

WIFE SAYS SHE SHOT TO SAVE CAILLAUX

Slayer of Figaro Editor Obsessed by Idea Husband Intended Violence.

TERRIBLE FEAR IS FELT

Wretched Meal, Prepared by Cook on Verge of Leaving, Contributes to State of Mind Leading Up to Fatal Shooting.

PARIS, March 24.—"My fear of the consequences of the publication of some private correspondence in Figaro led to my assassination of Gaston Calmette," Madame Caillaux told the examining magistrate today.

"I also had been obsessed with the idea that my husband might be driven to commit the crime," she said, "and so decided to do it myself."

"France and the republic have need of you. I do not want you to sacrifice yourself."

Before going to the Figaro office Mme. Caillaux had left this note for her husband, who, she feared, might commit an act of violence against M. Calmette.

Incidents of Day Described. When she entered the court M. Boucard said to her: "Give us an account of what you did on Monday, the day you shot Gaston Calmette."

Mme. Caillaux replied: "Shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning I received Fernand Monier, Chief Judge of the Civil Tribunal of the Seine, with whom I had spoken, as I have previously told you, on the question whether any legal means existed to prevent the publication of my private letters in the Figaro."

"Judge Monier was unable to make any suggestion to me. He said, 'I will leave my house at half past 8. I then telephoned to my husband to come to the house at 2 P. M. I was prevented and then visited my dentist. Afterward I drove to the Ministry of Finance and told my husband what Judge Monier had said.'

"My husband was furious. He exclaimed, 'Then there is nothing else for me to do except to go and break his neck.'

Cook Leaving, Meal Wretched One. "I did not doubt at that moment that my husband intended to commit some act of extreme violence."

"In this state of mind we took our lunch together at home. The meal was a wretched one. Our cook, who was to leave us that very evening, had neglected her work. I could eat nothing."

"Mme. Caillaux seemed to feel keenly the annoyance among the delegates throughout that day. She continued: "Although we both talked a good deal about the bad quality of the lunch, I was in reality becoming more and more preoccupied with the nervousness of my husband. I could think of no means to prevent the publication of my letters which I feared would appear in the newspaper."

"My fright over my husband's words grew and I felt with increasing anxiety of taking some step against the editor of the Figaro."

Plea of Illness Made. "I felt so nervous and irritated that it seemed impossible for me to go to the Italian embassy to see the king, and I telephoned that I was ill."

"Then, more than ever, I became obsessed with the desire to go and see Gaston Calmette. A terrible fear clutched me lest my husband, who is a remarkably good shot, should kill Calmette. In my mind I already pictured to myself the figure of my husband on the prisoner's bench. What added to my anguish was a deep, personal, conscientious scruple. For there was no use concealing from myself that I should be the involuntary cause of this terrifying drama."

"Mme. Caillaux told of her movements on the afternoon of the crime among them being her visit to a gunsmith to buy a revolver."

M. Boucard interrupted her to ask if at this moment she placed her act of violence against M. Calmette.

"Not entirely," replied Mme. Caillaux. "The idea then began only to take root."

Mme. Caillaux said she had bought a revolver, after refusing one the trigger of which worked too hard, for protection on nights in the country during the electoral campaign of her husband, whom she intended to accompany. After buying the weapon Mme. Caillaux went home and later left for the office of the Figaro.

BANK PRESIDENT IS SHOT

Masked Man Dangerously Wounds Head of Suspended Institution.

SUPERIOR, Neb., March 24.—Captain C. E. Adams, president of the First National Bank of this city, which recently closed its doors, was shot tonight and dangerously wounded by a masked man who attacked him at the mouth of an alley as Captain Adams was returning to his home from the business part of the town. Captain Adams was twice wounded in the head. He was able to walk two and a half blocks to his home, where he fainted.

Since the failure of the bank Captain Adams has received several anonymous letters threatening him harm. He is one of the pioneer residents and business men of Southern Nebraska. He has long been prominent in political and Grand Army circles and was a candidate for commander-in-chief at the last meeting of the grand encampment.

WRIT OF MANDAMUS DENIED

Lumber Company Loses Suit Over Tax Payment at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—The petition of the Dubois Lumber Company, asking for a writ of mandamus directing the County Treasurer to accept \$402 in part payment of its taxes, was dismissed by Circuit Judge Campbell today.

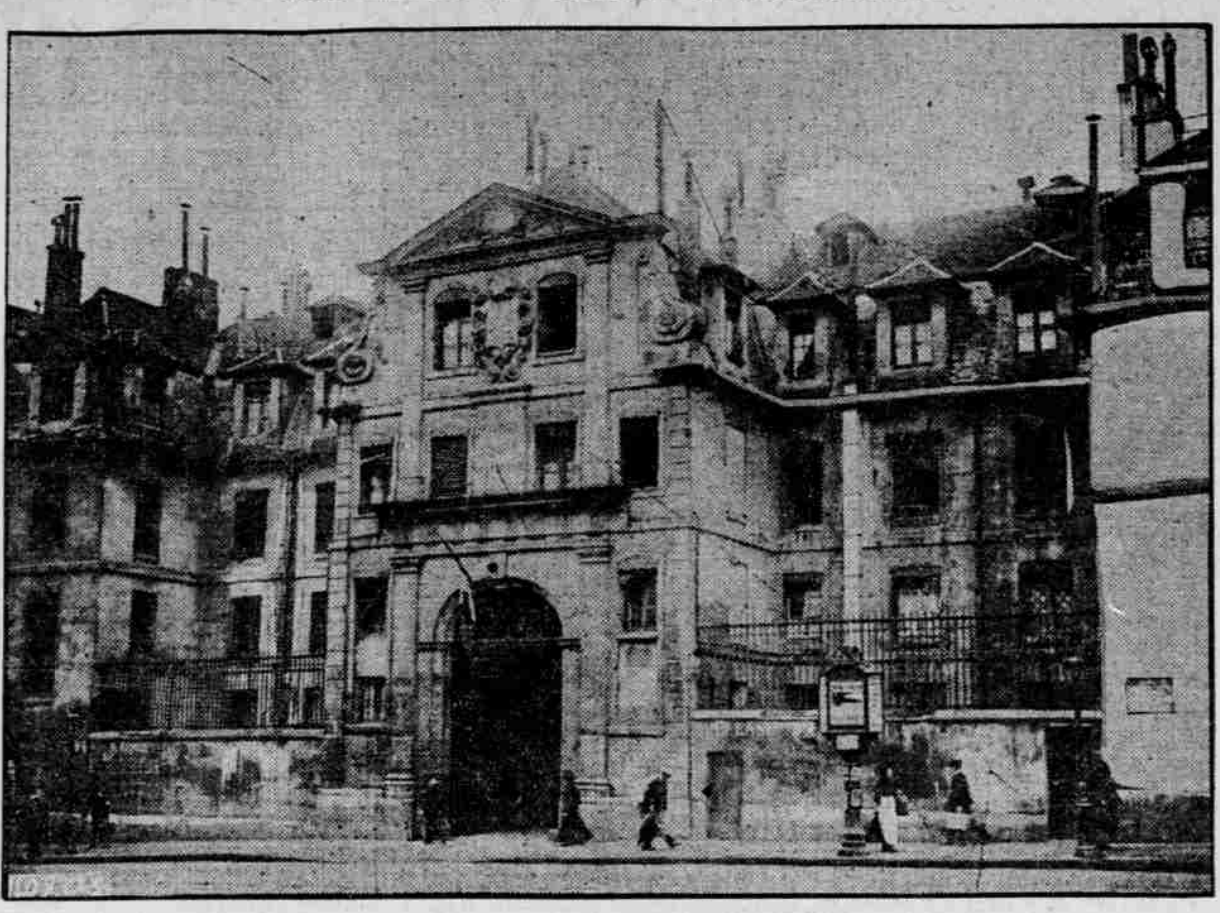
The amount tendered was the full amount of tax on a certain tract of timber land owned by the company, excepting the special taxes levied by Road District No. 15 and by the Port of Astoria Commission. The petition made no contention that either the road district or port tax was illegal.

In dismissing the petition, the court said that under the state law the plaintiff either must pay all its taxes or let them become delinquent.

Child Scalded to Death.

KEWANEE, Ill., March 21.—While his mother's back was turned Edward Szpiaz, 2 years old, sat down in a pan of boiling water. Death followed in a few hours.

NOTORIOUS ST. LAZARRE PRISON, WHERE, IN CELL NO. 12, MADAME HENRIETTE CAILLAUX, WIFE OF THE FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER, THE SLAYER OF GASTON CALMETTE, LATE EDITOR OF "FIGARO," IS INCARCERATED



St. Lazarre is one of the oldest prisons in Paris, and probably the best-known institutions in France, being notorious for the harsh and cruel treatment meted out to the unfortunate ones confined there. It was in cell No. 12 that Mme. Steinheil and Mme. Humbert were confined at the time their famous cases were enacted.

ROSE PLAN DRAWS

All Parts of City to Aid in Display During Festival.

BLOOM CENTER IS INTENT

Idea of Competitive Showing in Booths on Street Gathers Support at Meeting of Delegates From Organizations.

Every residence section in the city was represented at the meeting at the Commercial Club last night to arrange for the district display of choice roses in the official festival center during the coming June celebration. The plan, which is entirely new, developed marked enthusiasm among the delegates, more than half of whom were women, after President Colt and Secretary Currey had outlined the general scope and requirements of the Carnival season.

Cash prizes aggregating \$200 will be distributed to the winning districts in the following manner: First prize, for district having and maintaining the finest display, \$100; second prize, \$50; third prize, \$25; fourth prize, \$15, and fifth prize, \$10.

The exhibition will continue throughout the four days of the Festival and the blooms will be shown in booths placed along the curbs and sidewalks of the several blocks which will be set aside for the Festival center. The Festival will furnish the booths, of which there will be more than 20 in number. Each district will also be supplied with 50 vases, or 1000 all told, and with baskets and other containers, so that the flowers may be presented at their best.

Wide latitude will be allowed the competing clubs and societies in the way of decorating and dressing up their individual booths, and a certain number of points will be allowed for the general appearance of the booth. Other varieties of flowers, greenery and plants and decorative effects will be permitted in the dressing of the rose booths.

Additional credit will be given the exhibitors for the best showing made in renewals of freshly-cut flowers each day of the display.

The management is working out a scheme whereby the flowers that have been shown for a day need not be thrown away, but good use will be made of them.

The clubs and districts represented at last night's meeting were: Irvington Club, East Twenty-eighth Street Improvement Club, South Portland Booster Club, Portland Heights Club, Beaumont Push Club, Laurelhurst Club, Sellwood Board of Trade, Woodlawn Improvement Association, Rose City Park Club, Sunnyside Improvement Club, Willamette Heights Club, Kenilworth Improvement Club, Mount Scott Improvement Club, Montana Board of Trade, Mount Tabor Improvement Association, Overlook Improvement Club, Irvington Park Club and Council Crest Club.

50,000 NOW REGISTERED

BOOKS FOR PRIMARIES TO CLOSE ON MAY 1.

In Next Five Weeks It Is Estimated 25,000 More Citizens Will Place Names on Registers.

Registration figures continue to grow smaller each day, with the result that yesterday only 509 voters registered, nine more than half the number that registered Saturday. The total to date is 50,281.

The registration books for the primaries will close May 1. In the next five weeks it is estimated that 25,000 more will register. The total registration to date, by party, follows:

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republicans, Democrats, Progressives, Independents, Socialists, and a Total row.

PARTY LEAD DUE TO WOMEN

Baker County Registration Returns Show Republicans Ahead.

BAKER, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—The Republicans hold a lead on the registration books of Baker County due to the women. Out of a total of 3472 registered voters the Republicans have a lead over the Democrats of 28, but

there are 89 more women registered as Republicans than there are Democrats.

Socialists are maintaining a relatively high registration. Almost half of the registration last week was that of women. Following is the total to Saturday night:

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republican, Democrat, Socialist, Prohibition, Progressive, Independent, Not declared, and a Total row.

WASCO COUNTY

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republicans, Democrats, Socialists, Progressives, Independents, Refused to state, and a Total row.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republicans, Democrats, Socialists, Progressives, Independents, Refused to state, and a Total row.

JACKSON COUNTY

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republicans, Democrats, Progressives, Socialists, Independents, Refused to state, and a Total row.

WHEELER HEARS BOOTH

APPRECIATIVE CROWD GREET SENATORIAL CANDIDATE.

Rural Credits and Transportation and Free Tolls for American Coastwise Ships Speech Topics.

WHEELER, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Robert A. Booth, Republican candidate for the United States Senate, made an address here tonight before an appreciative crowd. Mr. Booth made a good, sound business talk rather than a political address, and he made an exceedingly favorable impression.

He talked at length on rural credits and transportation, which, he said, were closely linked. He wants free tolls for American coastwise ships through the Panama Canal, asserting that Americans were greatly benefited by the canal. He advocated fairness in dealing with general utility service corporations, cutting out of the watered stocks of railroads, and a more just basis of dealing between the producer and consumer. This, he said, was a matter that the Government was interested in and he urged that it be promoted, if elected, to devote his best energies to bring about closer relations and cheaper money for the farmers.

Mr. Booth was the guest of the Nehalem Harbor Commission while here and was taken by boat up the river to Nehalem, thence to the mouth of the river, where the jetty work is in progress. He lauded the plan of the Commission for raising all the money needed for the harbor improvements at once instead of doing it in dribs, and prophesied great benefits would follow good water transportation.

A number of women attended the meeting and he urged them to register and get out and vote.

Mr. Booth leaves in the morning for Tillamook, where he will make an address tomorrow night.

BUILDING OF TANK UPHELD

Mr. Dieck to Recommend Permitting Construction of Gas Tank.

Despite the fight made before the City Council last week by residents of the district about East Twelfth and Clifton streets against the construction of a gas tank on property owned there by the Portland Gas and Coke Company, City Commissioner Dieck will recommend to the Council the opening of the way for the construction of the tank.

In recommendations and a report which he has prepared on the subject, he says the section is losing its semblance as a residence district. The proposition probably will be before the Council Friday.

Pioneer Rancher Dies at Salem.

SALEM, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—John W. Frohman, a pioneer of Marion County, died at his home near this city Sunday night after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Frohman was 89 years old and was a native of Germany. He is survived by his widow, six sons and two daughters.

Oregon Sheriff Indicted.

SALEM, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Oscar Kelsey, Sheriff of Wheeler County, has been indicted here on a charge of having plotted to bring a boy brought by him to the State Reform School several months ago, with intoxicating liquor.

BODY IS EXHUMED

Woman's Death at Springfield Causes Suspicion.

TALK OF MURDER SPREADS

District Attorney Acts in Case of Mrs. Edith Bossen, Who Died at Early Morning Hour After Reported Sudden Illness.

EUGENE, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Acting on reports that indicated murder may have been committed, District Attorney J. M. Devers today directed the disinterment of Mrs. Edith Bossen, who died suddenly last Friday morning at her home near Springfield, and the body was taken to that place late this afternoon and a post mortem examination held.

The physicians report to Mr. Devers he will have no statement to make public further than that he said tonight he felt the rumors were so serious that they merited fullest investigation. The woman's stomach was removed and will be submitted to analysis, and the results will be known in a few days.

Mrs. Bossen's mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Levens came from Elkton upon receiving word of the woman's death, and Mrs. Levens is still here, as is Mrs. Bossen's sister.

Mrs. Bossen, who was 37 years of age, was in usual health Thursday night, but was taken ill about midnight and died before 6 o'clock in the morning, before a doctor could be called. Reports that she had taken a overdose of some medicine spread at once and caused the attention of the District Attorney.

SIGNER'S FAITH PUZZLE

POLITICAL STANDING OF CHARLES W. ACKERSON NOT CLEAR.

Aspirant for Republican National Committeeman Appears on Petition of Dr. Henry W. Coe, Progressive.

SALEM, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Charles W. Ackerson is on record in the Secretary of State's office as being both a Progressive and a Republican and Salem politicians are wondering just where the Portland man stands politically. He is an aspirant for Republican National committeeman and his signature stands out prominently among those on the nominating petition of Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, who desires to be Progressive National committeeman.

Secretary of State Oloott said tonight he discovered today that Mr. Ackerson had signed Dr. Coe's petition and that he name would eventually have to be stricken from it, if he remained an aspirant for the office under the Republican party.

The law provides that only members of the party of the person seeking office may sign his nominating petition.

A HAPPY CHILD IN JUST A FEW HOURS

When cross, constipated or if feverish give "California Syrup of Figs" then don't worry.

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become tightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it, and it cannot cause injury. No difference what ail your little one—if full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully at the seal that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.—Adv.

THESE Stein-Bloch and Atterbury System Clothes for Men are as inviting as Spring herself. We are enthusiastic over the clever fabrics, the smart styles; beyond question these are clothes of character, in every way worthy of your admiration.



New Donegals, new homespuns, new Scotches, new novelty woollens, all faultlessly tailored; every model that men are wearing.

The exhibit is most complete; suppose you choose your Spring suit today while there's so much to show you.

\$20 to \$35

New Balmacaans for men are here, too; some models in imported tweeds and homespuns are just in by express.

We'll be pleased to show you the new Spring Shapes in Dunlap and Brewer Hats.

BEN SELLING Leading Clothier Morrison Street at Fourth

ASTORIA LEW VOIDED

COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR STREET WORK HELD UP.

Circuit Judge Rules City Cannot Sell Property to Force Payment Because of Charter Violation.

ASTORIA, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Judge Campbell of the Circuit Court, granted permanent injunctions today restraining the city from selling property to collect assessments levied to defray the expense of improving Irving avenue from Eighteenth street east. This means that the assessments cannot be collected.

In granting the injunctions, the court said the improvement had not been completed and the original contract made for improvement was void, as it provided for payment of the contractor by installments of 80 per cent of the amount of work performed each month; also that other matters in connection with the preliminaries, which were enacted in 1907, were not according to the charter.

The court said that while he had held in former cases that the city was liable for damage resulting from that improvement, as the city is responsible for the acts of its agents, the city, in order to recover on assessments levied upon the property, must comply with the requirements of the charter in making a street improvement.

Bill for Payette Building Offered.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 24.—Senator Brady today introduced a bill appropriating \$100,000 for purchase of a site and erection of a public building at Payette, Idaho.

Only Four More Buying Days

MARCH 28 THE END OF THE

Graves Music Co. Removal Sale

Days of the greatest activity they will be, too. Final clearance of all remaining instruments and musical goods is given concrete expression in the drastic price mark-downs which have been made for the FINAL QUICK DISPOSAL OF THE FOLLOWING PIANOS AND PLAYER PIANOS:

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At the Price of Mere Pianos

This New \$650 Player Piano

There are thousands of families in Portland who are without pianos today, who would purchase one at once if they could experience for just one evening the pleasure of possessing a new, up-to-date Player Piano. These people love music, are musical by instinct, but have never spent the time to learn to play the mere piano. All would be glad to have their friends in for a musical evening, to sing popular songs and to enjoy the classics as well as the present favorites—which can be so artistically played on the Player Pianos we are showing.

There are fathers and mothers who would take great delight in playing for their children, as having the children play for them, in the perfect manner in which even youngsters can produce the best music with these Player Pianos.

The Graves Music Co. presents a broader selection (of 14 makers' Player Pianos) than is to be found elsewhere, besides

SALE PRICE \$435 SAVING TO YOU \$215 \$25 Cash—Balance \$385 \$25 Coupon—\$10 Monthly

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We are determined to move the balance of our stock of Pianos and Player Pianos direct to your homes, instead of moving them to our new store, and therefore issue and will honor this coupon, even at our greatest cut in prices.

THIS OFFER OF DOUBLE CREDIT CLOSES AT TIME OF OUR REMOVAL.

START WITH \$1.00 Make your selection now and pay \$1 down. If you do not want to pay the full amount, and then, before delivery, you pay the balance in cash of \$5 or whatever agreement you make for the first payment, and the balance at \$5 monthly, etc., until the piano is paid for in full. Out-of-Town Buyers—It is safe and satisfactory to buy one of these pianos by mail. Write us, and we will send you full description; or, if you like, ship the piano subject to your approval. We pay freight to any point in Oregon, Washington or Idaho. Buy now, and have it shipped when ready. Every piano or player piano purchased carries with it the Graves Music Co. guarantee of satisfaction, as also the usual guarantee from each manufacturer of these new musical instruments. Besides we take in exchange within one year, allowing the full amount paid, if desired.

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Present it with a \$10 Cash payment when contracting for a \$100 or \$200 Piano—balance payable \$6 or more monthly and you will be given a receipt for \$20. If you pay \$15 Cash on a \$200 or \$300 Piano your receipt will be for \$30. If you pay \$25 Cash on a \$300 or \$400 Piano your receipt will be for \$50. If you pay \$50 Cash on a \$400 or more Player Piano, receipt will be for \$100.

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