PORTLAND, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 1921

### PRICE FIVE CENTS

# WHO WAS SLAIN PARTY OF MASKED MEN TAKE OFF NATION'S BILL

Coroner's Jury Takes Up Case at Roseburg.

### MRS. BRUMFIELD TESTIFIES

Woman Shakes With Sobs, but Insists Mate Is Dead.

COURT HAS BIG CROWD

on Murdered Man Arc Like Those Sold to Russell.

tion of the headless body over which the coroner's inquest was started tobefore the close of the day's session.

"I had known Dennis Rusell for eral months ago he bought a pair of shoes at my store. The shoes Portland Man Held to Have Slain were of the Star brand.

He was shown the pair of burned shoes, found in the wreck, and asked Russell. He replied that he could Davis, 41, were found today when not identify them povitively, but the door of a room they had occupied that they were of the same brand in a downtown hotel was forced open. and the same size as those he had Death in each case was due to bullet wounds. The police said they believed

Mr. Selig produced a pair of shoes identical with those he sold Russell, were compared with the They were of about a number 7 size, testimony earlier in the day.

siderable weight with the jury.

With the court crowded to capacity and not a resident of this city. and hundreds of persons unable to gain admittance, the inquest which was hoped to form an important link

Record Set by Crowd. Never before in the history of the tracted for an inquest or even for the most sensational homicide case.

The crowd commenced to gather today after his heart was accidentally long before the hour set for the in- plerced with a knife and then quest and every inch of standing promptly sewed up. room was taken before the first witness was called.

accompanied by Mrs. C. S. Heinline, C. H. Patrick, sister of Dr. Brumfield, the heart muscles. and a trained nurse, had seats within ough she broke down frequently she gave good testimony in the case, speaking up well in spite of her neryour and shocked condition. Body Shakes With Sobs.

Frequently one stopped while her body shook with sobs which were audible over the entire court room and hundreds of other women also gave

is composed of John Throne, O. C. including Messrs. Chandler and Camp-Buker, Napoleon Rite, Barton Holliwell and Paul Bubar, all prominent business men, that there was no doubt in her mind regarding the body.

She gave a complete description of and the measurements of his clothes. She also gave an account of their early life, of their marriage and their change of residence to Roseburg, following his graduation from the dental college. In speaking of their three children, she broke down, and it was several minutes before she could resume. She told of the last time she saw her husband, and of his telephone calls.

Departure Is Reinted.

called her by telephone and again at ing to information given the police to o'clock, telling her he would be by Mrs. Randolph today. late getting home.

in town," she said, "and that he would received a note signed "kidnapers," been feeling well since the Sunday lease and giving instructions as to before," she added, saying he was how the money was to be paid. having trouble with his stomach.

On the previous Sunday, she said, his captivity. they had passed the day at the home of his nephew by marriage, Millard Meredith, an ex-service men who had EVIDENCE IS SWALLOWED taken up a homestead near that of Dennis Russell. It was at Meredith's Saloonkeeper Drinks Liquor Inhome that Dr. Brumfield first met, Russell, it was said.

a description of her husband and re-plied that he was six feet in height, keeper, drank the evidence seized by was of dark complexion and weighed state prohibition agents while the raid 182 pounds. He wore a 16 % size on Multerer's place was in progress, shirt and 8 % shoes. He had no sears according to a report to the district on his body.

His only ring, Mrs. Brumfield said, "While Agent Henning was writing was a fraternity ring. She was shown a label to be placed on a bottle of the ring found on the body and identified it as that of her husband. She (Concluded on Page 5, Column 3.)

Multerer drained the contents of the bottle, the report said.

## GUARD OVERPOWERED; \$112,512,628 GUT PRISONER IS SEIZED

Note Signed 'Klu Klux Klan' found in Pocket of Youth Discovered Unconscious and Gagged.

TENAHA, Tex., July 19 .- J. W. Mc Knight of Nacogdoches, while being taken to Center, county seat of Shely county, by a deputy sheriff, folowing his arrest here tonight on a charge of carrying concealed weap-ons, was seized by a party of masked nen, after his guard had been over iotor car.

TYLER, Tex., July 19.-George H eters, 20, was brought here to a ospital today from a point about three miles from Chandler, Tex., where he was found unconscious and gagged. A note, found in his clothng, signed "Ku Klux Klan," said e had been taken from a hotel at handler and about \$240 in mon Shoe Dealer Declares Pair Found taken from him. The note added he \$22,822,113 Is Slices Out at Exwas not the man wanted.

When last heard of the automobile was speeding through Timpson near here, with its occupants firing volley fter volley of pistol shots.

Sunday morning, McKnight, who is a plumber, was attacked by a party in the wrecked Brumfield auto will verely beaten. Some of the men, he figure prominently in the identificaannounced intention of laving the matter before authorities, McKnight the coroner's inquest was started to-day, was proved when I. Selig, Myrtle formation concerning the assailants Creek merchant, took the stand, just but was arrested on a charge of car-

many years, Mr. Selig said, and sev- COUPLE DISCOVERED DEAD

Woman and Himself.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 19 .- Bodles if they were those he had sold to Libby of Portland, Or., and Mrs. Mary week ago.

According to the police, Mrs. Davis burned shoes taken from the body. was the wife of R. B. Davis of San Diego.

Brumfield declared when giving her the telephone directory, and the police yesterday were unable to locate and the fact that the smaller size anything of the Los Angeles suicide shoes, identical with those sold Rua- Records of the police detective buwere found on the feet of the reau failed to disclose any missing burned body will doubtless have con- person of that name. The local police believe he may have been a transient

### SLASHED HEART SEWED UP Surgeons Stitch Knife Cuts and

Boy Is Recovering. NEW YORK, July 19. - Frank

Farino, 16, of Brooklyn, is recovering The boy was working yesterday in a factory when a 17-inch knife with

Mrs. Brumfield, heavily veiled and which he was cutting rope slipped. The blade entered his chest, pierced close friend of the family, Mrs. the heart covering and cut through He was hurried to a hospital, where

Mrs. Brumfield was the surgeons opened his chest wall, took first witness called to the stand and four stitches in the heart muscles and three in the covering.

### ROAD SURVEY PROCEEDING

State Engineers Announce Plan to Bridge Rogue River.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 19 .- (Speay to tears,

Mrs. Brumfield told the jury, which

which visited Gold Beach last week, including Mesers. Chandler and Campthe Roosevelt highway work.

Surveyors from the highway comthe body of her husband, told his age Roosevelt highway north from here to the Siuslaw river and on the Curry county unit between Gold Beach and the Curry county line.

### KIDNAPERS WANT \$50,000

Note Demanding Money Sent to Wife of Prisoner.

SHARON, Pa., July 19 .- Thomas D. He left early on the morning of here, was kidnaped tast night and is July 15, she said, and at noon he being held for \$50,000 cansom, accord-

Mr. Randolph did not return home "He told me he would eat a lunch last night. This morning his wife home until late. He had not demanding \$50,000 for the man's resecond note from Randolph told of

tended to Aid Prosecution.

Mrs. Brumfield was asked to give MILWAUKEE, Wis, July 19.—Al-

Saving for Current Year Estimated by Dawes.

### LETTER SENT TO PRESIDENT

owered, and whisked away in a Possible Economies Bared by Budget Machinery.

BUILDING DELAY ASKED

pense of Construction That Can Be Delayed Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19 .- An -That the shoes found on the body of masked men at Timpson and se- estimated saving of \$112,512,528 can be effected in the appropriations of approximately \$4,000,000,000 gvaitable for government expenditures during current fiscal year. President Harding was informed today by Director of the Budget Dawes.

Included in the estimate, Director Dawes said, was \$22,822,113 pertainng to continuous appropriations for building and construction which ould be postponed for expenditure in future years.

The estimate of government my possible during the present fiscal year was contained in a letter diof a man of 38, who registered as E. rected to the president by Director Dawes, who presented the amounts by which the expenditures could be reduced in the departments and inde pendent establishments.

> Economies Survey Made. Survey of possible economies was

the man shot Mrs. Davis and then begun a few weeks ago by Director himself. Examining physicians said Dawes, using the budget machinery the shootings occurred probably a after a meeting at which department heads and bureau chiefs had been di rected to reduce expenditures.

"Whatever may be the relation of total expenditure to total revenues at which was the size Russell wore, and were of the same brand. Dr. Brum- in the Portland city directory or in field's shoes were number \$15. Mrs. in the Portland city directory or in reasons, including possible new legislation, the operations of the shipping board, the railroad administrati and fluctuation in current receipts of the post office department, cannot be predicated at this time, the above unt is that much of a contribution to a more favorable relation.

> from the heads of departments and chiefs infers the existence in their

FRANCISCO, 480 TO 50.

Wide Maritime Walkout Was

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19.—San rancisco union marine engineers, eeting tonight, voted, 450 to 50, to eturn to work immediately, it was inounced by officers.

The engineers have been on strike naritime strike was called. The marine engineers at a previou meeting recently had voted to return struck him. to work on United States shipping The execu

board vessels under a national agree-

against private owners. The vote rison were marched past the body. onight was on the question of reurning to work on private-owned Ernest F. Pegg, secretary of the

report to work tomorrow morning. FREIGHT CUTS ANNOUNCED Material Reduction Made on Sev-

and said all marine engineers would

eral Important Commodities. SAN FRANCISCO, July 19,-Jam and playing cards were granted the dignity of a class freight rate and scheduled at \$1.95 and \$3.65 a hundredweight, respectively, from Atlan-tic to Pacific ports by the North Atlantic-Pacific coast westbound con-ference today. Heretofore they had gone under the commodity or mixed

shipment status. The conference announced a reduc ion from \$1.45 to \$1.30 a hundred weight for flour, taploca and tap flour, a reduction from \$2.50 to \$2.35 POSTAL TESTS ORDERED on thread, cotton and linen, and a reduction from \$1.70 to \$1.25 on leath er. Drugs and medicines were given an individual classification and rated at \$1.65 a hundredweight.

### ACCUSED WOMAN IS HELD Charge of Forging T. R. Indorsement to Be Pressed.

NEW YORK, July 19 .- Mrs. Emm. Burkett, here from Hillsdale, Ind., face a charge of forging the indorsement of the late Theodore Roosevelt on a note for \$69,900, today pleaded not guilty and was held for

She appeared in court without cour sel and the judge asigned an attor-ney to defend her.

### IDAHO ROBBERS CONTINUE Fifth Case of Bank Looting Within Few Weeks Reported.

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, July 18 .ndependent organizations and bureau | The fifth bank robbery in small vilion of government hereafter assumes stole \$3000 worth of liberty bonds. that the minimum amount of money | Leadore is a small mining town right ear. northwest of here.

## SEA ENGINEERS VOTE DOOMED MAN SMOKES TO RETURN TO JOBS BEFORE FIRING SQUAD

BALLOTING RESULT AT SAN CIGARETTE CALMLY PUFFED UNTIL BULLETS STRIKE.

> Moroccan Machine Gunner With French on Rhine Executed for Murdering German.

MAYENCE, July 19 .- (By the Associated Press.)-Mohammed Ben Ah med, a Moroccan machine gunner of the French forces on the Rhine, who martial of killing and robbing a Ger-man merchant, was executed by a firing squad here today. He calmly smoked a cigarette until the bullets

The execution was carried out it the presence of many witnesses, and ment, but voted to continue the strike all the Moroccan members of the gar-

### FRANK VIEWS EXPECTED PLANE BLAMED FOR FIRE

ocal union, made the announcement Residence of D. M. Lowe at Med-

ford Burned to Ground. MEDFORD, Ot., July 19 .- Ignited. cording to the owner, by a spark from a descending forest patrol air plane, the residence of D. M. Lowe well-known agricultural expert, was burned to the ground yesterday at a

The Lowe residence was at the edge of Barber field, the airplanes passing Harding's move for a disarmament it every day when alighting. The conference is assuming far greater had been having trouble with Hole-exhaust of the plane, according to magnitude in world affairs than first man and had known him for several exhaust of the plane, according to magnitude in world affairs than first Mr. Lowe, set fire to fextail grass, which, fanned by the wind, ignited the grain field and house.

Fire Chief Lawton of Medford made a run to the field with a chemical diplomatic ramifications and leading Whitesides happened to be near of barley crop.

Eligibles for Office of Postmaster Will Take Examinations.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., July 19.-Eligibles for appointment as postmasters at Portland and Pendleton, Or., and Lewston, Idaho, will have the opportunity to qualify in civil service examinations to be held August 16, the civil service commission announced

These were the most important exnorthwest since the new executive order governing postmuster appoint ments was announced.

### DEATHS QUEERLY COINCIDE

yesterday afternoon sitting upright in the Tokio government proposed to fages in eastern Idaho within the past his chair at his deak with a bullet. clean the state of troublesome farminds of three principles involving few weeks was reported here this hole back of his left ear, while Frank eastern problems by moving toward a morning, when officers were warned Helm, foreman of Gold Zone mine at settlement of such questions as Shanto watch for four men who broke into Tonopah, was found dead yesterday tung and the occupation of Siberla. The bank at Leadore last night and afternoon sitting in his chair at his desk with a bullethole back of his

They were not related

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A PICTORIAL ECHO OF THE HOT WEATHER IN THE EAST.



New Political Ramifications Revealed.

### MUCH DELAY IS FACED

Japan Inclined to Hold Out for Exact Definition.

partment at Washington Is Entirely Informal.

the Associated Press.) - President indications disclosed.

As the preliminary negotiations proceed they are revealing unexpected engine and saved all but one acre into fields which in the beginning had seemed far removed from the purpose of the conference. But officials ap-parently are confident that the widespread effect of the president's proposal will in the end prove only an ald in accomplishing the frank ex-

change of ideas for which the conference was called. One of the principal side issues now ccupying the attention of the govnment is the disposition of Japan to hold out for an exact definition in sidered.

Lengthy Discussions Faced. To thresh out that question now nly would delay the conference, but

finations announced for the Pacific might also branch into a discussion of the merits of the disputed subjects, It is felt that the programme could best be arranged by the conference or at least by negotiation after each of he invited powers has sent in an

nditional acceptance. News dispatches from Tokio reporting that Japan might raise such questions as raclal equality and aboof extraterritorial rights in China were read with manifest inoincidence in suicides of two men terest. There was an apparent feeling of satisfaction over other unofin San Francisco was found dead ficial advices seeming to indicate that

given Japan by the state department relative to the scope of the conference was entirely informal and that department officials apparently hoped to be able to reach an understanding hamton went ashore on the Gannet witness for the Oregon telephone fedwithout a further exchange of formal dry ledge in a dense fog today. Caperation, conducted his own examinanotes. The information desired by tain M. L. Gill and the crew of 20 Tokio is understood to have been given the Japanese ambassador furing at Chebocque Point, an informal conversation with Secretary Hughes.

be giving some attention to the per- cargo, sonnel of the commission that is to = represent the United States. It was indicated today that, al- INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

though no actual choice probably would be made for a month or more the president definitely had decided that the senate, because of its joint responsibility for foreign affairs, will be represented.

### United States, Britain and Japan Likely to Act.

TOKIO, July 19 .- (By the Associated Press.)-Subsequent to a cabinet meeting today which discussed a Naval vice probe methods censured Page 3. report of Kijuro Shidehara, the ambassador to the United States, it was announced that the United States, Great Britain and Japan probably would exchange views in an effort to outline the programme for the coming Washington conference.

A semi-official statement said Japan was prepared to give all opportunity in Chilina, so as to place China in a fair way to the attainment of an independent national status The statement emphasizes the neces sity of co-operation by the powers in aiding China in the recovery of her rights and interests. It was intimated in responsible

quarters here that Japan, assuming initiative as the leading fareastern power, will be likely to sub-mit to the proposed conference over far-east questions the abandonment of extraterritoriality in China and also to ask the fixation of emigration rights to countries like Can-ada, Australia, New Zealand and Indo-China and in general raise the ques-

China and in general raise the question of racial equality.

The impression was growing that an endeavor would be made to acceiverate the settlement of matters of interest to America, such as the Yap and Shantung questions, so they may be disposed of before the opening of the conference and thus be climited to the telephone service.

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Opinion is Withheld.

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## SPECIAL POLICEMAN IS SHOT BY FIGHTER

TAXI DRIVER DECLARES HE

Al Gruman Declares Andrew M Holeman Hit Him With Club Before Help Arrived.

A call for his touring car took Al Gruman, a chauffeur, to the corner of Washington and Twenty-first streets late last night to find that SOME CONFUSION IS CAUSED tis fares were a man and a woman with whom he had had difficulties. The man, whose name was Andrew M. Holeman, was said to have ac- Figures Declared Work of cused Gruman of owing the woman some money. A fight was started and Gruman was hit over the head with a club. His cries brought Special Patrolman Robert L. Whitesides the scene, upon whom Holeman

was said to have opened fire. Each man emptled his revolver Whitesides was wounded three times One bullet penetrated the left shoul side of his face and the third ripped

Detectives and police were rushed to the scene and scoured the city park and surrounding territory in an effort capture the assailant. The man and woman were said to have cut throug a yard on Twenty-first street to Kink street and thence into the park months. The trouble, he said, was Telegraph company, and Harry M

When attacked, Gruman said he called for help and started to run. and answered. When Andrews saw the oliceman he opened fire. Holeman was said to be well

known and fairly well to do. Gruman said when he first met him several months ago he was living at effect that the valuation of the Orethe Multnomah hotel, but had since gon holdings of the Pacific company moved. The woman's identity was Gruman is a brother of Ralph

drives for the Touring & Taxi Servce company at 328 Irving street. At the hospital Whitesides said to be in no great danger. He was formerly a city policeman and lives at 63 Jessup street west

### MONTANA OFFICIAL DEAD Ex - Lleutenant - Governor Spriggs

Succumbs at Helena. HELENA, Mont., July 19 .- A. E. spriggs, ex - lieutenant - governor of Montana, died here early today after terjected Attorney Shaw, rising to short illness. He was born in Wisconsin 55 years ago and came to knowledge that these records are in Montana in 1888. He served in the the hands of the commission-40 volstate legislature in 1894, and 1896 was umes, in fact. How the legal repreelected lieutenant-governor on the sentative of the city of Portland can

democratic ticket. For the last nine years he had been chairman of the state compensation understand." board. A widow survives.

### BINGHAMTON IS ASHORE It developed that the explanation Freighter Runs Aground in Fog. the telephone company,

HALIFAX, N. S., July 19 .- The American freight steamship Bing-

It was feared the vessel might be a total loss. She was on her way

The Weather.
YESTERDAY'S Maximum temperature, 19
degrees; minimum, 33 degrees.
TODAY'S Fair; northwesterly winda.

Foreign.

Doomed murdered puffs cigarette befor-firing squad. Page 1. VIEWS EXCHANGE FORECAST Ulaterities await next British move. Page 2 Ex-Secretary Daniels and ex-Assistan Roosevelt of navy department flayed in senate report. Page 3.

Senate's stand on loan's criticized by Mark Sullivan. Page 7. arketing looms as national problem. House puts asphalt on free duty list. Page 3.

Domestic. Banking convention sought by Portland. Page L Japan was prepared to give all prominence in the conference to the questions of the open door and equal opportunity in Chlina, so as to place week ago. Fage 1. French girl's marriage to American preach-er annulied by court. Page 14. "Well I think that a reasonable Pacific Northwest.

> Details of making soldier loans worked out. Page 7. out. Page 1.
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> Shoes may decide identity of murdered man at Rossburg. Page 1.
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> Silver cup given to rescuer of 600. Page 1.
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> Governor Hart announces he will answer critics in Sunday papers. Page 14.

> Whitney and O'Hara lead qualifying round in golf open. Page 12.
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> Semi-pro baseball games for next Sunday shnounced. Page 12.
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> but presented at the first rate hearing, but presented his testimony today, re-Pavorites dumped in feature care at Ents-mazon. Page 12 California tennis stars invade east. Page 12.

Valuation of Holdings in Oregon Is Cause.

Commission Employes.

### CHARGE IS CHALLENGED

C. E. Spence, in Argument on Cost of Service to Farmers, Holds Statement Not on Record.

Five minutes before the second day's

statement by Attorney Shaw to C. E. Spence, master of the state grange, who was on the witness stand, to the was based on a field survey made in 1914 by employes of the Oregon public service commission, in which every the fight referee. He stick, glass, pole and switchboard owned by the company had been

counted. "I object to an assumption of fact that does not appear in the reco this case or any other case before ncy Tomlinson. "There is nothing in records of this commission showing such a statement to be a fact and if your company has a record "I am astounded that counsel should make such a statement." inhis feet. "Why, he knows of his own

stand on his feet and make such a statement as this is more than I can I again challenge the statement of Mr. Shaw," quickly answered Attorney Tomlinson. "There is no record

of field men having been sent out by "Well, before this case is over we will show you these records, Mr. Tomlinson. Mr. Spence, who was called as a

tion by simply discussing the farmers' men landed safely in the ship's boats economic condition and the interrelation of this condition with the increased costs of telephone service. President Harding is understood to to Russian ports with a general hit on all sides," he testified. The farmers of Oregon are being federal reserve bank has ruled that he must sell his products as quickly as they are ready for market, other wise he is in the class of a speculator and cannot receive financial assistance from the government. The freight rates have been increased, the materials required by the farmers have not decreased in price mate-

> farmer have dropped 58 per cent. Bate Increase Is Analyzed. "The telephone rate increase means that under existing market condi-Mrs. Bergdoll says she bribed army officer. tions it takes \$15 worth of goods. phone bill for one year, if comparison is made with the rates and present prices with those of two years ago.

rially, while the products of the

"Two years ago the farmer's tele-Daws announces saving of \$112.512.628 phone bill could be paid by two and one-half bushels of wheat and now it takes nine bushels. Formerly he could pay his bill with nine dozen of eggs, now it takes 25 dozen. For-merly nine pounds of wool would care for the year's bill, now if he can get 15 cents a pound, which he cannot, it would take 60 pounds of "Well, I think that a reasonable

rate at this time for the telephone company would be one which would force them to bear a loss not to ex-

torney Shaw developed the fact that Sports. torney Shaw developed the fact that complice bares baseball sell-out. Page 12 Mr. Spence had made no study of the newspapers and from talking with farmers who are subscribers to

Portland and Vicinity.

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Price board puts blame on Captain Riley.

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Portland declared well advertised at really men's convention. Page 10.

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