

SLAYER OF FARMER TAKEN IN CABIN

Clarence Bettes, Assassin of Ralph Brown, Sends for Sheriff and Confesses.

CRIME IS LAID TO DRINK

Prisoner Admits Employer He Killed Always Had Treated Him Well. Captive and Body of Victim Are on Same Train.

THE DALLAS, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Clarence Bettes, slayer of Ralph Brown, arrived at The Dalles this afternoon on the same train which carried the body of his victim. Brown was killed as he was returning to his home near Kaskela with his wife New Year's morning, his assailant firing from inside the Brown home, the bullets going through a screen door. Bettis is 21 years old and was employed by Brown. He will be arraigned here Monday for first-degree murder. The authorities say Bettis is sane and express belief that the ranch hand, after drinking heavily, thought he was a "bad man" and killed Brown.

Bettes surrendered to Sheriff Chrisman at 5:45 o'clock this morning, the Sheriff entering the cabin where Bettis had taken refuge, after the slayer had sent a message that he would surrender if the Sheriff would come for him alone.

Mrs. Brown was fired on by Bettis after her husband fell dead. She threw her coat over the body of her husband and ran for help, through a pouring rain to the nearest neighbor, three and one-half miles away. She stopped once in the long run to take off her outer skirt, so that she could run faster.

Bettes first explained the shooting by saying he had a grudge against Brown. Later he told Sheriff Chrisman he had nothing against his employer, saying the Brown had always treated him well. Just before the train reached The Dalles today, Bettis, who had previously displayed indifference, said to Deputy Sheriff Thompson: "I'd willingly give my own life if I could bring back to life the man I killed."

Bettes says he is of Scotch descent, but appears to be either a Mexican or Spaniard. He refused to tell where his parents live.

Ralph Brown was 28 years old. He was graduated from the University of Oregon. About 12 years ago he and Miss Edith Percival, a Willamette Valley girl, and a graduate of Monmouth Normal School were married. There are no children.

That Clarence Bettis, and not Clarence Bettes, is the slayer of W. W. Brown, was information received from Clarence Bettis, a farmer living near Kaskela, by his brother in Portland yesterday. Mr. Bettis said his brother had been embarrassed by the mixture of names. Last night's dispatches, however, continued to give the name of Bettis.

Salem, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Ralph Brown, who was killed by an assassin on Friday at his farm near Kaskela, was a son of Willis D. Brown, formerly engaged in the cattle business in this county. The elder Brown formerly was a partner of Jasper Mintz.

KAISER'S ABODE SECRET

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even a remote reference to the place where the reunion was celebrated.

Although a correspondent living at great headquarters little about plans or movements—nothing, indeed, that is not given out by official bulletins to the whole empire—no one who finds it the most fascinating place in Europe today, because it epitomizes the German passion for system and the German genius for bringing order out of chaos.

Sven Hedlin says that of all these workmen, the Emperor keeps the longest hours. German bakers are baking, and a large part of their daily output goes to feed the destitute French in the town. German bridgebuilders are building bridges of wood to take the place of the stone structures destroyed by the French when they fell back from this place.

The German engineers took one grieved the railway tunnel which the French had blown up and decided that it would be quicker to dig it out from the top instead of from each end. Since then the tunnel has been from the summit of the considerable hill which the original tunnel penetrated, and that work has been done in a series of excavations and trenches designed to prevent the caving in of the new walls.

It is worth noting that this feat in engineering is being accomplished at a point which is within range of the artillery operating against the French forces around Rheims.

Prefecture Is Busy Place.
The prefecture, where the Minister of War, the general staff and scores of secretaries, clerks and stenographers from Berlin are housed, is pulsing with the business of an empire in a life-and-death struggle, and yet it is as quiet as a church.

Everything which could possibly provoke inquiry is either listed or placarded. As the automobile glides over the new bridges you see freshly painted signs reading: "Nacht Sedan," "Nacht Recrot," "Nacht Meubenge," the words always underscored by black arrows.

SOME PRIZE EXHIBITS AT THIS WEEK'S POMERANIAN SHOW IN NEW YORK.



TOP—MISS ELLEN P. LOPLIN, BELO W (LEFT)—MRS. R. E. KNIGHT; (RIGHT)—MRS. JAMES R. ROSSMAN.

LITTLE DOGS SEEN

Toy Spaniel Aristocrats Have Their Day in New York.

NEW CHAMPIONS ARE MADE

Pomeranians Make Particularly Good Showing—Tiny Poodles That Look Like French Lamb Chops Are Feature of Show.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Toy Spaniel Club's annual show at the Waldorf-Astoria this week was marked by the benching of more dogs than ever before in its history. The competition in the classes where there were more than one or two entries was of the keenest kind, with the result that many old champions lost their laurels, and others captured their crowns.

The judges on the whole appeared to be generally satisfactory to the competitors, although here and there a complaint was overheard of an official. "His Majesty," the Emperor, is now in the eastern theater of war.

But it happens that today the Emperor is in residence at the grand hotel where he has established himself in the most commodious house in town and is surrounded by well-kept lawns, green lawns, steps and elaborate brick work. It recalls the kind of house that "the richest man in our town" used to build in the thriving cities of the Middle West.

On the opposite side of the street is a narrow strip of park a quarter of a mile long. It contains a statue or two and a pavilion where a French regimental band gave concerts in the summer time. Now German sentries are stationed there.

Officers Dine at Plaza.
On the other side of this park is the paved plaza of the railway buildings. The plaza is nearly deserted, the meal, however, the plaza will be livelier, for officers will be entering and leaving the big dining room marked "Reserved for officers."

Children of the poorer people have timed these comings and goings accurately, and, as the officers depart, they beg from them with the engaging insolence that is their national inheritance. Many of them are pretty, and they would be charming except that nearly all of them have the sniffles—and don't care who knows it. They have learned one German word—the word "pfennig." It is all they need, and hearing it, the spurred and booted officers dig down into their pockets and bring out two or three 12-pennig pieces. The children cry "Merci, monsieur," sniff and scamper away.

I never knew their appeals to fall of a response but once. That was when a stern little Major of the general staff said: "The German army is giving thousands of pounds of bread and other provisions to the poor of this town every day, and I know there is no excuse for this begging by the children. I hate begging."

The officer with him laughed, and said: "Major, you are right"—and reached into his pocket for pfennigs.

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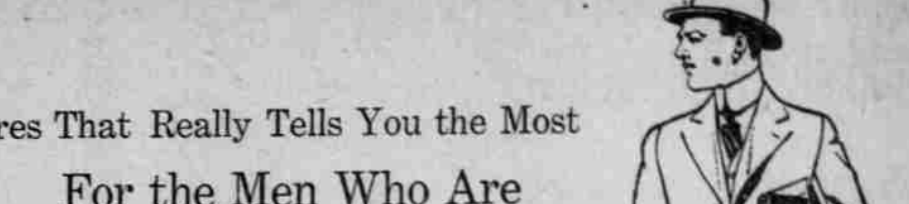
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STATE ECONOMY URGED

WASHINGTON AUDITOR SUGGESTS SERIES OF CHANGES

With Broadened Functions and Loss of Liquor Revenue, Reduced Cost or Heavier Tax Is Imperative.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Broadened functions of the State of Washington, accompanied by a decrease in liquor license revenue through the passage of the prohibition law, will necessitate either curtailment of state expenses or increase of the direct revenues, or both, State Auditor Clausen announces in his biennial report, just issued.

In the attempt to solve this problem Mr. Clausen recommends to the legislature the following proposals:
"To limit the expenditures of all examining and inspection boards to their receipts."
"To require maintenance cost of inmates of state charitable institutions to be paid from estates of those owning property or having relatives able to pay; also reciprocal arrangements for return to their native states of non-residents in mental hospitals."
"To reduce the cost of other state institutions to that of other states, Mr. Clausen says."

Provision for a department, preferably the Board of Control, to make purchases for all departments of the state, as is now done in other states, and to act as custodian of all the state's property.
"Provision for tax on coal mined, on a tonnage basis, sufficient to pay cost of inspection."
"Mr. Clausen also recommends repeal of the law providing for payment of bounties on wild animal skins, hunting and other licenses, he says, are palming off coyote hides, on which the bounty is only \$1.50, for wolf pelts, on which a bounty of \$15 is fixed."

GERMAN FRAUD ALLEGED

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in the countries belligerent to Germany.

District Attorney Marshall, in a statement issued tonight, said that in view of this danger, now emphasized by today's arrest, the State Department had established a system by which, if any American passport is exposed to question, "the nearest diplomatic or consular officer of this Government, on request, send a cable reporting the essential facts in the case, which the State Department will investigate and cause verification or disavowal of the passport involved to be cabled promptly to the officer who inaugurated the inquiry."

Few Frauds Disclosed.
Mr. Marshall added that thorough investigation had disclosed the fact that few United States passports had been fraudulently obtained.

Ruroede has been under surveillance by secret agents of the Department of State for about six weeks. He left his employment with the firm of Oelrichs & Co., agents for the North German Lloyd Line, and established an office in the downtown district. The detectives learned, it was said, that he was in communication with German reservists in all parts of the country, while he received many of them every day at his office. Large numbers of them were furnished by Ruroede with Swiss and Roumanian passports, it is alleged, but American passports were considered far more desirable, if they could be secured.

To obtain these, it is charged, Ruroede employed naturalized Germans to apply for passports, paying them from \$25 to \$50 apiece for their services, if necessary. Once certified by the clerk of the United States District Court, the passports were sent to Washington for signature by Secretary Bryan and the seal of the State Department, and, on being returned, were given to the reservists.

When the tiny white toy French poodles came before the judges there was a general exclamation of "Oh, look at the dear little things."
With their hind quarters clipped clean, except for a few spots where small "pomps" had been left, after the most approved style, they resembled half plucked chickens more than dogs, or as one irrelevant spectator observed, "They look like French lamb chops." After a great deal of deliberation the judges awarded the blue to champion Sweetshire of Dyker.

CIGARETTE DEALS DEATH

Cleveland Police Have New Theory for Fire Which Suffocates Priest.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 2.—A lighted cigarette dropped on a stairway may have been responsible for the fire which brought death by suffocation to Rev. Stephen Makar, pastor of St. John's Greek Catholic Church and burned to death his housekeeper, Mrs. Anna Fegio, early today. This theory was advanced tonight by the police.

BRICK BRINGS DIAMONDS

YOUTH OF 17, WITH GEMS WORTH THOUSANDS, CAUGHT.

Unable to Find Work Is Pica of Chicago Boy for Theft From Dallas, Texas, Jewelry Store.

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2.—Hurling a brick wrapped in paper through a show window of a jewelry store in the downtown section here late today, a boy snatched a tray of valuable diamonds and ran. James Williams, 17 years old, was arrested after a chase of several blocks, in which scores of persons joined. An unset solitary diamond, valued at \$10,000, among the jewels believed taken, still is missing.

The boy told the police that he was from Chicago and had been here three weeks, unable to find work. A search of his person failed to disclose any of the jewelry. Police believe Williams swallowed the valuable diamonds. The robbery took place when the streets were thronged with a Saturday crowd.

YAMHILL FARMER BURIED

Peter Christian Thomsen Leaves Widow and Four Children.

MINNIVILLE, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Peter Christian Thomsen, who was buried here today, was one of the leading farmers of this county and for many years a resident of Carlton. He died December 31, aged 76.

He came to this county 42 years ago. For many years he farmed part of the Ladd holdings west of Carlton and became the owner of a magnificent farm one and a half miles north of Carlton. He also was the superintendent of the well-known Broadmeads Farm, in the southern part of this county.

Mr. Thomsen was born in Denmark in 1838 and served in the army of his native land in the war with Prussia in 1864.

Mr. Thomsen is survived by his widow, two sons and two daughters.

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TWO STORES

Man Who Faked Suicide Arrested.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—T. H. Grindrod, who faked suicide at North Bend recently, was arrested and placed in jail by Sheriff W. W. Gage and Deputy Clyde Gage yesterday. Grindrod was taken at Fairview, 20 miles on the road to Roseburg. The prisoner is held to the grand jury on a charge of theft.

Trugney has ordered fire brigades for all principal cities.

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