

IDENTITIES CLEARED IN TRUNK MURDER

John Linn, Victim, and George Bartholomew Are Known in San Francisco.

CASE TAKES NEW ANGLE

Photograph of Supposed Slayer Proves to Be That of Friend of Dead Man—Relatives and Bank Account Located.

Thousands of circulars, sent broadcast by the Portland police in the hope of apprehending George Bartholomew, indicted for the murder of John Linn in this city, bore the portrait of a man who was the friend of the victim, and not that of the man sought.

This was proved definitely by investigations of the San Francisco police, the result of which reached Portland yesterday in a letter to Chief of Police Clark. Anderson was a friend of Linn and the two had their photographs made on a post card at a gallery at the corner of Broadway and Market streets, San Francisco, several months ago.

The picture identified by Mrs. Anna De Corsey, landlady at 177 Stark street, where the murder was committed on November 19, as the companion of the murdered man and later by others who had seen the man together as Bartholomew, is a man 19 years younger, somewhat slighter, but in other respects resembling to a marked degree the wanted man. The picture of the man who had known Bartholomew and who were shown the original picture of the circular expressed the slightest doubt that the portrait was of the companion of Linn.

Only One Man Uncertain.

A man named Shortridge in Albany, who had employed Bartholomew in Aberdeen, S. Dak., was shown the picture by Detective Joe Day, and was the only one who was uncertain in the identification.

"It looks like him, but it must have been taken a long while ago," he commented.

The identification of the man as given by the Portland police descriptions tally exactly with that given by Anderson of Bartholomew, whom he met at the apartments of his friend, Linn. Consequently, three letters were dispatched by Chief Clark yesterday to San Francisco, Minneapolis and Aberdeen, S. Dak., police authorities admitting the photograph of the man as the wrong man, and asking that all efforts possible be made to secure an authentic photograph of Bartholomew.

Identifies Are Proved.

The San Francisco investigations of the Bartholomew-Linn trunk murder mystery have revealed more conclusive proof of the dead man's identity and of the habits of Bartholomew, supposed murderer, than anything revealed heretofore and furnish excellent material for those engaged in the case.

Handwriting and addresses in the possession of Anderson prove that the murdered man was John Linn, of Boston and Chicago, and a native of Sweden, who has a brother and sister in Chicago.

The new information shows that Linn met Bartholomew in San Francisco, in Union Square. A friendship formed on the basis of Bartholomew's pretensions of being a man well versed in the habits of the underworld, and of a very religious nature. Linn wished to purchase a chicken ranch in the Northwest, and was almost a fanatic in matters pertaining to religion.

Anderson knew that police were searching for Bartholomew for the murder of Linn, and that his own picture was being heralded as that of the murderer since November 21. He made no effort to give the authorities the information in his possession until he was traced by detectives.

"I thought it was a good joke and wanted to see if the detectives would find me," Anderson said when interviewed.

Linn is supposed to have left San Francisco with little more than \$250 in his pocket, although he had deposits in the National Bank of that city, totaling about \$6000. The supposed murderer knew that Linn had money, and may have thought Linn took a larger sum with him or secured that he could in some manner gain access to the bank deposits.

TOTS TRAIN FOR SHOW

PARTS ARE ASSIGNED FOR NEWSBOYS' BENEFIT FUND.

Ascension Sunday School Pupils Prepare for Saturday Night's Entertainment at School.

Merry little lads and lassies of the Ascension Sunday school will give a wonderful Christmas programme and pretty dances in uniform will act as ushers on Saturday night in Astorway school on Portland Heights. An elaborate holiday entertainment will be given for the benefit of the fund for the establishment of a newsboys' cot in Good Samaritan hospital.

Mrs. Charlotte Banfield is drilling the children in the parts they will have in the play. "On Christmas Eve" Elizabeth Kerr will play the role of "The Little Girl." Frances Matthews will be Wendy; James Davidson will be old Robinson Crusoe.

That delightful character, Alice in Wonderland, will be seen in the person of Hattie Keating. Dorothy Statter will be Alice; and Josephine Statter will be the Grue. George Hoyt will be the interesting "Traveler From Bagdad." Robert Holman has the part of the "Boy From the Bank of the North Wind" and Marion Catlin will be the "Hush-a-Bye Lady." Elizabeth Halley will be the "little girl" mother, and dear, jolly old Santa Claus will be played by Harry Stevens keeps his promise.

As additional attractions there will be music by the Astorway School orchestra; violin solos by Lawrence Holman, who is only 8, but is said to play remarkably well, and a dance by Dorothy Mitchell. Max Lewis, president of the Newsboys' Club, will speak and Mayor Allen will give greetings.

Bazaar to be tomorrow

Sellwood Women Seek Funds to Re-open Y. M. C. A.

With the hope of reopening the Sellwood Y. M. C. A., the Ladies' Auxiliary

will give a bazaar and festival tomorrow afternoon and evening in the association building, Spokane avenue and East Fifteenth street, to raise funds. According to the programme, the sale of Christmas articles at the building will start at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon. There will be a Christmas tree in the main hall on which there will be numerous articles ranging in cost from 5 cents to 25 cents. At 5 P. M. a cafeteria dinner will be served until 8 P. M., when a programme of music and readings will be rendered. Business men in Sellwood can go direct to the hall for their dinner at 5 o'clock.

PERU MAN JOINS CHAMBER

Manufacturer Purchases Thousands of Dollars of Wheat Here.

Juan V. Peral, of Juan V. Peral & Co., Lima, Peru, extensive flour mill manufacturer of the West Coast, was the first person from a distant territory to become a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. While in Portland recently he became a member and affiliated with the trade and commerce bureau, which is indicative of the fact that he regards this community as having important trade prospects in its relationship with the West Coast of South America.

Mr. Peral bought wheat and other commodities here that were worth from \$250,000 to \$350,000. He expects to

make a return trip to this city some time in the early part of next year.

BANKS HAS \$13,000 FIRE

Flames Threaten Entire Town and Bucket Brigades Are Busy.

BANKS, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Fire threatened the entire town of Banks today when it attacked the business block occupied by the Banks Hardware and Furniture Company, the Washington County Bank and Friday's Bank. The first and last mentioned place were destroyed completely at a loss of \$13,000, and the bank was saved with a loss of \$100, due to wrecking after heroic efforts.

The large general store of W. S. Alice and the big warehouse of the Banks Hardware and Furniture Company, while the pump and hose of the local fire department were brought into service to save the bank.

Above \$1000 worth of implements were stored in the warehouse, as well as a quantity of dynamite, which was removed.

CAFETERIA IN NEW HANDS

Ex-Manager of Portland Hotel Is to Open "Village Inn" Today.

G. J. Kaufmann, who up to a year ago was manager of the Portland Hotel, has purchased the business of the Village Inn Cafeteria. Mr. Kaufmann announces the formal opening for today, although the cafeteria has been running steadily while improvements have been made.

Mr. Kaufmann intends to maintain a personal supervision. He has had the cafeteria refitted and redecorated during the past two weeks.

A feature of the service will be varied instrumental and vocal music. Miss Leah Cohen, a Portland singer, has been engaged to sing for the opening day and for a period following.

The cafeteria is under the new concrete bank building formerly occupied by the Merchants National Bank.

THEFT OF \$176 IS CHARGED

Alleged Defiant Returns to See Woman and Is Arrested.

Accused of the theft of \$176 obtained in collections for the implement department of the Parlin & Orendoff firm, 330 Belmont street, E. J. Storrs was arrested yesterday by Mrs. Della Aljva, house detective at the Meier & Frank store, on a charge of shoplifting. The women were turned over to city detectives, who say they obtained from them a confession.

The women are said to be sisters. They were well dressed and displayed a keen and noticeable interest in dainty and valuable articles evidently intended for use as Christmas gifts. It is alleged that they took a gold knife, silver picture frames, dollies, silks and

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PUBLIC EFFICIENCY BUREAU INDORSED

Chamber of Commerce Board Favors Petition for 50-Cent Duty on Shingles.

TARIFF HELD IMPORTANT

Plan Supported to Put North Bank of Columbia in Portland Customs District—Appointment of Delegates Ratified.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce yesterday ratified the appointment of eight delegates, already named, to the National Chambers of Commerce convention, Washington, D. C., February 8, 9 and 10.

Approved for the most part the two referendum propositions of the National Chambers of Commerce dealing with the European war and the peace plan. These are some of the things that were done by the board of directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce last night.

One of the most important actions of the Chamber board was going on record as favoring the establishment of a public efficiency and accounting bureau to be supported by the taxpayers. It is also to be independent of the municipal, county or state governments, yet as a taxpayers' bureau to have the right and privilege of going into the public offices and applying economic to the collection and distribution of the public funds.

Since the Underwood tariff bill of 1913 went into effect, shingles have been coming into this country and this market free of duty as against 50 cents duty heretofore. The chamber endorsed the petition to Congress from Oregon and the Northwest to put the tariff back.

The support of the chamber was pledged to the plan to place the north bank of the Columbia River in the Portland customs district. The Portland delegation to the Washington, D. C., convention of the Chambers of Commerce of the United States, February 8, 9 and 10, who were ratified last night, will urge in person the change.

Favorable action was taken on different sections of each of the two referendums of the United States Chambers of Commerce, with certain modifications. The report of the managing committee of the recent Portland Manufacturers and Land Products Show shows that \$2,958 persons attended that exhibition. Recommendation is made that the show be held next year.

ACTRESSES ARE ACCUSED

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BRITON PREDICTS CHANGE

Advocate of Proportional Representation Is Here.

Proportional representation is bound to become the prevailing system in democratic countries, according to John H. Humphreys, secretary of the Proportional Representation Society of England, who is in Portland and a guest of W. S. U'Ren.

Mr. Humphreys is traveling in the United States and Canada in the interest of the movement. He has written a book upon the subject.

Los Angeles, Seattle and Ottawa, Canada are soon to vote upon charters carrying the new plan of representation in their councils.

DUCKS DISPORT IN STREET

Photographs Used to Show Condition of Ainsworth Avenue.

Photographs of a flock of ducks diving for worms and otherwise enjoying themselves in pools in Ainsworth avenue near East 12th street, in the mud adopted by George S. Shepherd to show city officials the condition of the street. The pictures and a letter

received by City Auditor Barbour yesterday.

The street will be paved some day, Mr. Shepherd says, and the officials plan to make a center parking strip. He wants to pave it full width and recommends that the center parking strip be hollowed out to furnish a place for the ducks when they have to leave their present ponds.

JITNEYS HIT TACK "MINE"

Light Cruisers Are Crippled by Tire Explosion on Third Street.

Edward Popple, driver of a Third street jitney bus, complained to the police yesterday that someone had been scattering large carpet tacks on Third street for several blocks in South Portland.

Other jitney drivers substantiated the complaint. A meeting of all the drivers on that line was held and an effort will be made to catch the culprit. The drivers plan to offer a reward.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Marriage Licenses.

STANLEY-TILLOTSON—J. B. Stanley, legal, Rochester, Wash., and Della E. Tillett, legal, 495 Pine street.

ANDERSON-TONER—Rev. Knut Anderson, legal, LaCrosse, Wash., and Algot Toner, legal, 149 East Port-street.

MICHAEL-HAUSER—Harry T. Mitchell, legal, 206 Thirtieth street, and Anna Hauser, legal, 328 Summer street.

SWANSON-MOON—George Swanson, legal, 1000 1/2 Broadway, and Edna C. Moon, legal, 2204 1/2 10th street.

ARMSTRONG-HIRTZEL—Charles W. Armstrong, legal, 321 Fifty-fifth street, and Maude Hirtzel, legal, 309 East Ankeny street.

ROBERTSON-GALLAGHER—Grant A. Robertson, legal, 288 Kelly street, and Albertus L. Gallagher, legal, 115 Hancock avenue.