

CONDEMNED MEN AWAIT FRIDAY FATE

One Jest as He Faces Eternity, Another Denounces, Third Says He Is Calm.

GARRISON IS REAL JOKER

Roberts Is Sullen, Then Rants on Various Subjects, All Interspersed With Either Real or Feigned Symptoms of Insanity.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—With one jesting in the face of eternity, another alternating between prophecies of Scripture and violent denunciation while pacing the narrow confines of his death chamber, a third calmly consulting with his lawyer and preparing an affidavit stating that he can meet life or death with equal calmness and the other two sullenly denying themselves to all from the outside world except spiritual advisers, the five condemned men at the State Penitentiary who are scheduled to cross the divide next Friday presented varying aspects to newspaper men today who were admitted in groups to interview them.

Practically the whole gamut of emotions was displayed by these men. While H. E. (Jack) Roberts alternated between the sullenness of the criminal, the moroseness of the beast and the rantings of a religious fanatic, all interspersed with either feigned symptoms of insanity, Frank S. Garrison joked and laughed with his inquisitors, protested his innocence and poured forth such a torrent that he had to be restrained lest he talk throughout the day.

Garrison offered the proud boast that in his early days he had been the "classmate, schoolmate and seatmate" of Mayor Rushlight, of Portland. "Yes, he and I were boys together," declared Garrison. "We used to go to the old No. 2 school—I think they call it the Kiernan school now."

Trio Favor Death Penalty.
The three men who were interviewed—Roberts, Garrison and Taylor—all seemed to favor capital punishment. The other two men—Noble Faulder and Mike Morgan—kept to their cells and refused to be interviewed.

Roberts believes in the approach of the millennium and quotes Scripture from the book of Daniel to back his assertions. To him, he declares, a commutation of sentence would mean an opportunity to be present at the grand (final) coming of the Messiah, and for that reason he declares he would like to have his sentence commuted.

"But if I have to go where people expect I will go it will be to shovel brimstone for Curtis, ex-superintendent of this place; Warden Bengen and Captain Guard Fisher. I will do some shoveling in their cases, too," was his parting shot.

Roberts is sentenced to die for the murder of Donald Stewart and George Hastings in Multnomah County.

Garrison Asserts Innocence.
Garrison declares absolutely that he is innocent of the crime of killing Roy Perkins in Coos County.

"I was convicted by perjured testimony," he says. "Ex-Marshal Carter, of Marshfield, killed Perkins. I am satisfied of that from evidence which I have obtained. He secured a confession from me under duress and at the point of a pistol. I know that Perkins was alive 24 hours after it was claimed he was killed."

Laughing and joking, Garrison presented a picture of anything but a man whose death is only six days away.

Only once did he flinch. "Well," said Chaplain Bauer, "I know that if you have to go you will be well prepared, Mr. Garrison."

Convict Grows Pale.
At that remark Garrison gazed with a glassy stare at Bauer and became ashen pale. His hands clenched tightly about his chin and his face contracted nervously and spasmodically. He apparently, the full horror of the gallows and his impending doom was brought home to him, and it required several seconds before he could regain his composure. Then he laughed good-naturedly.

Garrison has been an inmate of the Oregon Penitentiary on five previous occasions.

"Twice I should have served my term," he said. "Three times I was legally guilty, but I know that I was morally right."

John M. Taylor, who killed A. H. Perry in Harney County, is a mild-tempered, mild-appearing man, apparently a typical stock and range man. He would say but a few words.

He declared that his conscience was clear, that the killing which he was responsible for was not a deliberate, cold-blooded deed, and that he would be willing to face eternal consequences with the knowledge that the law had erred, and that should he be commuted to a life sentence he would be satisfied that the law had not dealt unjustly with him.

Taylor Prepares Affidavit.
During much of the afternoon Taylor was closeted with J. K. Weatherford, an attorney, of Albany, preparing an affidavit probably for submission to the Governor.

At the same time Roberts was closeted with the Rev. Mr. Faulkenburg, an Adventist minister. Roberts is firmly convinced that the war in the Balkans and recent developments mean the rapid approach of the end of the present regime of this earth.

Mike Morgan and Noble Faulder have been reticent and retired as to their crimes ever since being placed in the prison. Faulder has declared himself to Chaplain Bauer as "a rough guy."

He says he had but two years of schooling, that he was compelled to join the church at an early age, that he was six years before the mast and that he had had but two delinquent acts, "work and whisky."

Morgan, who killed John York in Josephine County, is almost as reticent as Faulder, although Faulder refuses to give any definite statement as to his antecedents.

Taylor Has One Hope.
Taylor's one hope is that his mother, who is aged and feeble and in ill health in California, will never know of his plight. He declares she knows nothing of it now and that he "would rather die ten deaths than that mother should know where I am now."

Faulder and Morgan are the only two who lay their crimes at the door of "booze." Morgan, in a drunken frenzy, Faulder, in a whisky-saturated life, see their downfall in liquor. Garrison declares that he never drank and has smoked but little.

Today was the first time in years that an iron-clad rule of the prison not to allow interviews with condemned was ever stopped.

Roberts was in a rather violent mood today. He fluctuated in emotion from the rantings of caged tiger cat to the denouncing avenger, the half-crazed imbecile and the eleventh-hour penitent.

It is probable that today will be the

last opportunity given the condemned men to see visitors or express their views to the public until they mount the scaffold to make their final public appearance.

Some wagers are being placed here that none of the men will hang, others that all of them will not hang, others that two will be commuted and still others that there will be but one commuted. Some bets have been made at long odds that all of the men will not hang.

A small disturbance occurred at the prison today when a convicted man was instructed to manufacture some springs to be used in connection with the springing of the trap next Friday. The convict rebelled and declared he would go to the dungeon before he would make the springs. Persuasion

POLK COUNTY WOMAN IS POULTRY EXPERT.



DALLAS, Ore., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Mrs. Winnie Braden, secretary of the Polk County Poultry Association, is known throughout the state as a breeder of fancy poultry. Owing to her efforts, the Polk County Poultry Association has become one of the best of its kind in the state. She has given much of her time to the association and has been the moving spirit in two successful poultry shows.

The annual poultry show will be held in this city during the middle of December, and the arrangements for the same have been largely in the hands of Mrs. Braden. Mrs. Braden is one of the few women in this city who take an active interest in public affairs. She is an ardent member of the Dallas Commercial Club and attends regularly.

Finally resulted in his undertaking the task.

SPELLING BEE PLANNED

EAST VANCOUVER ORGANIZATION IS ACTIVE.

Civic Improvement, Law Enforcement and School Betterment Aims of Clark County Association.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—A regular old-fashioned spelling bee is to be held in the Harney schoolhouse by the Civic Improvement League of East Vancouver, which was organized in that part of the city eight months ago. Sides will be chosen by captains and the winners suitably rewarded.

Moving pictures were shown in a Vancouver school house for the first time Wednesday night, by the League. They were part of a programme which included musical numbers and other forms of literary effort.

The object of this organization is to foster civic improvement, encourage enforcement of the law, co-operate with the public schools for their betterment, provide mutual entertainment and intellectual obedience to the law. It speaks through the organization President Mumford said: "Organically we are not related to any other league, but sociologically we are related to every movement made for civic betterment. We shall be careful not to oppose any religious movement or other work carried on for the public good."

The officers of the League, elected Wednesday night, are: President, E. M. Mumford; first vice-president, B. W. Bayley; second vice-president, N. L. G. Gillis; secretary, C. A. G. Gillis; treasurer, Mrs. Will Durgan; sergeant-at-arms, G. S. Gillis; assistant, Ray Woods; local improvement committee, Mrs. A. W. Gilman; Mrs. T. A. Cate and Mrs. G. S. Gillis. The programme committee is Professor E. A. Berry, T. A. Tate and D. E. Lunford.

The League is desirous of entering into communication with similar organizations in the Northwest.

CYRUS H. WALKER ACTIVE

Oldest Living White Child Born West of Rockies Is 74 Now.

ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Pastor of the day writing letters in behalf of increased pensions for Indian War Veterans, Cyrus Hamlin Walker, the oldest living white child born west of the Rocky Mountains, celebrated his 74th birthday today.

Mr. Walker was born December 7, 1838, at the Whitman Mission, near Walla Walla, Wash., his father, Rev. Ekanah Walker, being a missionary to the Indians. He came to this state when young and has lived in Oregon all his life. Mr. Walker is hale and hearty and gives indications of celebrating many more birthdays.

He is now serving his second term as grand commander of the Indian War Veterans of the North Pacific Coast. He is also serving his second term as chaplain of the Oregon State Grange and has been chaplain of Grand Prairie Grange, near this city, most of the time for the past 15 years. He has the record of having organized 43 new Granges in Oregon. Most of these were formed in the past few years. During the past 12 months he has instituted seven new Granges.

BANDON WOMEN PLAN CLUB

Article From The Morning Oregonian Enthusias Fair Folk.

BANDON, Ore., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—At a well-attended meeting of the women of Bandon was decided to form a women's auxiliary to the Bandon Commercial Club. Mrs. L. P. Sorenson read to the meeting an article from The Oregonian on commercial clubs for women, which read much to enthrall those present.

A box factory is being built near here by George Gelsendorfer. The bulk of the boxes will be spruce. All modern machinery is being installed and the factory will be one of the most up-to-date on the Coast.

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Home Desks
In waxed golden oak, in fumed oak, in Circassian walnut, in birdseye maple and in mahogany. Some of their prices: \$11, \$15, \$18, \$20, \$22.50, \$25, \$27.50, \$30, \$32.50, \$35.00, \$40.00 and up.

Arm Chairs and Rockers
Designs that will impress you as being different from the ordinary. Even as low as \$15 are some of solid mahogany. Others at \$18.50, \$22.50, \$27.50, \$35, \$40 and up. Overstuffed Chairs, upholstered in denim, as low as \$25.

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A splendid showing of them, in the fumed oak, the waxed golden and mahogany. Priced at \$17.50, \$20, \$22, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$45, \$55 and up.

Sewing Tables
Most of them of mahogany. A few in golden oak and walnut. \$18, \$22.50, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40 and up.

Umbrella Stands
In solid mahogany, as low as \$12, and at \$18, \$20, \$25 and \$30.

Nests of Tables
Of solid mahogany and English oak. At \$22.50, \$25, \$30 and \$35.

Smoking Stands
Solid mahogany, most of them, with brass ash trays and match holders, at \$7.50, \$8, \$9 and \$12.

Portable Lamps
Artistic lighting pieces in candelabra and other designs, wired complete and ready for attaching. Solid mahogany. At \$15, \$18, \$22, \$30 and up.

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\$23.50 for this Colonial Desk in mahogany. With 1 drawer..... \$18.50 With 4 drawers..... \$30.00

This Umbrella Stand, of solid mahogany, \$15

Colonial Arm Rocker, with wind back and solid mahogany frame..... \$30

\$12 for this Solid Mahogany Smoking Cabinet.

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CHILDREN TO CONTEST

POULTRY COMPETITION IS TO TAKE PLACE IN 1913.

Youngsters Wishing to Compete in Raising of Chickens Should Act Before February 1.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The following statement has been issued by the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction: "William F. Kaplinger, of Salem, the sponsor of the famous Kaplinger potato race for school children last Spring, again is showing his interest in the industrial work of the public schools and his genius as an advertiser. Last Spring he offered more than 300 of the finest seed potatoes to as many school children who made application for them. The purpose of the contest was to see who could raise the best and the most potatoes from the one potato allowed each competitor. The result was the best display of potatoes ever seen at the fair, with the first prize awarded to Eugene Dumont for 12 boxes, all raised from the one potato."

"Now Mr. Kaplinger is offering settings of eggs to the boys and girls who will enter the poultry contest for 1913. The boys and girls this coming year are to raise enough eggs and chickens to pay for the public schools. Mr. Kaplinger offers five settings of Light Brahms eggs, free of charge. The conditions are these: All wishing to take advantage of this offer must send their names to W. F. Kaplinger, Salem, before February 1. On that date

FRUIT MEN BANQUET SOON

Milton Growers' Union to Dine at Walla Walla December 19.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—A. W. Simmons, of the Milton Fruit Growers' Union, was in Walla Walla yesterday arranging for the annual banquet of the fruit growers at the Milton Odd Fellows Hall, December 19. L. M. Brown, secretary of the Walla Walla Commercial Club, will give a talk illustrated with motion pictures of the valley.

The banquet is an annual affair. The business session of the union is held after the first of the year.

Mr. Simmons stated that practically all of the fruit is out of the lower end of the valley. There are a few cars of Ben Davis yet in the warehouse awaiting sale, but the rest have been sold. While the fruit brought low prices in most instances, Mr. Simmons said the Union fared better than many other associations in the Northwest.

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KINFOLK PROVIDE FEAST

GLENWOOD COUPLE OBSERVE GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Zimmerman Celebrate Day With Children and Grandchildren.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—An innovation at a golden wedding celebration at Glenwood was instituted Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. G. Zimmerman, surrounded by nearly half a hundred of their descendants, celebrated the day of their marriage, just half a century before. Their sons provided the feast, their daughters cooked it, their granddaughters served it and their great granddaughters and those not needed in preparing the sumptuous banquet, ate it. Two tables were served, 15 at the first and 19 at the second one. All of their children were present but two "I did not think 50 years ago that I would ever have such foolish children to spend their money for such luxury," said Mr. Zimmerman, when he and his wife were showered with many beautiful and costly gifts from their children and grandchildren.

The venerable old couple are in good health and in comfortable circumstances on their "Leaning Oaks" farm in the heart of Glenwood Valley, where they located in 1872. Their first home was a log cabin. They left their relatives and friends in Iowa, November 22, 1871, going by rail to San Francisco and by boat to Fort Vancouver. The

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