

LEADER OF CULT BRANDED VAGRANT

Dayton, Wash., Jury Convicts Advocate of Free-Love. \$50 Fine Imposed.

SUPPORTERS AROUSE TOWN

Ministers Quarrel, Congregations May Split Following Trial of Dr. Algeron Ira Lucas, Who Goes Back to Jail.

DAYTON, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—Dr. Algeron Ira Lucas, lecturer, alleged clairvoyant and advocate of the most bitter strife peaceful Dayton has known in years.

The trial was stormy, tumultuous and chaotic when Dr. Lucas rose to read a telegram in his own behalf.

The telegram read by the prisoner was from his home town, Santa Barbara, Cal., and contained the following:

Telegram in His Favor.

"Lucas, born and reared here. He's all right, although eccentric regarding religious views. Give him protection of the law."

Sentiment was clearly in favor of the pilgrim and remarks of disapproval were audible whenever the prosecution scored against the prisoner.

Ministers in Quarrel.

In the afternoon recess Rev. J. Porter, pastor of the Christian Church, who had taken active part against Dr. Lucas, was surrounded by men and women who resented statements said to have been made by the clergyman against the transient lecturer.

Dr. Lucas gave notice that he would appeal the case, and was remanded to jail, his pleading for pecuniary assistance from the crowd of near-fighters for him not winning any collection.

SALE LEADS TO ARREST

J. Sam Cole Held for Deal in Artificially Heated Springs.

J. Sam Cole was arrested last night by Patrolmen Shaffer and Johnson on a warrant sworn to by F. A. Young, charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses.

JOYRIDERS PLACED IN JAIL

Harry Welch Says He Didn't Intend to Keep Borrowed Auto.

Harry Welch, who took an automobile belonging to Dr. Frank Holton, one night last August without asking permission and treated a crowd of friends to a joy ride on the Base Line Road that wound up by the machine running over an embankment and wrecking it, was arrested by Patrolmen Shaffer and Johnson last night on a charge of battery by Harry Welch, who was arrested at his home, 1125 North Twenty-fifth street.

CHINESE FUND GROWING

Eight Hundred Dollars Needed to Make Total of \$10,000.

A few more checks were turned into the Chinese famine fund, yesterday, under the direction of Ben Selling. The collections are said to be coming in quite satisfactorily.

ITALY CELEBRATES UNITY

Art Exhibition Opened by King With Significant Speech.

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The celebration is offensive to the Holy See, and some of the less orderly attempted to approach the Vatican, but were met by a strong detachment of police and turned back.

King Victor Emmanuel replied to the addresses of several officials with an address that made a deep impression. The Americans present were: Ambassador Lehman, Harrison S. Morris, the United States Commissioner to the exhibition, and J. P. Morgan, president of the Foreign Committee.

In his address the King recalled that to have the capital the center of United Italy was the dream of the Latin poet Dante, and "eternal as Rome" had become a common expression. He continued: "Today the King is here surrounded by free representatives of Parliament and the municipalities of the kingdom, living symbols of indissoluble political union and local franchise."

EUGENE COMMERCIAL CLUB'S NEW OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.



EUGENE, Ore., March 27.—(Special.)—At the regular annual meeting of the Eugene Commercial Club tonight, M. J. Duryea was elected president for the coming year.

At the same time, the club has just signed a lease for new quarters for the coming five years, and construction will be begun at once on a new building.

stabile enthusiasm. We cannot, in a brief time, repair the effects of many centuries bequeathed to our nation has had to make titanic efforts to transform debased measures into laws for a free people, jealous of its rights.

SHERIDAN TRACT OPEN

5000-ACRE PLANTED ORCHARD TO BE DIVIDED.

Bungalows to Rise on Every 10 Acres of Project Financed By Eastern Men.

SHERIDAN, Ore., March 27.—(Special.)—The Clearview Orchard Company has just opened 5000 acres of planted orchard for subdivision purposes, three miles south of Sheridan. Roads leading to the orchards of the new subdivision will be macadamized and bungalows are planned for every 10 acres.

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NEWPORT POWER PLANT SOLD.

NEWPORT, Ore., March 27.—(Special.)—The franchise and plant of the Newport Power Company has been sold to Henry Hewitt, J. J. Hewitt and Seymour H. Bell. Tacoma and Portland capitalists. The new owners will spend \$20,000 on reconstruction and re-equipment of the plant.

ELGIN CROP OUTLOOK GOOD.

ELGIN, Ore., March 27.—(Special.)—Fruit buds are not sufficiently here to be damaged by a freeze, and the outlook for a heavy fruit crop is good for Elgin. Indications are that much Summer fallow wheat land will produce potatoes this year. It is estimated that 300 acres of potatoes will be grown about Elgin.

LOVE LETTERS READ

Alleged Wife-Slayer Takes Witness Stand.

DETAILED DENIAL IS MADE

J. M. McDowell Says "Good News" in Epistle to Woman Meant Divorce and Not Death, as Prosecution Alleges.

SPOKANE, WASH., MARCH 27.—(Special.)—J. M. McDowell, on trial for alleged killing of his wife at Springton, November 7, this morning at Cour d'Alene told of his relations with Mrs. Lela Traylor, the writing of certain love letters and the sending of a telegram a short time after hearing of the death of his wife.

"I have never been to a divorcee's home," McDowell said, "and I did not intend to marry her. When Attorney Potts, for the prosecution, asked him what he meant by certain passages in the letters, telling of 'good news,' the witness said he referred to the divorce his wife intended to obtain."

When asked to explain what he meant by writing "I have never been to a divorcee's home," McDowell said he was after December 10, and I can then call you my own," McDowell said he was a lawyer and everything will be all right after that it would take that length of time to obtain a divorce.

"This is the good news you had for Mrs. Traylor," Attorney Potts, holding up the telegram which McDowell said to have sent to the woman at Lewiston a short time after hearing of his wife's death, asked McDowell.

"As soon as you could get to the telegraph office, you wired this 'good news,' did you not?" "I did."

In explaining his trip to Lewiston following the death of his wife, the witness said he went on the solicitation of Eva Gray.

The prosecution has completed its cross-examination and the defense announced it would complete its case by tonight. The state will devote the session Tuesday in rebuttal, after which the attorneys will begin their arguments. The case will probably go to the jury Tuesday night.

ONE SETTLER BRINGS 30

PROSPERITY OF JARRETT COOK ATTRACTS OLD FRIENDS.

Kentuckians Start for Lewis County, Washington, When Hearing How \$1200 Bailed to \$40,000.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—That a man can make himself comfortably well-to-do from a small beginning in the Pacific Northwest, Washington, has been fully demonstrated more than once by people who have settled in this section.

Mr. Cook, who has prospered in the case of Jarrett Cook, of Riffe, in Eastern Lewis County, 40 miles from Chehalis. Mr. Cook's teacher home this week, in company with his wife, after a visit with relatives and friends in Pike County, Kentucky, their former home.

Four years ago, Jarrett Cook and family came to Lewis County from Pike County, Kentucky. Mr. Cook had small capital, but with the \$1200 he brought West with him, he bought a 120-acre farm at Riffe. After paying \$500 for this place, Mr. Cook had \$700 left. He spent this sum in improving his property.

Today the place is conservatively estimated to be worth \$5000. During the past 16 years by earnest effort, Mr. Cook has accumulated more land and today owns 357 acres, in addition to the 120 originally purchased. He is worth on a conservative estimate about \$40,000.

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Hotel bar Saturday morning were true in every respect. Considerable street talk is heard here indicating that a petition may be circulated in an attempt to recall Mayor Lachmund.

BODY FOUND NEAR DOCK

Disappearance of Wallace Stuart is Cleared.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—After two days of continuous searching of the river and exploring dynamite the body of Wallace Stuart, ex-Representative, was found at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the Willapa River only a few feet from the wharf near the office of the Tokeland Oyster Company of which Mr. Stuart was president.

Mr. Stuart had been missing since Wednesday when he was seen going to the office of the Tokeland Oyster Company. He had come to South Bend from White Home, Okla., intending to leave for New York the next morning.

Mr. Stuart is survived by a son, a sister, Mrs. W. D. Taylor, of Ocean Park and a brother, Captain Charles Stuart, of Cape Disappointment Life-Saving Station.

Mr. Stuart was among the first to transplant Eastern oysters successfully in Willapa Harbor. He was born in this county, his father settling below South Bend in the early days.

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CAR GATE STRIKES WOMAN

Loaded Automobile Drives Too Close to Grade Crossing.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—Dropping down on Sprague avenue while a Northern Pacific train went by at Davison street, the heavy crossing gates struck an automobile driven by J. H. Starbird, Sunday evening and inflicted severe injuries to Miss Marjorie King, who sat in the driver's seat.

"I heard the engine whistle for the crossing," said Mr. Starbird today, "and slowed down the machine to almost a walking pace. It was just after 7 o'clock and dark at the time. The first intimation I had that we were closed on Sprague was when one struck me on the arm and knocked me back from the steering wheel. It bounded up again and came down with great force on Miss King's head, narrowly missing my niece's little girl who sat beside her. Miss King fainted three times on the way home, fast as we went. She is now in a serious state."

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STREET TAX IS ILLEGAL

Property Owners Liable for Taking Money for Vehicle Space.

Acceptance of money by abutting property owners for allowing wagons and automobiles to stand in front of their property, is illegal, and may even be subject for criminal prosecution under a charge of larceny by embezzlement, says Deputy District Attorney Hennessy. The official is making a study of the law governing the matter, and may commence prosecutions.

A small riot among express men at Sixth and Stark streets yesterday, brought the question up in Municipal Court. Four contenders for an advantageous post at that point were arrested by Patrolman Hunter. They were Hyman Unkeles, Phillip Spindel, Morris Schlerer and Jacob Kessler. They were given an immediate trial, which resulted in suspension of sentence against them.

Laning Under New Charge.

ELYRIA, O., March 27.—Ex-Representative Jay F. Laning, acquitted here by order of Judge Willis Vickers last Thursday on a charge of misapplying the funds of the Ohio Loan, Savings & Investment Company, of Norwalk, shortly before it was absorbed by the

That 25,344,000 soap bubbles can be produced from a pound of soap has been figured out by mathematical genius.

FOOTPRINT IS CLEW

Safety-Deposit Boxes of Wasco Bank Robbed.

BIG HOLE IN WALL MADE

Crackmen Overlook \$500 in Stamps and Safe of Concern—Amount of Loot Unknown—Mark of Bicycle Shoe Only Trace.

WASCO, Ore., March 27.—(Special.)—An imprint of a bicycle shoe 1 1/4 inches long is the only clew to the crackmen who drilled through the large vault of the Wasco Warehouse Milling Company, bankers, last night and fled with an unknown amount of coin taken from safety deposit boxes. None of the bank's money was touched and stamps worth \$500 were not molested, although Postmaster Tate lost all his personal funds in a safety deposit box.

The robbery was discovered this morning when the bank was opened for the day's business. The crackmen had drilled a hole in the masonry large enough for a man to enter and safety deposit boxes, broken, were strewn about the place. F. R. Fortner, cashier, was robbed of a collection of coins, all small in value, kept by him on account of their early dates. Postmaster Tate refuses to tell the amount of his loss.

In addition to the footprint clew, two strangers were seen leaving Wasco this morning and evidently headed for Biggs. Sheriff Freeman to intercept them went to Rufus by automobile, thence by train to Biggs and walked toward Wasco without seeing any trace of the men. It is supposed that the crackmen are in hiding in the brush to wait for nightfall to continue their flight. A train was watched in hope of capturing them.

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NO SUNDAY MAIL, IS CRY

Spokane Petitioners, 23,327 Strong, Appeal to Postmaster.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—The Postoffice in Spokane is proposed, shall be closed on Sundays, Walter F. Edrie, postmaster, said this morning that he had decided to recommend to the department at Washington that the office be closed on Sundays, and it is believed that such a recommendation will be acted upon favorably. A petition for Sunday closing bearing 23,327 names was received this morning by Mr. Edrie and will be forwarded to Washington, accompanying his recommendation. The closing of the postoffice means that there will be no general delivery of mail on Sundays, and that special arrangements, probably that of paying a special delivery fee, will be necessary to get a letter delivered.

It is probable that part of the general delivery department will be kept open for the benefit of the transient of Spokane.

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