

NO LIGHT SHED ON SALEM MURDER

Slayer of Mrs. J. R. Hinkle Still Eludes Officers and Inquest Gives No Aid.

PORTLAND NAPKIN PUZZLES

Sheriff Advances Theory That Frenzy of Assault Indicates Drug User or Maniac-Strive Wood Believed to Be Weapon.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Identity of the slayer of Mrs. J. R. Hinkle, the aged woman who was found last night on the kitchen floor of her own home, her skull crushed from repeated blows of a club or hatchet, remained unaltered today.

Although the police and Sheriff's office are investigating the case from every angle, not a single definite clue so far has been developed to shed light on the case. That robbery was the prime motive seems apparent as the house was ransacked and \$10 in money and a gold watch taken.

Corner Clough held an inquest this afternoon. District Attorney Hings assisted in questioning witnesses, who could throw little additional light on the murder.

The jury's verdict was that Mrs. Hinkle "came to her death on February 4, 1916, by blows and about her head with some blunt instrument by some party unknown to us, inflicting the wounds that caused her death."

Stoverwood Thought Weapon

The exact time when the murder was committed is not known. The coroner's inquest tended to show that the crime was committed between the hours of 8:30 P. M. and 9:30 P. M. Neighbors summoned as witnesses declared they heard no other sound than the alarm last night.

The authorities are puzzled to determine what weapon the murderer used in killing his feeble victim. A thorough search of the house and premises so far has revealed none. Mrs. Hinkle was struck five times over the head.

The suggestion is made that the murderer beat Mrs. Hinkle over the head with a stick of stoverwood and afterward burned it in the kitchen stove. A fire was burning in the stove, according to Mrs. Hinkle, the husband, who discovered the crime on his return from "downtown" and the Southern Pacific depot. When the police arrived last night the fire was out.

Money Kept in House

For years it had been the custom of Mrs. Hinkle to keep large amounts of money in the house. This fact was generally known in the neighborhood. Hubbard, the Hinkles' former home, it is said.

The slayer undoubtedly found his victim in the kitchen, where she was seated at the above of evenings. When the body was discovered, it was lying face downward on the kitchen window sill, and on a shelf beneath the window.

Napkin May Have Been Mask

Possibility that the slayer wore a mask, which was considered by the police, who believe that when the robber saw he was recognized, he killed her to prevent his detection.

The authorities are puzzled over finding on the kitchen floor last night a napkin bearing the lettering of the Portland Hotel. Mr. Hinkle said he does not remember ever having seen it before and it is believed that this napkin may furnish a clue to the murderer's identity.

Bedroom in Ransacked

Inquiry among residents near the Hinkle home today developed the fact that Ira Swanson, who works in a garage across the street from the Hinkles, heard some one scream about 7:30 P. M. Swanson, however, was unable to say from which direction the sound came.

A peculiar feature of the crime is that though supposedly the robber entered the house through the laundry, the door leading from the bedroom to the hallway was found locked. It is possible, officers say, that after killing Mrs. Hinkle the slayer robbed the bedroom, locked the door behind him and entered by way of the laundry.

Funeral to Be Tomorrow

George Clark, a burglar, who escaped from the Oregon Penitentiary about two weeks ago, also is being sought. The funeral of Mrs. Hinkle will be held Monday, it was announced today. The slain woman was born in 1826 on the old donation land claim of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thomas, about four miles east of Silverton. Her parents crossed the plains to Oregon in 1847. There were 18 children in the Thomas family, seven brothers survive the murdered woman.

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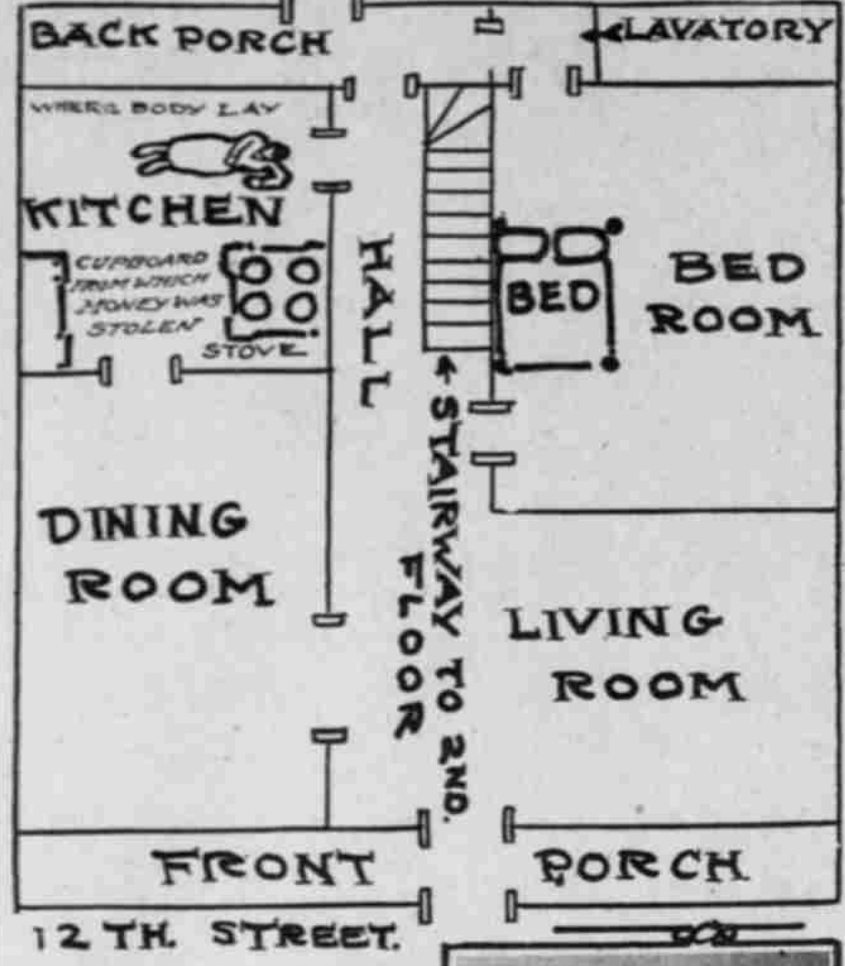
ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Piling a counter complaint to the effect that his rest was disturbed by the snoring of his neighbor, Joseph Kunstat, today appeared in the Police Court here and protested against his arrest on a charge of hammering on the partition separating his quarters from those occupied by W. H. Clark.

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SALEM MURDER VICTIM AND DIAGRAM SHOWING SCENE OF CRIME



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The County Court members have not taken the grange resolutions seriously. The highway will be opened in the Spring for early automobile traffic.

In fact the Columbia River Highway, the only road in the Hood River district along the Columbia gorge, and from the assessments levied against the Union Company, funds will be available for all necessary improvement. While the recent storm has caused additional slides, up to last week E. W. Carr, road supervisor, said that not more than \$500 would be needed to clear his portion of the highway.

IDAHO MAN IS SELECTED

STATE SENATOR DAY TO NEGOTIATE FOR BUILDING OF RAILWAY.

Eastern Capitalists Declared Prepared to Finance North and South Line Through State.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—State Senator Jerome J. Day, of Moscow, has been selected as Idaho's representative at Chicago to consult with the engineers of the proposed line through the North and South Railroad.

It is announced that Senator Day and Aaron Parker, of Grangeville, both members of the North and South Railroad Commission, would be asked to make the Chicago trip in response to urgent telegrams from the engineer who made an inspection of the route last summer for capitalists of Eastern states. He announced in his telegram that if the state could send a representative to Chicago he was prepared to sign a contract for the building of the railroad. A second telegram dated January 27 said: "Please wire Friday when representatives will arrive here. Also have brought all available data and information, without delaying, however, on that account."

INDIAN PASTORS DEFY SNOW

Interest High at Umatilla Revival Meetings Despite Storm.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Despite three feet of snow, five Indian ministers from Idaho and a number of Indians from the Nez Perce, Idaho, Indian Reservation, are gathered at the Umatilla Indian Mission on the Umatilla Indian Reservation to conduct a series of revival services.

The cold is no damper whatever to the interest and enthusiasm, for most of the Indians have constructed dwellings at the church and are living in them during the services. The ministers in charge of the services are: Rev. William Wheeler, Absaroka, Idaho; Rev. Moses Montell, Kamiah, Idaho; Rev. James Hayes, Kamiah, Idaho; Rev. J. G. Dickson, Stites, Idaho; and Rev. E. J. Conner, Lewistown, Idaho.

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CORVALLIS MAN APPOINTED

Charles J. Williamson Goes to High School Staff at Salem.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Charles J. Williamson, a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College with the class of 1915, was appointed this week to a position on the instructional staff of the Salem High School. He was graduated from the school of commerce and will teach business courses.

As an undergraduate student, Williamson was prominent in student affairs. Since graduation he has been employed in the college co-operative bookstore. He is a member of the Alpha Kappa Psi, a National honorary commercial fraternity.

O. A. C. Has Examination

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Students at the Oregon Agricultural College are in the midst of the first semester examination, which began yesterday.

The first semester will close Wednesday night and the second semester will begin February 1. Final registration statistics for the semester show that 1760 entered since September 15. As usual, the Gresham class outnumbered any one of the upper classes, having 388 members. There are 233 sophomores and 251 seniors. The junior class has only 185 members.

PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN OF LINN IS LAID TO REST

Samuel May.

In the death of Samuel May, of Portland, at his home, 115 Eighteenth street North, January 27, there passed away one of the well-known residents of Portland, and one of the prominent business men of Linn County, where at Harriehburg for years from 1858 he was a factor in the business and civic life.

The funeral was held January 29, Rabbi Jonas K. Wise officiating. The burial was at the Jewish cemetery.

Mr. May was born in Nurnburg, Bavaria, January 2, 1841, and received his education there. There were nine children. Those still living are: Mrs. Amelia Hoffertson, Pauline, Nora, Barney, Edith, Amy, Mrs. Ellen Rosenfeld, Mrs. Edna Cohen and Anita May. Mrs. May died eight years ago.

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ORPHEUM TO MOVE AND BOLT LATER

M. Meyerfeld, Jr., Confirms Report of Impending Change of Location.

NEW CIRCUIT COMING IN

Ackerman & Harris, of San Francisco, to Establish House of Their Chain in Quarters Now Occupied by Orpheum.

ORPHEUM TO BUILD NEW THEATER

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—That the Portland Orpheum theater, which has been in operation either in the house it now occupies or in another not yet touched by fire, will be replaced by a new theater, the Orpheum, to be built on the site of the present Orpheum, was confirmed today by M. Meyerfeld, Jr. Thereafter, he said, the Orpheum would erect a new theater in Portland, a duplicate of the Kansas City Orpheum, completed recently at a cost of \$125,000.

The Orpheum is not exercising its option on the present Portland theater, said Meyerfeld, because the building is not suited to its purposes. Four more weeks after, he said, it would be simple to move into another building temporarily to elapse the season, which ends about the middle of April.

REPUBLICANS TO HONOR

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Bert Anderson, chairman of the Jackson County Republican committee, has had the arrangements in charge, and he reports that he never has seen Republican enthusiasm in Southern Oregon as strong as it is today. Josephine County, and perhaps Klamath County, will send delegations, and there will be a large attendance from Ashland.

Colonel R. C. Washburn, of Medford, will be toastmaster, and in addition to the speeches by the distinguished visitors, all of the local Republican orators will have a place on the program.

Gresham Lodge Installs Officers

GRESHAM, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The following were installed by Gresham Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 125, Thursday night: Noble grand, James McKinney; vice-grand, Art Dixon; secretary, R. H. Todd; treasurer, John Palmquist; warden, O. I. Neal; conductor, Dr. Earl Clannahan; inside guardian, Frank Hodge; outside guardian, Frank Christensen; right supporter noble grand, William Stanley; left supporter noble grand, Jake Metzger; right supporter vice-grand, Ed Osburn; left sup-

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Milwaukee Springs Company Expected to Appeal Case Before Action Can Be Taken by City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Milwaukee Springs Company, in its fight against the water companies today, when Circuit Judge Campbell signed an order dismissing the suit of the Milwaukee Springs Company for a permanent injunction which for several months has tied up the completion of the municipal water system, which was to be supplied from the Bull Run mains of Portland.

As soon as construction began the Milwaukee and the Milburn Springs water companies filed suit for injunctions, intending to force the city to buy their plants. Temporary injunctions were issued, restraining the city from completing its lines or selling water. Later one exception was made so that the Milwaukee school building could have Bull Run water.

Tree Crushes Clackamas Barn

CLACKAMAS, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The grove and one of the barns at the State Rifle Range suffered considerably from the snow and sleet thaw. A large oak tree, falling across one end of a barn, caving it in. A large fir tree fell across a trestle of the "Carver Railroad" line at Bakers Bridge and put the line out of commission for several days.

One-Armed Hunter Kills

ESTACADA, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Ernest Hoffmeister, of Eagle Creek, who last Fall suffered the amputation of his left arm as the result of a hunting accident, is again doing his share of the local hunting. Last Saturday, with his Uncle Dave Hoffmeister, he killed two big bobcats which their hounds had treed.

Spelling Compulsory in Ninth Grade

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Noting that high school pupils were deficient in spelling, the faculty of the local schools has made that subject compulsory in the Junior High School here. Heretofore instruction in spelling has been discontinued after the eighth grade.

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