

BOY'S HAZING ONLY HASTENED CRISIS

Young Bristol Was Subject to
Insanity, Asylum Physi-
cian Testifies.

EXPECT REPORT TUESDAY

Regents' Committee Concludes In-
vestigation of "Tubbing" of Stu-
dent at State University.
May Criticize Faculty.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Ralph Bristol was on the verge of a nervous collapse for some days prior to the time he was "bathubbed" at the University of Oregon.

He had a hereditary predisposition toward insanity, but a method of disciplining students, and was employed in this instance because of an infringement of rules. This method of enforcing rules was known to the faculty and was not prohibited.

The five boys who ducked Bristol had not been deficient in deportment at any time since entering the university.

Any other excitement causing the same degree of emotion would probably have precipitated an attack of insanity in Ralph Bristol.

A normal person would not be harmed by "bathubbing" and a person in the same nervous condition as Bristol might be benefited thereby.

Committee to Report Tuesday.

These were the main features of the testimony secured by the investigation which ended today of the episode at the University of Oregon, December 17, following which Ralph Bristol became violently insane.

The evidence taken at Eugene this morning by the committee was given by students, members of the faculty and President P. L. Campbell. At noon the committee came to Salem, where Dr. E. A. Tamiel, assistant physician at the insane asylum, who has had Ralph Bristol under his care, was examined.

Dr. Tamiel was the last witness to appear before the committee, and at 10 o'clock next Tuesday morning the committee will submit its report to the full Board of Regents at a meeting to be held in Portland, at the office of C. A. Dolph.

This report, it is predicted by those who have followed the testimony, will expose the willful wrongdoing or of actual responsibility for young Bristol's present condition. The report is predicted by those who have followed the testimony, will expose the willful wrongdoing or of actual responsibility for young Bristol's present condition.

Hazing is Infrequent.

It was his impression, he said, that the students believed they had authority to administer that form of punishment. It was not desired to humiliate the students, and it was looked upon by him as an ordinary method of punishment not calling for comment one way or the other.

Hazing proper, he said, had been discouraged by the faculty and had been looked upon with an attitude of extreme disapproval. The method to curb it, he said, adopted by him had been to appeal to the class organizations, and that method had proved, on the whole, a success. By this method, cases of hazing had been abolished several years ago.

During the organization period at the beginning of each year, there had been some instances of hazing, he said, but after class organization it had been discontinued. The attitude of the classes had been adverse to it. There had never been a complaint to him by any person, or by anyone in behalf of another, concerning hazing incidents at the university.

Miss Julia Burgess, instructor in English, said that she saw Ralph Bristol about three times weekly. He was not a prominent student, but was very painstaking. He was different from the average in general temperament and characteristics, but there were other students under her observation of a similar type.

Actions in Classroom "Queer."

That Ralph, from being a fair student, had deteriorated after a month, was the observation of Dr. R. Clark, assistant professor of history. Ralph's answers to questions, after the first month in college, were inconsequential, and he had impressed Professor Clark as "ill-balanced," "more than eccentric" and "queer." At times he would hand in papers to him not asked for and on subjects never suggested.

That Ralph was attempting to do more than the regular maximum of work in the university was brought out in the testimony of Professor F. G. Young, instructor in economics. Sixteen hours of regular classwork is the regular maximum, and the minimum is 12. Eighteen is permitted under certain conditions, and Ralph was attempting to do 18, one hour of which was in the gymnasium.

Stanley Young, a student, said that on one occasion Bristol had said something with the claim that there was iron ore that could be mined with profit under the football field. Young said that, as a joke, he told Bristol that a mining company would soon begin operations there, and Bristol pulled some money from his pocket and wanted to invest in the stock.

Bristol had appeared very anxious in the matter. Other evidence was brought out through other witnesses was that Ralph had never been "nagged" by the other students and that the stairway banister, said to have been broken during the struggle at the time he was ducked, had been in that condition before the incident.

At Salem, where the inquiry was con-

ducted in the Supreme Court chamber, Dr. Tamiel declared that an hereditary predisposition to insanity was the underlying condition in Bristol's case. The bath-tubbing, he said, could have been an important factor in precipitating an attack such as he underwent and such as he has suffered since the incident. The same result might have occurred and probably would have occurred, in his opinion, if the boy had not been ducked, provided there were some other sufficiently exciting cause.

"Knowing the case only from the symptoms I have observed since the young man has been in my care," said Dr. Tamiel, "I should surmise that he was in a state of nervous collapse prior to the bath-tubbing incident."

Tubbing Hastened Crisis.

In answer to a question from the committee, Dr. Tamiel said that in his opinion the bath-tubbing was an important factor in precipitating the extreme condition of the patient, but that another person in the same condition might go through a similar experience and be benefited. He said that the young man in insanity could undoubtedly be traced in the family tree.

In response to a question as to whether the tubbing was not "the match that kindled a train of powder already laid," Dr. Tamiel responded in the affirmative. He said that any other exciting cause might have precipitated a violent attack of insanity in the young man. "I think he was insane longer than his parents realized," were the physician's concluding words.

In Eugene, among those who are interested in university affairs, there is a sympathy for Ralph Bristol's parents, but the sentiment concerning the five young men under fire is not one of antagonism. The feeling in favor of the five students is strengthened by the facts that they violated no rule, the university were imposing traditional punishment for an aggravated infringement of rules; did not use undue force and engaged in an incident that only under the most unusual circumstances could be disastrous in results.

Insanity in Family Denied.

Allenista says that "dementia praecox," the type of dementia from which Ralph Bristol is suffering, is recognized as an hereditary form, using the term in the broad sense. One physician who has examined the young man expresses the conviction that if his ancestry were to be traced back some form of abnormal nervous development would be found in one branch or the other.

J. N. Bristol, father of Ralph, testified in Eugene that there was no insanity in the boy's family. When his attention was called to the testimony of Dr. Tamiel that insanity could probably be traced in young Bristol's family tree, Mr. Bristol declared that there had been no hereditary insanity as far back as the great-grandparents.

"I was insane for three weeks myself once, from typhoid fever," he added. "Was it delirium or actual insanity?" was asked.

"Call it what you like," was the reply. "but I can say positively that there is no hereditary insanity in the family."

WOMAN DOES NOT WEEP

NELSON'S WIDOW RETURNS TO
CLAIM HIS MONEY.

Ran Away and Hid From Husband
Because Life With Him Was Un-
bearable, She Declares.

TACOMA, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Wearied to a state of exhaustion from her long stay with no visible signs of emotion on her sad home-coming to view the corpse of the husband who had lost his life through efforts to find her, Mrs. Anna M. Nelson, wife of the late Andrew P. Nelson, stepped from the depot this afternoon. She immediately repaired to quiet lodgings, where she later submitted to an interview, but refused to tell why she had hid from her husband.

"We could not agree. Our family life was not pleasant, and I did not care to get a divorce, so I just ran away and hid," she said. "I am so glad he did not commit suicide, but perhaps he is better off since he died naturally. Of course, I grieve for him, but I am necessarily hardened."

What Mrs. Nelson refused to supply concerning her family history was told by C. J. Johnson, a real estate dealer, at whose home she stayed about a year ago, when she first left her husband. Johnson says that when Mrs. Nelson appeared at his home both her eyes were black and blue, as was her body, from the beating administered by Nelson.

She later said, a result of a quarrel with her husband. She displayed the scars to Mrs. Johnson and told of several brutal beatings Nelson had administered.

Mrs. Nelson was met at the depot by Attorney McQuesten, who was in her conference while she remained in hiding, and could not state what disposition she would make of Nelson's estate, except that she would share it with his mother, who is living in Denmark. A hearing of the petition for papers of administration comes up Tuesday, when he believed the attorneys engaged to search for her will endeavor to secure an administratorship.

Attorney Garvey, representing the Catholic institutions, has withdrawn from the fight.

DESERTERS SOON CAUGHT

Two Men Who Knock Down Guard
Are Overtaken in Woods.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Two prisoners, Irvin Barber and Private Mantell, struck down Guard Myers of the Engineer Corps this morning, escaped from their quarters, and fled with ammunition and escaped from the garrison to the woods.

The two were working at the time back of the officers' quarters. The alarm was given by Myers and a detail of soldiers started out in pursuit, the escaped prisoners having about 20 minutes the start. They were overtaken by Edward Wilkie of B Company and two other soldiers in the woods to the north of the military cemetery about three hours later.

Barber and Mantell were seated on a log waiting for night. Both are under sentence for desertion. Myers was not injured seriously.

JUVENILE COURT PROPOSED

Salem Would Look After Youthful
Offenders.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—The City Council has taken the initial steps for the establishment of a Juvenile Court. The details are not yet worked out, but it is probable the janitors of the various schools will be vested with police powers and detention quarters for youthful offenders fitted up in the City Hall.

Civil engineers are said to be busy near Beaverton making the plans for a large gravity canal from the Rio Grande into the Mexican territory. It is possible that the water may be taken from the river for a distance of about 40 miles into the interior.

THEY IS FRACE SLAIN IN REVENGE

Discharged Workmen Believed
to Have Killed Tacoma
Contractor.

BODY IS FOUND IN WOODS

Bullet Holes Show Manner of Death.

Money in Pockets Untouched.

Corpse Is Dragged Some
Distance From Path.

TACOMA, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Following a trail of bloodstains this morning along an abandoned path a short distance from the Frace home, detectives and neighbors of James A. Frace, a prominent Tacoma contractor, found the bullet-riddled corpse of a man who has been missing from his home since Wednesday evening.

It is believed, had been murdered by some person inspired with motives of revenge, and his body had been dragged along the path and concealed beneath a heavy fir tree.

Detectives and Deputy Sheriffs in full force have been working swiftly upon half a dozen sensational clues, which they expect to give out for publication, and say they expect soon to land the murderer in jail. This is the third brutal murder which has occurred within the year, with arrests following, and the police department is stirred to its depths.

Had Several Recent Quarrels.

Frace, who has been a resident of Tacoma for a number of years, has been a powerful foe of the unions and has wasted no opportunity to strike vital blows. He was a heavy drinker, and when in his cups quarrelsome. But last week he engaged in an altercation and fight which resulted in his receiving two black eyes, and later he had another fight in which he worsted his adversary, it is said.

Wednesday night Frace left his work in the city and started for his home near Regents Park, about 5:30 o'clock. Before boarding the car he purchased a quantity of meat for his evening meal. The trail leading from his home to the car is through a heavy forest and quite dark early in the evening. When he did not appear at home Friday his wife appealed to the police, and a search was instituted, which resulted in the gruesome find.

Valuables Are Untouched.

After scouring the woods near the trail leading to the Frace home, the detectives and friends, together with Frace's son John, enlarged the territory they were searching. Al Lester was shortly in the lead on an abandoned trail, and discovered the body of the man. Following this he came to the body. One bullet had grazed the scalp and cut six holes in Frace's hat. Another entered the right chest and a third pierced the bowknob of his tie and passed through his breast.

Signs on the trail indicated the body had been dragged about 15 feet in silence of the money or jewelry carried by the contractor had been disturbed. In his pockets were found several negotiable papers and about \$5 in silver, together with his watch and rings. The heart was under the body. Three empty cartridges, such as are used in a 32-caliber automatic revolver, were found about 20 feet from where the trail of blood began.

Discharged Workmen Suspected.

Because of his activity in fighting the unions and the fact that he has refused to employ union men has made Frace exceedingly unpopular with the majority of the laboring class, and his life is said to have often been threatened.

ROOSEVELT ORDER REVOKED

Ballinger Takes Action in Reopening
Certain Montana Lands.

BUTTE, Mont., April 10.—Advice received from Senator Thomas H. Carter state that Secretary Ballinger, of the Department of the Interior, has revoked the order made in February withdrawing from entry lands along the Madison, Jefferson and Beaver Head rivers. The order was made just before Roosevelt's retirement, and it was stated that it was made in order to keep speculators from locating power sites.

TACOMA WOMAN MISSING

Husband Fears Spouse, Who Was
Melancholy, Is Suicide.

TACOMA, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Mrs. Margaret Hall, nee Cronwell, 23 years old, disappeared from her room at the Johnson Hotel yesterday, and all efforts of her husband and friends and police to locate her have failed.

"I believe she may have committed suicide, as she often threatened to do so," said her husband. "I went across the bay in the morning, and when I re-

turned I found she had put on her oldest clothes and gone. She has been brooding and melancholy lately because of money matters."

Mrs. Hall has a daughter, Lonna, 15 years old, who has been living with friends lately, the mother and daughter not being able to agree.

O'BRIEN VISITS AT SALEM

Harriman's Manager Looks After
Depot Needs in Capital City.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—It is expected that before another year passes, Salem will have a new passenger and freight depot as the result of a visit of inspection here today of a group of prominent Southern Pacific officials, including General Manager J. P. O'Brien, J. M. Buckley, general superintendent; G. W. Roschke, chief engineer; L. R. Fields, superintendent; W. Bolons, resident engineer.

The officials, accompanied by the Mayor and the officers of the Board of Trade, made a thorough inspection of the Southern Pacific property and became convinced of the need of extensive improvements at this point. It is expected that work on the new freight depot will be started in a comparatively short time.

Important changes will be made also in the trackage and yard facilities and the grounds of the passenger station beautified.

NO NEED TO COMPROMISE

Oregon Already Has Sand Island,
Says Governor Benson.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Governor Benson, of Washington, has written Governor Benson, of this state, in regard to the boundary question long pending between the two states. It is understood the Washington authorities favor an arbitration commission to consider the entire question.

Governor Benson has acknowledged the receipt of the communication from the Governor of Washington and has taken the matter under advisement. While he will say nothing as to the merits of the matter, it is gathered from other sources that the Oregon authorities may not be anxious to hand the matter over to a commission, since the Supreme Court of the United States has already rendered a decision in favor of Oregon's contention in the matter.

The principal ground of litigation is Sand Island at the mouth of the Columbia. The Washington people are now making an effort to have the case reopened by the United States Supreme Court.

GASOLINE TO RUN CARS

Falls City Line Will Establish Fast
Passenger Service.

SALEM, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—It is stated that the Salem Falls City & Western Railroad, which is now completing its line between this city and Dallas, will operate gasoline motor-cars on its line to handle the passenger traffic. The terminus of the line will be in West Salem, where a town-site will be platted and a river wharf built by ex-Mayor F. E. Waters.

The building of the road promises to cause a boom all along the line, and especially in the western part of Salem. The road is owned by Portland capitalists, and is already in operation between Dallas and Falls City.

Girl in Saloon Leads to Fine.

Roy Rhodes and Mary Eastery were each found guilty in the Municipal Court yesterday afternoon of breaking

city ordinances, Rhodes' fine being \$25 for selling liquor to a girl under age, and the girl was fined \$1 for being in a saloon. According to the complaint made by Officer Roberts, there were four people in the room with the girl,

two of them being young men and the other the girl's sister. Arthur McDaniels, the young man who was with Mary Eastery, hired a state car against him for enticing the girl into the saloon. The fine of the girl was

paid by the owners of the Tumwater saloon, on Morrison street, where the couple were found.

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