

STEWART'S ESCAPE FROM BOAT DOUBTED

Concealment Impossible, Pilot Testifies.

NO ONE SEEN IN HIDING

Impeachment of Testimony That Banker Was Seen in California Is Attempted by Plaintiff.

TACOMA, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Architecture of the ferryboat Queen, from which it is alleged, Fred E. Stewart, missing Kelso banker, disappeared, was studied today in the federal court by the plaintiff in the defense and plaintiff in Mrs. Maude E. Stewart's suit to force payment on \$45,000 life insurance by the Prudential and Mutual Life insurance companies.

Captain Thayer, who had been pilot on the boat for a number of years, testified that there was not room in the small afterhatch for one to get into and that the rubber mat was in the way of preventing one from being able to walk about the guard rail of the boat to the stern and then get ashore without being observed by crew or passengers. Captain Thayer on cross-examination declared he had not been discharged from the boat by Captain John Reed, but left voluntarily.

Peculiarities Are Asserted.

When questioned regarding automobiles standing on River street and designated by the "sign board" Captain Thayer declared this was not at all unusual. Captain Pomeroy, who stated he had worked on the Queen for seven years, declared he had never seen anyone so around on the narrow guard of the boat.

Percy Brush, Tacoma, formerly attorney for the Kelso bank, told of peculiarities about Stewart that would make him noticeable and spoke of Stewart's teeth which he declared were gold crowned. Both he and Stewart wore their hair the same and had taken up similar styles about eight years ago. Mr. Brush identified several photographs of Stewart as having been taken before the change in hair combing style was made.

Impeachment Is Attempted.

Attempted impeachment by the plaintiff of the testimony of George Ellwood and other witnesses who swore to seeing Stewart in California after his disappearance was begun today. In his rebuttal testimony, Maurice E. Langhorne, attorney for the plaintiff, endeavored to show that Ellwood had several times stated he could not swear to the identity of the man he took to be Stewart, and that the photographs of the missing banker cashier used in his identification by the defense were old pictures, which did not resemble him at the time of his disappearance.

Ellwood's Statement at Issue.

Henry J. Ashbury, a Tacoma barber, who knew Stewart, testified that it would have been impossible for him to have returned to his old style of hair brushing. This evidence was introduced to combat the defense's case that Stewart had returned to his former method as a disguise.

Paul Shotwell, purser on the ferryboat Queen, from which Stewart disappeared, declared that Ellwood had told him in May, 1921, that he had seen Stewart in Hanford, Cal., on February 22, and that he fixed the date by the fact it was a holiday and no stores were open. He declared that when Ellwood was told that Stewart did not disappear until March 17 he said he had probably been in the man. On the stand Ellwood had denied positively ever making any such statements.

E. M. Taylor, a Kalama barber, testified to a conversation he had in his shop regarding the Stewart case and swore that Ellwood had said he could not swear to the identity of the man he took to be Stewart. It is expected that the evidence in the case will be all in tomorrow.

TEMPLES ARE INSPIRING

Thought came to him that he must keep this record. He has not cheated the years of forgetfulness, and so it was that Jingoro began the creation of the statue of his wife, the well beloved.

Builder Takes Time.

There was no haste to his hand. His edged tools touched the insensate wood, curiously, lingeringly, for more than a decade. Time and again it seemed that Hato's likeness would smile at him and speak fond names. He tolled another year, he lovel to, and the silken garments all cast away in the breeze; the warmth of life all but flushed the iron-like cheek. Into one last touch of the steel he cast his soul and as the fleck of teak fell to the matting Hato's stepped toward him and outstretched her arms. Love had beaded death. Candor compelled the recitation of that anti-climax which the playwright seized upon.

Thereafter Jingoro the left-handed had but to thrust a mirror in Hato's girdele to win his wife again; had but to draw the mirror forth to see the statue stand as a statue and nothing more. Let us hope, though the myth denies it, that he had the good sense to shatter the mirror into fragments and live happily ever after.

Dancer Lacks Enthusiasm.

For a handful of coppers or a ten-cent note the priestess of Buddha will dance for you at Nikko, in the accompaniment of her own nasal chant. Robed in white she, as the priests are robed in black, and those would ever mistake her for a debutante. We were informed, as she jangled the bells of a wand and tread softly and fro, that her dance would bring us, by its prayerful significance, a deal of prosperity. Her eyes were chill and lustreless, her performance without enthusiasm. The floor at her feet was strewn with copper and silver and paper. Of the same there were several small sacks already neatly parcelled. She seemed a maiden aunt of acquisitive tendencies and coldly certain herself of that material endowment she bespoke for us. I could not reverence her, try as I would, and much preferred to leave her bobbing and to climb the giant stone staircase that mounts the hill to the tomb of the first Shogun, who overthrew her ancestor and penned him as a fox is penned. There at least was candor.

Temple Is Attractive.

The temple of the tomb of the Shogun prospered, so well that the banks of Japan vie for its deposit. Shintoist and Buddhist both hold it in sanctity and worship there. Even thus early in the year, when roads are bad and the fields need planting, hundreds of pilgrims arrive daily, by train and afoot. Each pays a substantial admission fee and all shed their geta to walk in bare or stocking feet into

the dim halls of the shrines, where the priests of Buddha and Shinto preach monotonously, the spotless matting paved with offerings of coin. Incomparable craftsmanship is all about. Each panel bears its history and its meaning. They are the complex record of a superstitious symbolism and moral philosophy. They are art as well. To attempt description is to mire oneself in adjectives and suppositions. It is very good to be curious, but better still to stand once more in the sunlight beneath the inter-racial cedars, breathing a breeze that might have been born in Oregon. As for moral philosophy, evident to the outsider, you must turn to the Shogun's stables—a rather down-at-heels structure that houses lo ponies. There the three monkeys twine themselves above the ancient doors—hands to ears, hands to mouth, hands to eyes. "Neither see, hear nor speak any evil." O wise and comprehensible monkeys!

Guide Is Cynical.

The guide is a cynic, fellow, though an excellent guide. He looks with jaundiced eyes at the priest of Nikko and for the squatted priests in black, amid the flaming, gorgeous peacocks, the multi-colored flowers, of the panels, the gridded grove of the shrines, he reserves the smile of the disillusioned. He is alien to the sanctified air about him, and his cynicism is his creed. To him religion is a weight that rests upon the foolish necks of the people, and presses them ever into the mire. That which he relates is his own viewpoint in which I have no part. Nor can I say that he ever into the mire. That which he relates is his own viewpoint in which I have no part. Nor can I say that he ever into the mire. That which he relates is his own viewpoint in which I have no part.

Priests Sentenced for Grafting.

Ten priests of this very temple were arrested three years ago for what you call grafting. They were sentenced to eight years at hard labor. Ah, yes. For ten yen they permit visitor to enter the very interior of the shrine, where Buddha sits, and from this theft and dishonor they make much money before the authorities apprehend them. The people of Japan pay them much money to live in idleness and wickedness, nor are their eyes open by these ten.

Buddhism is not as it was in my father's day. He had a wife and a child, a priestess? Ha! She is very old, very ugly, very scrawny. Such a priestess! It used to be that the priest and priestess should enter the temple when very young girl, of 9 years about. Pure in heart. There she stay until young womanhood, dancing and praying for prosperity. But when she is no longer a girl she must go into the world, for her thoughts are not thoughts of a priestess. That was very good custom, but now it is no more. Now it is shrewd old woman, such as you find who will stay for all ways. She is called Mikko, or 'God's child.' Ha! She is neither God's nor a child. Both priest and priestess marry today. In Japan there are many people who do not believe—who do not believe anything.

We should like very greatly to see Nikko when the wild azaleas are in bloom, spreading pinkly over those steep hills, crowding the edge of the timber, where the monkey folk peep from the branches. For Nikko is not only a Japanese city, but also the magnificence of Nikko is not the glitter of her world-famous shrines. Her charm is her locality, her moist, humid air, her flowers, her old mansions that an impoverished governor planted because he had no gold to give to the memory of the Shogun.

BEN LAMPMAN RETURNING

TOO SLOW TIME MADE BY JULIUS MEIER'S PARTY.

Feature Writer for The Oregonian Sends Cablegram; Don Skene Is to Travel to Paris.

Ben Hur Lampman, the feature writer of The Oregonian, who is accompanying Julius L. Meier, chairman of the state-wide committee managing the program work for the proposed 1925 exposition, on a tour that was to encircle the globe, will not proceed, as was planned, but will return this month.

The Oregonian has received a cablegram from Mr. Lampman at Shanghai, advising he would sail for home this month.

Information given in the cable was meager, but it was understood that Mr. Meier will proceed with his tour as planned originally.

Repeated delays in the itinerary of the Meier party is believed to be responsible for the decision of Mr. Lampman to return home. He is weeks behind his schedule and the contemplated brief trip around the world would lengthen into many months if the slow time that has been made were to continue throughout the journey.

Don Skene, of The Oregonian local staff, had already made arrangements to meet Mr. Meier's party in Paris, where he plans an extended stay, and he will leave Portland this morning for New York, whence he will sail for France.

White away, Mr. Skene will furnish special correspondence to The Oregonian that will be of interest to its readers, as showing the post-war Paris, and the differences that have come in the Paris of war days, with which so many of this paper's readers are familiar.

Rabbits Few in Tumulao.

BEND, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Rabbits comparatively few in the Tumulao section this year. It was discovered by hunters who took part in a drive yesterday. Where 1500 rabbits were slaughtered last year only 200 were bagged Sunday.

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GENOA GATHERING OPENS WITH CLASH

Wreck Is Threatened by Disarmament Tilt.

PLEA MADE FOR PEACE

Lloyd George Makes Powerful Appeal to Delegates to Work in Unison and on Equal Footing.

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sembled on this continent, and having regard for the magnitude of the assembly, the character of its representation and the importance of the issues to be discussed, the results of the conference will be far-reaching in their effects either for better or for worse, upon the destiny not merely of Europe, but the whole world.

Terms Are Declared Equal.

"We meet on equal terms, provided we accept equal conditions. We are not here as allies and enemy states; we are not here as belligerents, or neutrals; we have not come together as monarchists or republicans or socialists or communists or any other representatives of all the nations and peoples of Europe to seek out the best methods for restoring the shattered fragments of a continent. We are here to build up in his own land, each in his own way, a better condition of things for the people than the world has yet enjoyed. But if we meet on terms of equality it must be because we accept equal conditions.

"The conditions inviting the powers were laid down at Cannes. They apply to all alike; they are the conditions which heretofore have been accepted by all civilized communities as the basis of international good faith. They in themselves are honorable; they are essential to any intercourse between nations; they do not derogate from the complete sovereignty of the state. We fully accept them ourselves; they are the conditions on which we can consent to deal with others. I will summarize them in two or three sentences.

Aggressive Operations Barred.

"The first is, when a country enters a contract obligation with another country or its nationals for value received, that contract cannot be repudiated, whether the contract changes its government without returning value. The second is that no country can make war on the institutions of another. The third is that one nation shall not engage in aggressive operations against the territory of another. The fourth is that the nationals of one country shall be entitled to impartial justice in the courts of another.

"If any people reject these elementary conditions of civilized intercourse between nations, they cannot be incorporated in the invitation to this conference; they are the fundamental basis of its proceedings and all those who accepted the invitation are presumed to have accepted the conditions and have agreed to believe that that is the view which every nation represented in this assembly is prepared to adhere to in letter and spirit.

Common Effort Is Needed.

"Europe undoubtedly needs a common effort to repair the devastation wrought by the most destructive war ever waged in this world. That war came to an end three years ago. Europe, exhausted with its fury, with the loss of blood and treasure involved, is staggering under the colossal burdens of debt and reparation in the east; the peoples of all races and classes are suffering, some more, some less, but all are suffering, and unless some common effort by all nations of Europe is made and made immediately to restore European efficiency I can see symptoms not merely that the suffering will continue but that it may even deepen into despair.

Real Peace Declared Needed.

"What is the first need of Europe—peace, a real peace. We propose to study the currency—good. We propose to examine the question of exchange rates. That also is good. We propose to discuss transport and credit. That is all good. But unless peace is established and good will amongst nations all these discussions will be of no avail. On the other hand, if real peace is the issue of this conference, all those things will be added to you, but there is no peace in Europe. It is true that actual fighting has ceased but the snarling goes on, and as there are many dogs in every country who imagine that the order of the pack has become important, make of their ferocity and determination, Europe is defended by this canine clamor.

Confidence Held Destroyed.

"It is undignified, it is distracting; it destroys confidence; it has rattled the nerves of a nerve-ridden continent, and we shall only make a real contribution to the restoration of Europe at this conference if we can stop the snarling. Europe needs rest, quiet and tranquillity—that is she needs peace.

"If we act together in the same spirit we shall succeed not in the spirit of greedy vigilance over selfish interests, but with a common desire to do the best to restore the world to its normal condition of health and vigor. We shall do so if we measure the success of the conference we achieve, not by the good we prevent. We must not roll boulders in front of the plow. Let us think more of what can be accomplished than what can be restricted. We have all of us one common restriction in the public opinion of our countries. The public opinion of one country is concentrated perhaps more upon one aspect of affairs, the public opinion of another country upon a different object. That undoubtedly creates difficulties.

Task Declared Not Easy.

"It is not easy to reconcile these divergent opinions, even when they are not conflicting. But public opinion is not a rigid fact like the Alps or the Alps. However, amenable to guidance, to direction, to the appeal of reason and conscience, and I feel confident that in every way it will yield a good deal to an appeal made to its mind and heart by the common statesmanship of Europe. It can be taught the good of another country is not necessarily an evil of its own; or, the contrary, that which benefits all the lands must necessarily be best for its own.

"The world is one economic unit. Economically it is not even a sphere; it is one round, unbroken sphere. For that reason I regret that the great American republic is not represented here. However, the fact that has happened and is happening in Europe makes Americans cautious in interfering in our affairs. But if we can set these things right at this conference, I feel sure that America will not merely come in, but come in gladly.

"The world will follow our deliberations with alternate hopes and fears. If we fail there will be a sense of despair which will sweep over the whole world; if we succeed a ray of confidence will illuminate the gloom which is resting on the spirit of mankind.

"Europe is the cradle of the great civilization which during the last 500 years, has spread across the globe. That civilization has been menaced with destruction by the horrors of the last few years, and if we do our duty manfully, fearlessly, we shall prove by this conference meeting, whenever the council of achieving its exalted purpose by establishing on a firm basis peace and good will amongst men."

By agreement among the delegates Premier Poincaré was elected president of the conference and Signor Schanzer, vice-president. Representatives of 33 states were present when the conference opened. The ambassadors of the United States, Richard Washburn Child, took his seat in a section reserved for eminent guests.

STATE INVESTS IN BONDS

\$50,579 of Accident Commission Funds Put in Securities.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Segregated state accident commission funds aggregating \$50,579 today were invested in school district and county road bonds by the state bond commission.

Included in the purchases were bonds of Washington county school district No. 2, totalling \$14,000; bonds of Klamath county school district No. 53, totalling \$8475; bonds of Clatsop county school district No. 10, in the amount of \$400; bonds of Malheur county school district No. 26, totalling \$7600; and Umatilla county road bonds in the amount of \$20,900.

Road Route Viewed by Jury.

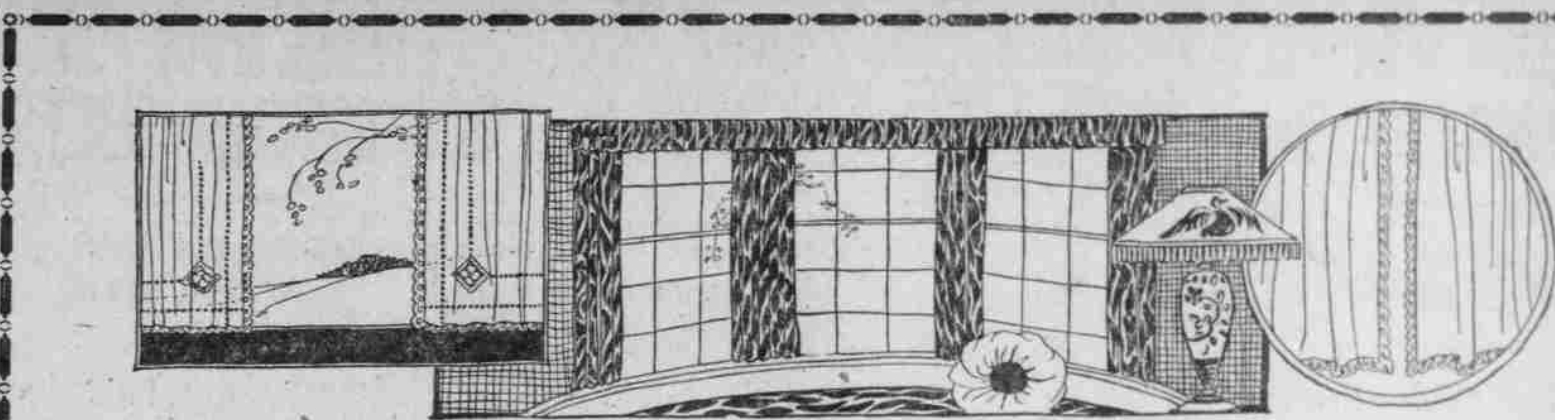
SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Members of a jury drawn in the circuit court here Saturday to hear suits

Brush Prairie Thieves Busy.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Chicken thieves have been operating near Brush Prairie again, this time stealing four dozen fine Barded Rock chickens. A wire fence between the post and opposite the chicken house was cut with nippers.

Logger Is Killed by Tree.

ASTORIA, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Fred Nelman, an employe at the Larkin-Green Lumber company's camp, was killed today when a tree that was blown over struck him. Nelman was a native of Russia, about



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Curts in the amount of \$6519. The cases are being tried jointly.

\$2,616,000 Loans Approved.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 10.—Approval of \$0 advances for agricultural and livestock purposes aggregating \$2,616,000 was announced today by the war finance corporation. Distribution of the loans included: California, \$300,000; Colorado, \$25,000; Idaho, \$10,000; Iowa, \$18,000; Montana, \$71,000; Texas, \$401,000; Utah, \$220,000; and Washington, \$10,000.

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