MAN SLAYS BLIND

Mrs. May Harris, Sightless for 16 Years, Killed as She Lies in Bed.

MURDERER LEAVES NOTE

Ax and Razor Are Death Tools Used Street North - Woman Threatened Often

FATALITIES OF TUESDAY. A. J. Linden, 25, 119 East Flanders collision of a motorcycle and an auto truck at East Seventh and Bel-

Isaac M. Moore, 76, blind and partly deaf, committed suicide in his home at 1075 East Twenty-ninth

street, North, by shooting.
May Irwin Cooper Harris, 48 years old, of 21 Ninth street, North, was murdered by her husband following a quarrel early yesterday, North; committed suicide following the murder of his wife.

Body of Fred Miller, about 35 years old, was found off Ross Island.

Oscar Harris, 38 years old, a black smith, crushed the skull of his wife, Mrs. May McIrwin Cooper Harris, 48 years old, with a small ax and cut her throat with a razor. Harris then used the razor fatally on himself.

The murder and suicide were com-

Mrs. Harris came running into her room with tears in her eyes and exclaimed: "Laura, he'll murder me, I know he will. Oh, what shall I do?"

Tragedy Is Discovered. The Harrises retired early Monday night and no noise was heard from their rooms, which are situated on the ground floor at the rear of the building. Mrs. Maxfield first suspected a tragedy about noon, because of the non-appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Harris. She looked into the side window, the doors having been locked, and saw Mrs. Harris' body lying on the bed, with the bed clothing wrapped tightly around her. Mrs. Maxfield summoned the police.

Harris was lying on the floor, his head under the dresser. From the condition of the furniture and instruments of death detectives theorize that Harris struck his wife twice on the head with the ax. Her skull was fractured and blood and hair were found on the ax.

Note to Mother Left. It is supposed that Harris then re-turned to the kitchen, placed the ax on the table and wrote the following ter to his mother: rs. S. J. Harris, 1500 East Sixth Street, Topeka, Kan.;

"Mother, I could stand it no longer, Oscar, My, my, Oscar," Then followed

RESTRAINING ORDER.

County Court Demands Hearing Upon Constitutionality of Law Before Issues Are Submitted.

ST. HELENS, Or., Sept. 15 .- (Special) -- Coming on the heels of the order of the County Clerk setting the County for September 22 is a restrain-ing order from Circuit Judge Alken stopping proceedings until after a hear-ing is held.

The County Court and a taxpayer as plaintiffs are named in the petition. The Clerk and the Sheriff are cited to show cause why the election should not be canceled. The constitutionality of the recall law is questioned and the complaint further alleges that the Clerk cannot include in a recall the office of the District Attorney, as the bill cre-sted him a state officer until the elec-tion of 1916.

On an economy platform and promising harmony and co-operation with the State Highway Commission in its plans for the construction of the Columbia River Highway, the following have been put into the field for county offices: County Judge, A. L. Clark, Rainier; Commissioners, A. E. Harvey, Clatskanie and C. F. Keelan, Deer Island; County Attorney, G. R. Metsker, of St. Heiens.

War Incidents Beyond Roar

Mine-Layer Forced to Occupy Dan-ger Point During Search—Tulip Bulbs Substitute for Flour—Ven-erable Ikon Accompa-tes Czar's

of the Associated Press.) -A story is going the rounds here that when one of the British mine-hunting boats one of the British mine-hunting boats captured a mine-laying trawler manned by Germans in the North Sea the British Captain lined up his captives and picked out the weakest looking of the

suid:
"I want you to tell me where those mines are that you laid."
"I'll die first," said the sailor, straightening up.
"Very well, then," replied the Captain, "you are going to die first, any way, if any of us do. You have helped lay these mines. You know precisely where they are. We are going to hunt for them and your position is going to be right in the bow of the ship, so that if we hit one of them you surely will if we hit one of them you surely will be the first man to die."

He ordered the prisoner directly in the bow and then steamed ahead over the waters known to be mined. The end of the story is that this vessel picked up nearly 200 mines while the captured prisoner was kept in his posi-tion of danger.

)NDON, Sept. 15 .- On account of the L scarcity of wheat in Holland the sociation of Dutch bakers has sand tioned the usea of a so-called "tuli oread," in which one-third of the flour used is made from ground tulip bulbs. The bread is said to be nourishing and



Mrs. May Harris, Murdered by

mitted probably early yesterday at the recommended its use in the army.

From ing-house of the Harrises at 21

Ninth street North, while Mrs. Harris.

Rotterdam says that the German Min-Ninth street North, while Mrs. Harris, who had been totally blind for 16 years, was in bed. The bodies were found at 1 P. M. yesterday. The double tragedy probably took place some time in the night. None of the lodgers or the housekeeper, Mrs. Laura Maxfield, heard any outcry.

Harris had threatened his wife several times, it is said, and he choked her so severely Lavor day that it required the combined efforts of Harris and Mrs. Maxfield to revive her. On

Petrograd says:

"One of the most venerable ikons in are operated. Now all of the officers have been superseded by Constitution-virgin to the Russian saint. Sergius

The question uppermost in the minds Tragedy is Discovered.

Rodonejsky, at the time of the overtight and no noise was heard from rived from Moscow at the headquarneir rooms, which are situated on the ters of the Grand Duke Nicholas Nich-

CANADA WOULD SEND RESCUE SHIP FOR KARLUK MEN.

Government Awalts Word From Captain Bartlett Before Attempting to Find Explorers.

OTTAWA, Sept. 15.—The Navy Department of the Canadian government is waiting for more definite word from Captain Bartlett of the ill-fated Captain Bartlett of the ill-fated B. Dimick, president of the association. Oscar. My, my, Oscar. Then followed Captain Bartlett of the ill-fated crosses, which are taken to mean Stefansson exploration ship Karluk be-

Captain Bartlett of the ill-fated crosses, which are taken to mean kisses.

Harris then returned to the bedroom, the detectives deduct, and, seeing that his wife still breathed, took a razor from the bureau and slashed her throat harris then cut his right wrist and lay down beside his dead wife. That Harris rose and went to the dresser and slashed his own throat before the mirror also is indicated, as the mirror and walls are splattered with blood.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris were married two years ago. Mrs. Maxfield says Harris frequently came home intoxicated and threatened to kill his wife. Mrs. Harris had been married three times before her union with Harris Jack McIrwin, a son of Mrs. Harris, Jack McIrwin, a son of Mrs. Harris, resides across the street from the scene of the murder and suicide.

Saltem man day, in the opinion of Judge Grant B. Dimick, president of the association.

The department of the Stefansson exploration ship kartick be-fore day relief expedition into the Arctic to look for the steppedition into the Arctic to look for the Stepans-son party. Captain Bartlett is aboard the United States revenue cutter Bear, which arrived at Nome with 11 survivors Monday.

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The department will ask Captain Bartlett whether he believes there is a chance that the missing men are alive.

Saltem, Or. Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Holding that the charter amendment redistricting the city is invalid, the Supreme Court today declined to compel to the men. The steamer Corwin, which was equipped and sent a special election. A writ of mandamus was asked by Peter Fleck, a resident was asked by Peter Fleck, a resident was asked by Peter Fleck, a resident was asked by Pe

BEAR LIKELY NOT TO LEAVE

Revenue Cutter Too Useful to Take Survivors to Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 15.—Revenue cutter men here believe the United States Government will not accede to Captain Robert A. Bartlett's request that the seven white men of the Karluk's crew brought to Nome by the Bear be conveyed to Seattle on the Bear, which could give them better care than passenger steamers could. It is pointed out that the Bear is needed urgently in the Bering Sea during the next six weeks. The season ing the next six weeks. The season of navigation in the Arctic is now nearly ended. There are three whalers, besides the steamer Corwin, which are yet to arrive at Nome. It would be risking life to send an expedition now to seek the Karluk's missing men. A vessel entering the Arctic would be frozen in the ice almost at once.

ASHLAND NORMAL WANTED

Cottage Grove Commercial Club Indorses Return of School.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 16.—The following resolution was adopted by the Cottage Grove Commercial Club

Mrs. Mary Boeckmann Dies.

of Guns Add Interest.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary Boeckmann, who has lived in the Stafford district for the past 30 years, died at her home at 3 o'clock yesterday morning after an illness of seven years. The funeral was held this afternoon. She is survived by three children—Mrs. Claus Peters, Ernest Boeckmann and Miss Minnie Boeckmann, all of Stafford. She was a native of Germany and 80 years old.

License to Wed Secured.

Constitutionalists Take Over Property Covering Securities of \$300,000,000.

OWNERSHIP IS ASSERTED

Property Herctofore Has Been Operated by New York Man and Board of Directors-Foreign Holdings' Status in Doubt.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Consul John R. Silliman reported from Mexico City today that the Constitutionalists have taken possession of the National Railways of Mexico and renamed them the Constitutionalist Railways of Mexico

rays of Mexico.

Mr. Silliman reported that General Carranza's government had taken pos-session of the lines on the ground the Mexican government owns a majority of the stock. The authorized capital is \$220,000,000 gold, of which practically all the common stock is held by the Mexican government. The system has a total mileage of more than 5000, most all standard gauge, virtually covering Mexico.

Securities Total Nearly \$300,000,000. There are various issues of bonds of he principal company and the constitnt companies the system absorbed in 199. The total of stocks and bonds is

nearly \$300,000,000. This action has raised a disturbing question in the minds of officials here. No action will be considered, however, until the interested American bankers and bondholders have been heard from General Carranza's explanation is that his action is warranted because the Mexican government owns a majority of the stock and that a large part of the minority is owned by Mexicans. Inquiry has been directed to New York to ascertain just the amount of the American and other foreign interests in the rallways. terests in the railways.

Officers Are Superseded. The understanding here is that while housekeeper, Mrs. Laura Maxfield, heard any outcry.

Harris had threatened his wifa several times, it is said, and he choked her so severely Lanor day that it required the combined efforts of Harris and Mrs. Maxfield to revive her. On another occasion, Mrs. Maxfield says, and her occasion, Mrs. Maxfield says, Reuter's Telegram Company from Mrs. Harris came running into her room.

The understanding here is that while the Mexican government, in order to encourage the building of these rail-ways, subscribed a majority of the stock and indorsed the bonds, this ways, subscribed a merely to encourage a new enterprise. The road has been operated by a president, E. N. Brown, of New York, and a board of directors, much as other similar enterprises in the United States similar enterprises in the United States. similar enterprises in the United States

The question uppermost in the minds of observers here is whether the integrity of foreign-held bends will be guaranteed under the new regime.

CLACKAMAS FAIR OPENS sian armies since the time of Alexis. Possible Showers Cannot Drive Big

MOTHER OF H. C. WORTMAN, OF PORTLAND FIRM, PASSES,



Mrs. Eliza A. Wortman Mrs. Eliza A. Wortman, widow of the late Jacob Wortman and mother of H. C. Wortman, of the firm of Olds, Wortman & King, died yesterday at her home in McMinnville. Mrs. Wortman was 84 years old, having been born near Ironton Lawrence County

near fronton, Lawrence County, Ohio, in 1838.

When a young girl she moved with her parents to Iowa and was married to Jacob Wortman in 1850. In 1852 they crossed the plains and sattled on a reach in plains and settled on a ranch in the Willamette Valley near Ore-gon City. Later they moved to Canemah, then to Lane County and eventually to McMinnville, where Mr. Wortman was engaged in the banking business until his death in 1904.

Mrs. Wortman is survived by three sons, John Wortman, pres-ident of the First National Bank, of McMinnville; Dr. J. L. Wort-man, of Brownsville, Tex., and H. C. Wortman, of Olds, Wort-man & King, Portland.

The funeral services will be held today at 2 o'clock at the family home in McMinnville. Interment will be made in the Masonic Cemetery there.

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of the city. The amendment divided the city into five wards and provided that every ward be entitled to two Councilmen and two water commis-

At the general election eight Coun cilmen were elected in new wards and the Council refused to order an eletion to choose two Councilmen in the

tion to choose two Councilmen in the proposed ward one.

The court holds that supporters of the charter amendment proceeded in generance of the ordinance prescribing the manner of exercising the initiative prerogative, and failed to have the measure published according to legal requirements.

BER OF DAIRY CATTLE.

Milk Test and Competition for Best Cheese Among Events That Are Attracting Attention.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Sept. 15 .- (Spe ial.)—The Tillamook County Fair opened today with an unusually large number of exhibits. They include a large number of exhibits. They include a large number of dairy cattle.

The fair is under the management of a board, of which J. H. Dunstan is president, William G. Tait secretary, and L. M. Krauer a member. The following are the superintendents in the officials of the association spent the day on the fairgrounds completing the final arrangements and accepting many exhibits.

From the interest taken in every part of the county and the enthusiasm of exhibitors, the officials of the association have decided that, even though it rains tomorrow, the opening day crowd will exceed that of any previous year. The fact that the German programme for Thursday has been canceled will not lessen the usual big crowd on German year and the prizes.

About 125 entered for the better pened today with an unusually large

he prizes.
About 135 entered for the better bables' contest, and nearly 100 the examination, but the result not be made known until Friday, when the prizes will be awarded.

WASHINGTON DEMOCRATS SEEK-ING TOGA MAY APPEAL.

George Turner and W. W. Black Each Claim Victory, and Even Official Count May Not Settle It.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 15 .- (Spe-SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 15.—(Special)—With both sides claiming victory it is conceded that the official count and probably court proceedings may have to determine who won the Democratic nomination for United States Senator.

Chief Deputy County Auditor Barrall, of King County, today announced that he hoped to have this county's official count completed this week.

ficial count completed this week. Latest returns from the canvass in several counties and the unofficial estimates already made give a small lead to George Turner over W. W. Black for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator. The Turner forces claim the nomination by a plu-rality of more than 306. At the Black headquarters at Ev-

erett the assertion is made that Judge Black is leading by 85 votes. Irregularities in the Snohomish County vote officially canvassed today at Everett are cutting down Black's lead there.

DAMAGES ARE AFFIRMED Supreme Court Upholds \$7500 Verdict for Messenger's Death.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 15 .- (Special.)-In

an opinion by Justice Ramsey, the Su-preme Court today affirmed the verdict preme Court today affirmed the verdict for \$7500 damages of the Multnomah Country Circuit Court in the case of M. C. Beaver, administrator of the estate of Don Beaver, a messenger boy killed in an elevator accident, against Mason, Ehrman & Co. The boy was operating the elevator at the time of the accident, which the defendant charged he had no right to do. Justice Burnett gave a dissenting opinion.

If it was not intended that he should operate the elevator the court held that it was the duty of the agents of the company to prevent him from doing so. Other opinions today were as follows:

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PAIN, NEURALGIA

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J. C. Clearwater, appellant, vs. Clarence
Forrest; appealed from Marion County; suit
regarding horse; faffirmed.

D. R. McCann, executor of the estate of
Margaret Burns, vs. H. C. Burns, et al, appellants; appealed from Multnomah County;
motion to strike out amended bill of exceptions allowed.

W. A. Booth, appellant, vs. City of Prineville; appealed from Crook County; involving title to real property; affirmed.

John E. Wicks, appellant, vs. Frank H.
Sanborn; appealed from Claisop County; action for money; reversed.

David G. Smith. appellant, vs. William
McDuffee, et al.; appealed from Grant
County; petition for rehearing; denied,
City of Fortland vs. Arthur F. Milier, et

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