

PATCHED SHIRT GLEW LEADS TO THOMPSON

Damaging Evidence Said to Have Been Given Against Murderer Suspect.

CONCEALED WEAPON FOUND

Grand Jury Thought to Have Been Informed That Article of Clothing Was Given Bennett's Sister. Suggestive Case Built.

Bennett Thompson, held in Hillsboro for the double murder of Mrs. Helen Jennings and Fred Ristman near Tualatin May 15, wore, previous to the crime, the white shirt found blood-stained and grease-marked near Mrs. Jennings' home after the homicide, according to reported evidence offered the Washington County grand jury last week.

It is generally conceded that this shirt was worn by the murderer. The torn cuff from this shirt, found in the roadway near the stained panama of the unfortunate witness and blood-clotted automobile robe, links it indisputably, it is believed, with the crime. The instrument which caused the death of Ristman has been found. Though the discovery, or a description of the tool, has not been made public, its finding is no longer denied. Rumor has it that the weapon was found in a home to which Thompson had access.

But the shirt is the most important clue upon which the authorities of Washington and Multnomah counties have been working. From the beginning they have believed that a wearer was the guilty man, and they devoted all efforts to discovering who was its owner. This was not an easy task, as the shirt was a nondescript sort, well worn, with a black stripe in the material resembling hundreds of other shirts.

Patch on Shirt Clew. There was no laundry mark, but there was one distinguishing feature. There was a patch extending from where a collar would have rubbed over two inches toward the left shoulder. The woman who sewed that shirt undoubtedly would recognize it, reasoned the authorities, and they set out to find that woman.

Rumor—well-founded rumor, too—has it that they found her. She described the shirt before the grand jury, it is said. She told the kind of stripe it had, told the shape of the patch, and said that the patch was made from the same material as the rest of the shirt, being cut from the shirt tail. The tail of the blood-stained robe was found to have a hole in it the shape of the patch on the shoulder.

Then, to trace it to the suspect. The shirt had been sewed to the woman's husband, who wore the hole in the material. It had been argued that Thompson could not have worn the shirt, for the patch was over a place rubbed by a collar, and Thompson never wore a collar.

Shirt Passed Along Twice. The woman gave the shirt to a friend, it is said, who in turn gave it to Mrs. James Thompson, sister-in-law of Bennett Thompson, with whom he had been living in the Multnomah district. Two shirts were reported given, one of which was later found near the crime scene.

Now, then, suppose this is not asserting positively that it happened, but it might have—suppose Mrs. Thompson was brought before the Washington County grand jury to identify the shirts given her. Suppose she identified two found at her house as the ones. Then, picture her in the hands of the men who were engaged to Mrs. Jennings and whose shirt and a suit of clothes were stolen from the Jennings home the night of the murder.

Of course, all this may not have happened, but rumor says it did, and even a grand jury session must reckon with a few leaks. It is interesting more than a score of persons, some decidedly unwilling and hostile and others greatly interested witnesses.

Weapon Is Found. As for the instrument, this much is known: It was found several hundred feet beyond the body of Ristman, about 25 feet from the roadway, where it had been carefully hidden under a log—not carelessly thrown aside. A lone man had been seen clambering into a car at this point at 9:30 on the night of the crime, by two persons. He is supposed to have been the murderer. This fixes the time of the murder of Ristman, and would indicate that Mrs. Jennings was killed about 11 o'clock.

Late evidence would indicate that the murderer did not go to the Jennings home by way of Sherwood, as first thought. He is now supposed to have doubled back on his tracks shortly beyond where he hid the instrument, and to have gone near Tualatin on his way to the ranch. He did not stop at the ranch as he reached it, but turned on up the road, it is thought, with the aim of hiding the bloody robe and stained hat in the underbrush, which is heavy there. Then he is supposed to have retraced his route and driven into the yard and behind the home of Mrs. Jennings.

COLUMBIA RISES RAPIDLY

Gauge at Kenenwick Shows 18 Feet Above Low Water Mark.

KENNEWICK, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—The Columbia River is rising rapidly, for several days coming up at the rate of about a foot a day, the water gauge registers 18 feet above low water, about five feet below the high water mark of last year.

In several places the river has overflowed the banks and is flooding fields. A rise of two feet more will completely submerge the docks here. A decided change in the weather has brought great relief to the wheat-growers here.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

Misoula Rider Reaches Kennewick. PASCO, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—Miss Iona Trainer, 22 years old, who is riding horseback from Misoula, Mont., to San Francisco, Cal., in the interests of the Misoula Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of advertising the Pioneer Days celebration to be held in that city next September, visited Pasco and Kennewick Saturday, and remained over Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Donnelly. Miss Trainer is riding a Montana bronco.

Roseburg Merchant Honored. ROSEBURG, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—R. L. Stephens, Roseburg merchant, today was elected a member of the Roseburg School Board by almost the unanimous vote of the district. He received a total of 161 votes.

Moving Picture News



Scene From 'The Spell of the Yukon,' at Pickford Theater.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. T & D—"La Boheme." Pickford—"The Spell of the Yukon." Peoples—"Silks and Satins." Columbia—"Reggie Mixes In." Majestic—"East Lynne." Sunset—"In the Web of the Graters."

WHEN you sit in a motion-picture theater, witnessing the performance of your favorite stars, do you realize that you are indulging in the billion-dollar pastime? Do you know that the motion picture is the fifth largest industry in the United States, exceeded only by railroads, the clothing industry in all of its various branches, iron and steel, and oil? And that the automobile manufacturer must be content with sixth place, with oil destined to drop to fifth before another year rolls around?

Do you know that five hundred and seventy-five million dollars are invested in motion pictures, with the total profits annually to film producers fifty millions? Do you know that approximately 18,000 motion picture houses cater to the public in the United States, with 25,000,000 visiting the movies daily? Multiply this by 8 cents, the average per capita, and you have the gross income for the exhibitors each day.

The above paragraph answers the query, "Where does the money come from?" Now you ask, "Where does it go?" The chief expenditure, or the greatest drain on the producers' bank accounts, is the salary. The average Chaplin gets \$670,000 for his year's work. Mary Pickford will earn about \$1,000,000 this year. Douglas Fairbanks is a \$1,000,000 film star, while the players who get from \$150 to \$300 weekly are too numerous to mention.

The Arts division of Triangle has 15 people—Dorothy Gish, Seena Owen, Norma Talmadge, Robert Harron, Whiffed Lucas, Douglas Fairbanks, Hattie Leslie, Constance Talmadge, Constance Collier, Lillian Gish, Fay Tincher, De Wolf Hopper and until recently, Sir Herbert Beerstolm. Gish and Owen Moore—whose combined salaries total \$1,000,000 a year.

During the year ending in March, the picture industry employed approximately 450,000 persons, with an increase of 35 per cent over the previous year.

In Los Angeles alone 1000 miles of negative film, made into 40,000 miles of positive, are developed each year. This comprises about 80 per cent of all the films produced in the world, according to figures of Gerald Duffy in Picture Play Magazine.

As to money invested, here are a few figures from Southern California. From the represented an investment of \$10,000,000, exclusive of 15,000 acres of ground owned by the New York Motion Picture Company. The same company has \$100,000,000 invested in Hollywood, Cal. The Fine Arts studio is valued at \$150,000. Lasky spent half a million on his Hollywood studio, and the Vitaphone studio in the San Fernando Valley, Hollywood's investment in the heart of Los Angeles is \$250,000, while Clune recently spent a like amount at Hollywood. The Vitaphone East Hollywood studio represents \$150,000. Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company has a studio investment of \$400,000.

And it was just about ten years ago that the first picture play was exhibited.

Alice Brady at T & D. "La Boheme," the picture William A. Brady characterizes as "the film irresistible," opens a four-day run at the T & D Theater today, with Alice Brady, star of so many splendid World features, in the leading role.

This production, a picturization of Henri Murger's "Le Vie de Boheme" presents the winsome Miss Brady as Mimi, the founding, who is torn between love for her sweetheart and her desire that his future be not jeopardized. Paul Capellani, June Elvidge and Zena Keefe are members of the supporting cast, while the photodrama itself was directed by Albert Capellani. A George Ade Fable, Pathe Scenic, and another comedy will complete the bill.

Screen Gospel. Charles Pathe, chevalier of the Legion of Honor, head of the great motion picture house bearing his name and one of the largest manufacturers in France, was the pioneer in the film business. He was the first man to stage a play before the camera, the first mechanically to color films and the first to transfer news events to the screen. The motion picture industry owes him a debt which cannot be overestimated.

In preparation for Metro's elaborate screen production of "Romeo and Juliet," in which she will be starred, the famous "X" Factor, Beverly Bayne has devoted four trying weeks with a costume, having eight costly gowns made, which she will wear in the screen version of Shakespeare's work. She also devoted many long, tedious days in the antique shops of New York, searching for jewels and trinkets to wear.

FINAL PLANS FOR JUBILEE PARADE

Portland to Observe Fourth of July With Features of Unusual Nature.

\$3500 TO BE RAISED

Big Civic, Military and Fraternal Parade, Patriotic Exercises, Athletic Contests and Sham Naval Battle Planned.

With an elaborate programme all mapped out and details nearing completion, the Fourth of July celebration committee will start today a widespread campaign to collect the required funds for the celebration. So far contributions total \$251, with no solicitation started. The committee expects to raise at least \$3500.

At a meeting yesterday of the general committee at the Portland Press Club final plans for the programme were arranged and give every prospect of a big old-fashioned celebration such as Portland has not seen for many years. The programme will start at 8 o'clock A. M. and will last until 11 o'clock at night.

Parade Feature Yet Unsettled. The only uncertain part of the affair now is the parade. Plans have been crippled somewhat by the calling out of the Oregon National Guard. Whether this organization can be counted on for the parade is a question which has not been determined. If the Guard is still at Clackamas camp on the Fourth of July it is expected it will be available. A committee was appointed yesterday to look into this feature.

The parade will be held at 10 o'clock in the morning with military, fraternal, civic and industrial features. A long list of organizations have agreed to participate. This will be followed by a big patriotic session at Multnomah Field, at which there will be music and addresses. A feature will be music by the singing societies of the city. After this the National Guard, if available, will stage a military tournament with all sorts of thrilling military maneuvers and tactics.

Fire Tournament to Be Held. In the afternoon the fire bureau has arranged for a fire tournament in the building district. This will include various races and exhibitions with modern fire apparatus as well as the old hand-drawn machines. Also a long sporting programme will be carried out with all kinds of races and contests, mostly of an old-fashioned nature.

Programme for the evening will include about five of the parks of the city with band concerts, athletics and general programmes of a fitting nature. Arrangements for the Jersey City Chamber of Commerce. The honor was paid her as the most prominent Jersey City girl now in pictures.

Clara Kimball Young, who was recently presented with a pair of marvellously plumaged Chinese song swallows, landed in the company of the found an appropriate cage to house her beautiful pets in. She found an antique cage of the Waring family (about 1600 A. D.) at the Almona Galleries and paid \$250 for it. Her two swallows had refused to sing until they were in the cage. They were then of their antique home. Now they sing ecstatically—but, unfortunately for the bird, the cage is not a singing cage.

One of the big affairs of the day will be a sham naval engagement in the lower harbor at night, starting about 9 o'clock. A large replica of a battle cruiser will be built and floated up the river to attack the cruiser Boston. An engagement will follow with the firing of the ship's guns and rattle of musketry from members of the Oregon Naval Militia who will man both ships. A war balloon will float over the scene and drop bombs.

As a climax to the battle, the imperial cruiser will be set afire and the two fireboats will rush to the scene and extinguish the blaze. Searchlights will play on the streams of water and the fire will be followed by several searchlights, but wants more. It is possible also that the Oaks Park fireworks will be arranged to repeat the scene. Plans for this are now under consideration.

DIRECTED VERDICT GIVEN

Judge McGinn Finds Evidence in Grain-Bag Case Insufficient.

Finding the case of the state against I. Davis, charged with receiving stolen property, a weak one, Circuit Judge McGinn yesterday ordered a directed verdict for the defendant, and ended it abruptly. The prosecution had presented its case and Deputy District Attorney Collier had begun to cross-examine Davis, first witness for the defense, when the court interrupted and terminated the proceedings.

Davis purchased 200 grain bags stolen from the Crown Mills by J. W. World and A. D. McQuisten. He was accused of engineering the theft by the men who admitted the actual taking of the bags, but their evidence was not corroborated. Judge McGinn instructed the jury to bring a verdict for the defendant on the grounds of insufficient evidence and lack of corroborative testimony.

CHINAMAN IS FINED \$20

Ah Dock Has Sudden Flow of English When Punishment Meted Out.

When Ah Dock, Chinese, appeared before Judge Langruth yesterday on a charge of winning a lottery game at his place of business, 246 Madras street, the bland Oriental confessed to a very imperfect knowledge of English. He had been fined \$20 for conducting the game, however, he began to explain fluently his innocence of the charge.

Officer Klingsworth, who arrested Ah Dock, brought in a large quantity of lottery tickets taken as evidence. Ah Dock admitted that he played the lottery, but denied that he conducted one.

RIDDLE FOURTH ARRANGED

Day Will Be Devoted to Sports Without Speechmaking.

RIDDLE, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—Plans are being made for a good old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration at Riddle. In the morning a parade and programme will be held. Between two valley teams will be played on the school grounds. At noon in the barbecue grounds a basket dinner will be eaten and in the afternoon there will be prizes offered for all kinds of sports. Rev. J. F. Anderson, pastor of the local Baptist Church, will direct the sports.

The Riddle Concert Band has been engaged to furnish music for the day. The idea is to do away with the usual speechmaking and give people a real social good time.

Candidacy Is Announced. PASCO, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—J. A. Winspear, for the past 13 years



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a teacher in the schools of Franklin County, has announced his candidacy on the Republican ticket for County School Superintendent to succeed George W. Zent, who has served the two terms allowed by law. This is the first announcement for any county office in Franklin County. Mr. Winspear has held many important positions in the schools of the county.

AUTOISTS IN ACCIDENT

Car Bearing Roseburg Party Struck by Passing Automobile.

ROAD MAKERS CELEBRATE

Tiller Holds Picnic Upon Completion of Crater Lake Unit.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—Speeches by local orators, band selections, a basket dinner and many other entertainment features marked the celebration at Tiller Sunday on the occasion of the completion of the first unit of the so-called Crater Lake cutoff road. There were about 200 persons present, about half of whom went from Roseburg. The remainder of the crowd represented people from Myrtle Creek, Riddle and other Southern Oregon towns.

The Crater Lake cutoff is being constructed by the Federal Government, assisted by Douglas County. It completed the road will be one of the scenic attractions of Southern Oregon and will reduce greatly the distance between Portland and Crater Lake.

GIRL, HIT BY TRAIN, UNHURT

Miss Erma Power, of Marshfield, in Accident at Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—Presence of mind saved Miss Erma Power, of Marshfield, from serious and perhaps fatal injuries when she was struck by the engine of Southern Pacific passenger train No. 17 while walking on the track near the Junction City depot Monday. When knocked

Marguerite Clark

"SILKS and SATINS"

PEOPLES Today

down her feet were over the rail, but she got them out of the way in time. A large number of persons at the depot, awaiting the arrival of the train, saw the accident.

Miss Power, who was only slightly injured, said she thought the train was upon a parallel track. She had been visiting friends at Junction City and will return home in a few days.

MISS CHERRY STARKEY PASSES.

ASHLAND, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—Miss Cherry E. Starkey, bookkeeper at the Tidings office, died suddenly this morning. She had been convalescing from an attack of congestion of the brain. She formerly lived at Denver and had been here two years. Funeral arrangements will be made upon the arrival of her brother, E. J. Starkey, of Heppner, Or.

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none of the occupants sustained serious injuries, they consider it a miracle that they were not killed.

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THE SPELL of THE YUKON

From Robert W. Service's blood-tingling poem

Go With the Crowd

Majestic THEATER

LAST DAY The Incomparable THE DABARA In a Modern Version of East Lynne The Play That Has Pleased Millions Starting Tomorrow THE ABANDONMENT