

MURDER AND ARSON DENIED BY SUSPECT

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BURNS, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Robert Scheibe, in jail here charged with the murder of J. H. Webster, a trapper, and with burning the barn and six horses of Rancher Vollmers, denies that he committed the crimes, although circumstantial evidence against him is strong. Scheibe professes friendship for Vollmers, and says that he stopped at the latter's cabin for several nights, and had no reason to feel ill toward him. Motive for the killing of Webster, also, is lacking as yet. When found the dead man had \$150 on his person, and the authorities therefore are convinced that the crime was committed by an insane man.

Scheibe betrays no evidence of any mental defect. He says that he is 24 years old and a native of Germany, coming to America when four years old. He says that his relatives lived at Batavia, Ill., the last he knew. Scheibe acknowledges that he served two years in the Illinois state prison for shooting at a man.

Scheibe's arrest followed the discovery of fire in Vollmers' barn and the finding of the bullet-riddled body of Webster in a covered wagon near a cabin a short distance from the "Double O" ranch.

Scheibe was trailed by a posse of neighbors to a cabin where he had taken refuge. The cabin was surrounded and Scheibe commanded to surrender. He refused, and when the neighbors attempted to push the door of the cabin open, they were met by a shot from the fugitive's rifle, which narrowly missed J. E. Sizemore, who was in the lead. Sizemore seized the gun and wrested from Scheibe's hand, and then the other men in the posse rushed in and overpowered Scheibe.

Webster, the murdered trapper, was 65 years old, and had lived in this section for the last few months.

BERNHARDT FILMS SHOWN

Big Crowds See Pictures of Actress
at Majestic Theater.

Sarah Bernhardt never played to a more enthusiastic audience than last night at the Majestic Theater, when a marvelous film of her as Camille in Sardou's emotional drama was presented to crowds that packed the house continuously. The production is in perfect form, and the lines can be read by the motion of the lips. The play is set in one of the great theaters of Paris and the "Divine Sarah" is surrounded by her famous all-star company.

The film was taken a few years ago when Mrs. Bernhardt was at the zenith of her fame and considered the best Camille that the stage has ever seen. It was in this character that she could give full sway to her emotional feelings that could rouse the most phlegmatic disposition to the reality of her acting. Until the climax of the final scene, when she dies in the arms of her lover, every atom of emotion in those who watch the performance is brought out.

Camille, as portrayed by Sarah Bernhardt, is much quieter than that of many other actresses who have essayed the character. Her face is so positively in keeping with the scene and lines as to personify the character and make it real.

The film, which will be repeated today at the Majestic, is to see Sarah Bernhardt at her best, surrounded as she only was once by a company that she personally selected from the greatest actors and actresses in France.

DR. YOUNG MAKES ADDRESS

Minister Speaks at Sellwood for
Common Sense Religion.

Dr. Benjamin Young, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, addressed an audience at the Young Men's Christian Association at Sellwood yesterday. His lecture contained three topics: Common sense, old-fashioned grit and plain religion.

"Common sense should be introduced into the public school system," said Dr. Young. "Judges, teachers and others have been studying in the cause of juvenile crime for 10 years. We need moral emphasis in our public schools. This is not meant as a criticism of the teachers and school boards, but to emphasize the fact that the moral training has been lost from general education."

"I would not contend strongly for the placing of the Bible in public schools, although personally I believe it belongs there. A knowledge of the 'Thou shalt nots' in the 10 commandments should be by every public education in the form of a rule of life."

"Citizenship of the right kind is the foundation of a nation."

"A man must have a firm character and that requires grit and a stiff backbone. More than emotional religion is necessary. Religion is not for Heaven; it is to bring us here if we are willing. Matter of fact religion is what is needed."

LINERS KEEP COMPANY

La Savole and Campania Run Side
by Side Across Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The La Savole, of the French line, and the Campania, of the Cunard line, arrived at about the same hour today after voyages across the Atlantic in which they were almost always in sight of each other.

The passengers exchanged many pleasant greetings and few set with those aboard the companion vessel as to which would reach the pier first. The Campania won by less than an hour.

Aboard the Savole was Mr. Monet, the new French Consul-General at San Francisco.

"BEN HUR" HERE TONIGHT

General Lew Wallace's Play Will Be
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Beginning tonight and continuing every night this week at the Hellie Theater, Eleventh and Morrison streets, Portland playgoers will see Klaw &

ERLANGER'S INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION OF "BEN HUR" THE DRAMATIZATION OF GENERAL LEW WALLACE'S GREAT STORY OF THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THE CHRIST.

"Ben Hur" has been seen by more than 10,000,000 people during the past 13 years. It is as fresh and new today as on its first production.

Dealing with the period of the world's most marvelous military grandeur—the time when Rome with her superb system was supreme in the known countries of the globe—the play presents much history, much romance, and the romance of the time, and yet is so plentiful in its allusions to the central theme of its story that it is acclaimed by all who see it.

The story of the Prince of the House of Hur, his sufferings, his temptations, his firm reliance on his ultimate success, and the culmination of his hopes in the recovery of his mother and sister, even at the 11th hour when all hope is lost, apparently give abundant scope for the art of the dramatist. The tale carries the audience through the place and into untold dangers and adventures, and even into the seduction of the Egyptian enchantress Irais.

The chariot race, a superb spectacle, is the pinnacle of 20th century stagecraft. Nothing more exciting to the blood, more thrilling to the eye, more powerful in its dramatic significance, has ever been evolved by author or creator of theatrical spectacles. It is the epitome of effort in the range of dramatic dynamics.

A special matinee will be given Wednesday and a matinee Saturday.

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The brief also contains many legal decisions, submitted to prove that the Stock Exchange cannot be subject to the Interstate Commerce act.

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