

BRIDLE KNOT MAY TRAP MURDERER

Salem Police Think Method of Tying Horse's Eliminated Suicide Theory.

BUGGY IMPORTANT CLEW

Roberts Mystery Still Unsolved. Gardner Boy No Longer Under Cloud—Sheriff Minto Is Confident of Capture.

SALEM, Nov. 5.—(Special).—To the first clew found in the Roberts murder case a bridle knot tied by one familiar with horses is tied by city and county investigators and this fragment of evidence may be as potent as others in unraveling the mystery. That Roberts himself did not tie his horse to a girder of the bridge where he met his death Chief of Police Gibson is convinced. The knot was a secure one and drawn to tautness of which the aged man was not capable, says Chief Gibson, and, furthermore, it is declared, Roberts, knowing the gentleness of the animal, would not have tied him at all.

This is one of the many points against the suicide theory advanced by men who knew Roberts particularly in business dealings. Further, downing the suicide theory the bullets lodged in the bridge are at a height of eight feet and seem to have entered the bridge horizontally. This might indicate that the stags which missed Roberts were fired by the murderer as he stood on the hub or spokes of a fore-wheel. As no blood stains were found in the buggy, it is deduced by the investigators that the aged driver was pulled from the vehicle and shot at close range as he stood or was prone on the bridge. The hole through the victim's hat does not seem to be powder marked but the wound in Roberts' temple was rimmed with black.

Gashed Grip Mystifies. Another mystifying bit of evidence is the condition of the grip where the aged man is supposed to have carried his money. A thumb which was found on the murder victim is certain did not exceed \$300. The grip was gashed twice, once perpendicularly and once across its entire length. The grip was not locked and slashing of its side to get at the contents was unnecessary.

Still another peculiar feature of the case is the fact that the old man's watch and chain were not taken and set at the contents was unnecessary.

That Roberts left his revolver at home for the first time is accounted for by the belief that he may have had an appointment with some one he knew well. But as he was extremely secretive as to his business affairs and was accustomed to burn all letters received the investigators believe he was one of the hardest points to solve.

However, it is certain Sheriff Minto has a clew based on a livery stable, a buggy or the man in which the Roberts' horse was tied to the bridge girder. After having visited every livery stable in Salem twice, a call from a feed barn summoned him last night. It seems the Sheriff has mapped a plan to continue his investigation on this line particularly, besides running down clews from other sources.

Suspicion Leaves Gardner. After stringent investigation it is believed Earl Gardner, who first discovered Roberts dying on the bridge, will not be held. At no time was it thought the Gardner took any part in the crime. The authorities merely believed that Gardner saw and heard more than he told the night of the murder and at the inquest. Suspicion that Gardner had not made a clean breast of the affair was caused by assertions made by a liveryman. He said Gardner had hired a buggy and he was going to Turner. Instead he went one mile and a half west of Turner, and the horse was not returned until several hours later than the scheduled time, exclusive of the delay due to the bridge murder. Roberts' buggy blocking passage until the authorities had viewed the scene.

Gardner said he had left the Green farm between 5 and 5:30 o'clock. The Green farm is about four miles and a half from the scene of the murder and, owing to the poor condition of the road, it is not believed he could cover the distance before 5:30 o'clock, the approximate time when Roberts was killed. Discovery of tracks of a rubber-tired buggy 100 yards from the bridge on the Turner side also played a part in prompting the authorities to question Gardner. The wheel tracks indicated that the buggy had been turned off the road.

Reform Inmates Not Suspected. It has been ascertained that no inmates of the Reform School, but half a mile from the scene of the tragedy, were paroled the day of the murder, and there were no absconees from the institution at nightfall. It is apparent, however, that some after the murder was made through the Reform School fence.

The night of the murder several members of a campaign party returning from Turner passed over the bridge and several noted a buggy drawn by two horses, one gray and the other sorrel. The only hope for more decisive clews seems to depend on persons who traveled the road that night, and the authorities are directing most of their attention to questioning them.

All other quests thus far have proved futile. Investigation of three suspects has resulted in Chief of Police Gibson declaring that he has been on a useless trail. Chief Gibson made a hurried trip to Clatsop this morning, but upon his return said his supposition had fallen flat.

Sheriff Minto says the case is the most intricate he has ever encountered. He is confident of capturing the murderer, however, saying clews are often tardy. Sheriff Minto boasts that his record is unmarred by any failure in solving murder mysteries.

SHOTGUN OSWALD WEST

Writer Gives Ludicrous Picture of Bourne's Hired Man.

NEWBERG, Or., Nov. 5.—(To the Editor).—The report in the Oregonian today of Mr. West's attack upon United States District Attorney McCourt in his speech at Salem for not suppressing the fact that the Bourne candidate for Governor had made a speech in the Federal Court that his residence is in the District of Columbia and that he swore to a claim, and collected it for travel pay for a trip from Portland to Washington City which he never made—is quite characteristic of the man and the political combine of which he is the tool. I also read from Salem that Mr. West, the man whom Senator Bourne has ordered the people to elect to the Governorship, also said that if he failed to get redress in the

courts for the wrong he has endured, by reason of what some newspaper has said of him, he will use a shotgun, etc. But just the same, the people are generally commenting upon the fact that neither Mr. West nor his Bourne newspaper booster in Portland has made the slightest effort to explain why he should have collected that message for a return trip to Washington City, when, in fact, he did not travel a foot of that distance. Over and over again this question has been asked, but "nothing doing" in that quarter. It is stated that the Bourne staff is opposed to an assembly, and that should suffice even if he did keep \$50 of the United States Government's money, and delivered only a part of the goods to the state, that he swore the Government owed him for making a trip to the National capital on business which he also says was exclusively for the state and for which the state paid him in full.

Then, to think that Mr. McCourt should not have suppressed this matter in the interest of the candidacy of the Bourne machine's man. No wonder "Oz" is incensed. The inference is that after the election, and the fiery newspaper has time to consider the direct causes of the defeat, he will not only clean out his newspaper foe in Salem, but direct his artillery toward the general United States District Attorney. But John McCourt has several times proved himself a fighter, and this fact may dissuade the peppy "Oz" from extending his snuff-beyond the limits of the Capital City. His threat to deliver the goods, even if he has to resort to a shotgun, is a very suggestive indication of the intellectual plane upon which the Bourne-Chamberlain-West machine is doing business. R. L. D.

YOUTH CHAINED TO BARS

JAILER TAKING NO CHANCES WITH JACK WHEELER.

Klamath Falls Officers Hold No Belief That Prisoner Knows of Los Angeles Crime.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—Jack Wheeler, whose true name is Durney, held in the county jail here for robbery, is chained to the bars of his cell. Wheeler became an adept at freeing himself from shackles and handcuffs. He is considered by local officials as a very dangerous character.

That there is little ground to suspect him of guilty knowledge of the dynamiting of the Times building in Los Angeles is now said by the officers. His true name, divulged in a letter to his parents in Oakland, Cal., proves to be Paul E. Durney. Although he is probably about 20 or 21, he has written his father and mother asking them to make affidavit that he is only 18, hoping thereby to escape a term in the penitentiary.

With another young man who gave his name as George Smith, Durney attacked a fellow workman in the railroad camps here, and Durney, after knocking down his victim and stunning him with a bottle, drew a pistol and threatened to shoot if resisted. They then took a check for \$12.55 from Stevens, after which they bound and gagged him and left him, after beating and kicking him, since his incarceration he has made three attempts to break jail and has attacked the officers several times when they went to his cell. He is now chained to the bars to fire a revolver at him and then beat him almost into insensibility before he would desert his wild attack on them with a knife, which he had smuggled into his cell in his shoe.

OIL LANDS NEAR COAL

DEPOSITS IN ALASKA BELIEVED TO BE EXTENSIVE.

Withdrawal Order of President Taft Not Unexpected, Say Seattle Authorities.

SEATTLE, Nov. 5.—President Taft's order withdrawing Alaska oil lands from settlement was not unexpected, being in line with the Administration's policy of restoring all Alaska coal lands to the public domain and letting Congress legislate for their disposal. The oil lands are in or near the coal fields. Gushers were tapped in the Katala coal fields and coal claims now cover the oil land. Clarence Cunningham, who located the famous group of coal claims that figured so prominently in the attacks on Secretary Ballinger, went to Alaska to prospect for oil, and Indians showed him the enormously rich coal areas. The oil deposits of Alaska have not yet been thoroughly prospected, but are believed to be extensive.

In the sandstone and shale beds of the Yukon and Koyukuk Valley, heavy deposits of oil has been noted, but no effort has been made to segregate the land from the Government domain for exploitation.

Lake covered with oil has been discovered within the region about 300 miles north of Kotzebue Sound, and it is believed that good quantities could be found here at a shallow depth.

Several oil claims in Alaska were located prior to 1906, and many locations have been returned since that time. Those are interested in oil lands are holding them under their rights of location and waiting the action of the Government in making a survey to apply for patent.

LIQUOR CAMPAIGN BITTER

Grants Pass "Wets" Say Arrests Are for Political Effect.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—The vigorous campaign against "blind pigs" and "blind alleys" of liquor control, conducted by the Grants, who recently opened a soft drink establishment, and A. R. O'Leary were arrested today. They waived preliminary examination and were bound over in \$50 bail.

It is reported that 10 more are being investigated, making 20 in all, the largest number ever before the grand jury at one time in this county. The "wets" declare that the arrests are made for political effect. The election promises to be bitter.

RAINBOW MINE IS SOLD

Eastern Oregon Property Bonded to Syndicate for \$1,050,000.

WORDS STRIP PROOPS

Treasonable Sentiments on Leaflets Scattered Abroad.

ARMORY WALLS COVERED

Commanding Officer at Vancouver Barracks Will Confer With Federal Attorney in Effort to Arrest Offenders.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—Containing the statement that "No man can fall lower than a soldier" and other treasonable assertions, a little leaflet has been scattered broadcast in Portland, pasted onto buildings, fences and stuck up in saloons and in employment offices, and distributed among the soldiers of this post, by unknown persons. The article on the leaflet is in part as follows: "A good soldier is a blind, heartless, soulless, murderous machine. He is not a man, he is even a brute, for brutes only kill in self-defense. All that is humane in him, all that is divine in him, all that constitutes a man has been sworn away when he took the enlistment oath. His mind, his conscience, his very soul are in the keeping of his officer. "No man can fall lower than a soldier—it is a depth beneath which we cannot go. Young man, don't be a soldier; be a man."

When Colonel George K. McGunnagle, commanding officer of this post, read the article this morning he said: "I cannot condemn in too strong terms such treasonable sentiments as this article expresses. Such treasonable efforts to belittle and disgrace the noble profession of arms, which from time immemorial has been looked upon as a most worthy calling, should be stopped and the offenders dealt with severely by law. Nothing could be said too strong in condemnation of such nefarious sentiments as are contained in this article, which has been circulated among the young men of the country to keep them from joining the Army."

Evidently the ones who circulated this article want to do away with the Army so they can carry out their nefarious schemes. They would upset the Government, if they could." Captain Lacey, First Infantry, now one of the staff of the department, said that W. E. Finzer, Adjutant-General of the State of Oregon, had told him recently that the Army in Portland had been recently notified to shoot any Socialist meeting, and when the meeting was over these notices were found posted on the walls of the Army.

Captain John E. Finzer, Adjutant-General of the department, will take up the matter with John McCourt, District Attorney, of Portland, and learn if something cannot be done to punish the disseminators of such literature.

STEINER FAVORS BRANCH

Superintendent of Asylum for Insane Gives His Views.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon Asylum for the Insane, has the following to say concerning a branch asylum in Eastern Oregon, in the advance sheets of his report which he is now preparing to submit to the board of trustees:

"It is the settled policy of the older states to have hospitals, distributed in the various districts. This plan avoids much expense in transportation and, what is much more important, affords easy access and early treatment to those afflicted."

"Our own state is rather definitely divided into an eastern and western portion, and the natural proper arrangement would be to provide for an institution in that part of the state known as Eastern Oregon. This will be inevitable in time, and the sooner this is realized and acted upon the better. An act passed at the last session of the Legislature, looking to this end, is to be voted upon at the next November election, but it will probably fail from the lack of understanding of the situation by the public."

"In this case additional buildings must be provided for at this institution. Our beds are now crowded and, at the least calculation, there will be a net increase of 300 in the institution in the next two years."

"WHITE SLAVE" CASE FAILS

Federal Court Has No Jurisdiction, but Re-arrest Follows.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—Philip Lavole, who has been a defendant on a charge of "white slavery" for the past two days, today was given his freedom for a minute Friday when Judge George Dunworth ruled that the statute under the indictment was returned was unconstitutional. He was rearrested, however, before he could leave the courtroom on a like charge brought by the San Francisco authorities and was held to answer in that jurisdiction.

From the start of the proceedings against Lavole it had been believed that his conviction was unconstitutional. It can be proven that the acts were part of an illegal importation. As it was shown that Lavole had nothing to do with bringing the woman to this country, he was released.

PURE FOOD LAW ENFORCED

Fifteen Dealers in Jackson and Josephine Counties Are Fined.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—The pure food law designed to protect the consumer is being enforced in the First Judicial District, comprising Jackson and Josephine counties. Fifteen indictments have been returned against dealers, and all have pleaded guilty, paying fines ranging from \$5 upward.

The principal offenses were adulterating lard with tallow, using a preservative for meats and giving short weight in butter products.

Goldbek Claims Speed.

ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—The German bark Goldbek arrived today, 39 days from Santa Rosalia, in ballast. This is considered a fast voyage, as the vessel was 14 days in the Gulf and 23 days in getting out of sight of land. Captain Otto Katseloch, her master, reports that October 21, Peter Wauzinek, an able seaman, fell down a hatchway from the main deck to the lower hold and broke his neck, death resulting almost instantly. He was a native of Germany,

20 years of age, and joined the vessel shortly before she sailed from Hamburg for Santa Rosalia. The Goldbek arrived off the mouth of the river Thursday night, but was compelled to put out shore on account of the thick weather. She stood in this morning, when she was towed inside.

STATE HAS 121,611 VOTERS

Registration Count Shows 81,876 Republicans, 26,199 Democrats.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 5.—The registration of voters in the state by counties, as filed with the Secretary of State, shows a total of 81,876 Republicans, 26,199 Democrats, and 13,586 Socialist, Prohibition and independent voters. The list by counties for the two principal parties follows:

County	Rep.	Dem.
Baker	1887	1460
Benton	238	559
Clatsop	1124	1121
Clatsop	1832	386
Columbia	1420	277
Clatsop	1021	178
Cook	1209	540
Curry	2290	1130
Douglas	422	341
Gilliam	497	290
Grant	447	204
Haney	447	312
Hood River	959	205
Jackson	1322	424
Klamath	1191	452
Klamath	1150	440
Lake	925	280
Lane	3670	1580
Lincoln	713	171
Linn	1239	1487
Malheur	909	155
Marion	444	1002
Marion	923	219
Washington	8043	5820
Washington	1458	171
Union	449	142
Tillamook	303	983
Wasco	2883	2082
Wallowa	1845	108
Wallowa	1068	402
Wasco	1579	489
Washington	2163	512
Wheeler	344	132
Yamhill	1824	740
Total	81,876	26,199

KLINGENBERG MUST SERVE

Murderer Will Never Write Mother After Entering Prison.

MONTEBANO, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—John Klingenberg must serve a sentence from 10 to 25 years in the State Penitentiary for the murder of Charles Hadberg, whom he killed at the behest of William Gohl, who is serving a life sentence for the same crime.

Klingenberg hoped for a new trial and had it been given him, he might have escaped with a much lighter sentence, but his hopes were shattered today when he received word from Andrew Furuseth, head of the Sailors' Union at San Francisco, that the union would take no hand in his case, not even to giving him enough money to have a transcript made of the evidence.

Klingenberg says when he enters the penitentiary he will never again write to his aged mother in Copenhagen. He is preparing his farewell letter to her now.

Ashland Reservoir Plans Ready.

ASHLAND, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—City Engineer Roberts, of Ashland, has completed plans for the new water system and has submitted them to the City Council. The specifications call for reconstruction of the present water system, and an extension to the new addition recently annexed to the city and two large reservoirs will be installed. The estimated cost of construction is \$160,000. The bonds for this new water system were disposed of some time ago to an Eastern bonding house.

Route Does Not Touch Lakeview.

LAKEVIEW, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—The Oregon Trunk Railway's declaration of right of way filed in the Federal land office covers a distance of 28 miles between the town of Riley and the Pauline Mountains, on the proposed route between Burns and Bend, and passes through the northeast end of Lake County. It will not touch Lakeview.

Suicide Well Known in Dayton.

DAYTON, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—J. A. Kellogg, pioneer business man, ex-Mayor of Dayton, ex-Auditor of Colum-

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his County and State Representative from this district, who committed suicide in Seattle yesterday, was about 66 years old. He came to Dayton in early days, opened a real estate office and accumulated a fortune. He later served the Republicans in two important offices and left here 15 years ago. It is thought here that business reverses were the cause of his act. The burial was in Seattle.

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