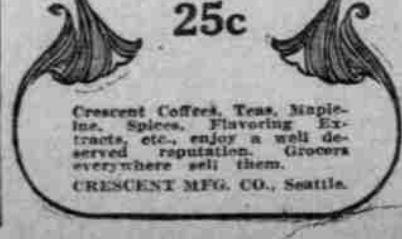
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