

WOMAN KILLS HER MOTHER AND SELF

Mrs. Ella Craven Shoots Mrs. Minnie Graves and Then Ends Her Own Life.

DOMESTIC TROUBLE CAUSE

Daughter, Despondent Over Separation From Husband, Leaves Note Indicating She Feared Insanity Would Result.

Mrs. Ella Craven murdered her sleeping mother, Mrs. Minnie Graves, at 4:40 o'clock A. M. in their home at 488 Almsworth avenue. A .32 caliber pistol was used. Only two shots were fired, each claiming a victim. Despondency caused by troubles with her husband, from whom Mrs. Craven had been separated, is believed to have been the cause of the shooting. The bodies of the two women were found lying side by side in the mother's bed by R. L. Graves, husband of the murdered woman, and F. S. Starbuck, a neighbor. The police were immediately notified and the bodies were later taken to the Public Morgue.

Powder stains on Mrs. Craven's hand, evidently caused by the discharge of the revolver, and a note which she left in her room upstairs at the same address, left no doubt that she was responsible for the two deaths. "Rather than the asylum, Mama is fired. Use insurance for expenses and give the rest to Eva." This is the substance of the note, written on an envelope, which the young woman evidently penned while planning the deed, and which was found by the officers. "Eva" is her sister, who lives in Astoria.

Alarm Clock Drowns Shot Record.—Indications were that the young woman had gotten up, hastily penned the note, and then going down stairs and entering the room of her mother, fired the two fatal shots. Mr. Graves, who was sleeping in a room across the hall from that of his wife, said that he heard two sounds, not unlike that of a door slamming, while his alarm clock was ringing. He thought nothing of them at the time, however. Shortly afterwards he got up. His wife's door was locked, but he thought nothing of that and prepared his own breakfast without attempting to arouse her.

"After breakfast," said Mr. Graves, "I called my stepdaughter, Mrs. Craven, and hearing no response I went upstairs and found she had gone. I then began to fear that something had happened, and again attempted to enter my wife's room. Later, with the assistance of P. S. Starbuck, 482 Almsworth street, I broke down the door." The mother, Mrs. Graves, was lying, her face still in repose as though sleeping, a bullet wound in her forehead. The girl was shot in the temple.

Husband Believed in Astoria.—Mr. Graves told detectives that his stepdaughter had been separated from her husband several months, and that he had been dependent for some time. He said that she had been planning on suing for a divorce. Her husband, Carl Craven, steamfitter, is believed to be in Astoria.

When the bodies were found the Police Station was immediately notified and Motorcycles Patrolmen Crandall and Gouldstone were dispatched to the scene. Detective Captain Baty, City Detective Goltz, Patrolman Russell, Detective Tackaberry and Deputy Coroner Smith also went to the Graves home and made an investigation. Just what led the woman to the commission of the double crime the officers were unable to determine. They could learn no reason why she resorted to self-destruction, she should also kill her mother. It is believed that she had become temporarily insane through obsession and worry over domestic troubles. She had returned to Portland Friday from Astoria, where she had gone to see about obtaining a divorce.

Dead Planned Carefully.—Indications were that the deed was planned carefully. The girl had loaded the revolver with just two cartridges, one for herself and one for her mother. Mrs. Craven had attempted to commit suicide a month ago by taking bichloride of mercury tablets, according to Mr. Graves.

Recently she is said to have become engaged to a man whom she had known for several months. Her husband, however, received anonymously a card bearing "Ella Craven-Carl Graves." This caused postponement of the marriage through fear of trouble. R. L. Graves, who is a chemical engineer and assayer, and manager of the Montana Assay Company, 142 1/2 Second street, had been living with his wife and step-daughter at 488 Almsworth avenue, where they had erected a building in which they also conducted a grocery store and delicatessen. Previous to that Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Craven had conducted a store on Milling street in the same district. The family came to Portland from Astoria, where they had formerly lived.

Mrs. Graves, the mother, was 50 years of age. The daughter was 25. Deputy Coroner Smith announced that there would be no inquest. The bodies will be held at the morgue until further arrangements are made.

LOAN BODY IS ORGANIZED
Federal Rural Credits Plan Taken Up in Western Klickitat.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The meeting recently held here to explain the workings of the rural credit law to the residents of Western Klickitat County has resulted in steps being taken for the formation of Federal farm loan associations. S. H. Bodingshouse was elected temporary chairman and W. R. Wells temporary secretary.

Approximately 100 land owners have applied for membership and it is expected this district will take over from \$50,000 to \$100,000 of farm mortgages during the first six months of 1917. Plans are being formulated in Golden-dale for a similar association.

WOMAN WHO KILLED MOTHER AND HERSELF AND HER VICTIM.



Mrs. Ella Craven

SEWER PLAN FILED

Estimated Cost of Tanner Creek Drain \$287,000.

OLD PIPE FLATTENED OUT

Big Buildings Said to Be Responsible for Condition of Present Work and New Line Will Conform to Streets.

First step in the proceedings for re-building the Tanner Creek trunk sewer at a cost of \$287,000 was taken yesterday when City Engineer Dater filed completed plans and specifications for the project. This job will be the largest undertaken by the city in a long time and will require a year to complete. Work may be started late this fall.

The plans as filed call for the reconstruction in a new course of all that part of the big pipe laid about 30 years ago from a point on Seventeenth street, 486 feet south of Taylor street, running in a northeasterly direction to the Willamette at a point near the intersection of Pettygrove and Front streets.

The present sewer, which is reported to be on the point of collapse in several places, was built along the line of an old canyon running through that part of the city. This has been filled in and leveled off since and at many places large buildings stand over the sewer.

The new plans call for construction entirely in street area. The big pipe will run along Eleventh street instead of Tenth street, as originally planned, because Eleventh street will offer less interference to traffic while the street is torn up. By changing to Eleventh street the sewer will follow the North Bank Railroad have been overcome.

The pipe at Taylor and Seventeenth streets will be 6.6 feet wide by 8.5 feet high, and at the point where it discharges in the river it will be six feet wide by 12 feet in height. It will be the city's largest sewer at the point of outfall. Estimates of cost call for \$273,369.05 for construction and \$13,684.45 for engineering, advertising and inspection, making a total of \$287,053.50.

The plans and specifications call for either concrete or cement pipe. The cost of the work is to be paid by a large district draining into the sewer and extending through the West Side district as far west as the city limits.

A number of reports have been made on the condition of the big pipe, among them one by Ralph Modjeska. These all show that the pipe is badly cracked and bent and at several points is in immediate danger of collapse. In the event of collapse serious floods would occur in parts of the West Side. It is reported.

Construction of large buildings over the sewer is said to have had a good deal to do with the cracking and flattening out of the pipe. During its construction in the early days the sewer was the subject of all kinds of municipal scandal.

OREGON PIONEER PASSES

John Mackey, Early Lumberman and Farmer, Dead at Age of 76.

John Mackey, a pioneer of Oregon, passed away at St. Vincent's Hospital Thursday at the age of 76. He was born in Ottawa, Canada, January 1, 1840, and was one of seven children. He came West by way of the Isthmus of Panama in 1864. Before coming to Oregon he lived a while in California, and then joined his brother in Oregon.

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WASHINGTON COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, WHICH WON DRILL CONTEST AT ANNUAL CONCLAVE IN CORVALLIS LAST WEEK.



First Row, Left to Right—J. F. Drake, Captain; T. H. Banfield, First Lieutenant; A. D. Robinson, A. von der Werth, R. E. Gehr, R. W. Hendershot, R. R. Schomp, W. M. McCreery, R. H. Shaver, J. R. Martin, Ray Graham, W. L. Skans, H. D. Rasmussen, F. E. Peterson, E. N. Wheeler.

Three Portland Knights Templar were elected to office in the state commandery at the annual conclave held at Corvallis last Thursday. Louis G. Clarke, of Portland, was succeeded as grand commander by W. F. Laraway, of Hood River. The Portland men who were elected were: W. G. Sheilenbarger, senior grand warden; John B. Cleland, grand treasurer;

As one of the features of the annual conclave a competitive drill, entered into by a number of teams, was held. Captain J. Francis Drake, of this city, and his company succeeded in bringing home the banner for excellence in drill for the Washington Commandery. The sessions at Corvallis were attended by approximately 150 Knights from all parts of the state. Many Portland Knights attended.

The competitive drill was held under rules governing army tactics, and those who awarded Washington Commandery the banner by only four-tenths of a point were Major U. G. McAlexander, U. S. A., commandant of cadets at Oregon Agricultural College; Colonel George O. Yoran, of Eugene, and Major C. B. Winn, of Albany.

The visiting Knights were taken over the college campus and through the city in the afternoon and at noon a luncheon was served. A reception was tendered them in the evening.

CIVIL SERVICE HEAD REMOVED BY MAYOR

Summary Ejection of G. W. Caldwell Follows Refusal to Tender Resignation.

NO SUCCESSOR SUGGESTED

Action of Mr. Albee Is Result of Two Years' Opposition by Appointee to Various Dismissals by Chief Executive.

As a culmination of troubles between Mayor Albee and George W. Caldwell, chairman of the Municipal Civil Service Board, extending over a period of about two years, Mayor Albee yesterday summarily removed Mr. Caldwell from the board, effective at once. He gave as the reason Mr. Caldwell's service ideas which "are not for the advancement of the city service." Mr. Caldwell declared yesterday that the Mayor has other reasons, which he will make public in an open statement later. Mr. Caldwell was called into the office of the Mayor early yesterday morning and informed that his services had not been satisfactory, and he was asked if he cared to resign. Mr. Caldwell declared that he could see no reason for resigning, and refused. The Mayor then told him he would be removed from the position. Later in the day a letter was written to Mr. Caldwell, notifying him and giving the reasons. The position carries no salary. Troubles between the two officials have been on for nearly two years and have been increasing rapidly. The start was the reinstatement to the police service of Paulman Crowe, whom the Mayor had discharged for drunkenness. This stirred up considerable feeling on the part of the Mayor.

Sewer Case Recalled.

This action was followed later by Mr. Caldwell starting on a crusade against temporary appointments in the various services. This brought conflict between Mr. Caldwell and Commissioner Dieck. Then came the Montavilla trunk sewer fraud case, which was started by Mr. Caldwell and was followed by a Councilmanic investigation. The Mayor charged Mr. Caldwell in this case with being unfair and stepping beyond the jurisdiction of his position as chairman of the Civil Service Board.

As an outcome of the Montavilla investigation by the Council four sewer inspectors were discharged. Mr. Caldwell was one of the Civil Service Commissioners who voted to reinstate these men. This aroused more feeling on the part of Mayor Albee.

Two incidents which precipitated matters happened last week. One was when Chairman Caldwell and John F. Logan, a member of the board, voted for the appointment of a committee of business men to hear the case of C. E. Hunter, a traffic policeman discharged by the Mayor. The Mayor in a letter protested against this action, declaring that the case was heard by the Civil Service Board and should have been decided without further delay. The committee was appointed over the Mayor's protest.

Mayor Refuses to Comment.—The second cause of the quarrel was the action prompted by Mr. Caldwell to force Mrs. E. B. Colwell, secretary of the board of motion-picture censors, to take a permanent position on the board. This action now holds. The Mayor objects to this.

These are some of the troubles. There have been many others, which from time to time have aroused the ire of the Mayor and other members of the City Council. Outside of the letter which was addressed to Mr. Caldwell yesterday, Mayor Albee would make no comment on the dismissal.

This letter was as follows: "In accordance with the provisions of section 98 of the charter of the city of Portland you were appointed a member of the Civil Service Board, the appointment being made in the belief that you were 'interested and capable of the duties of the position.' In spite of the many indications that your ideas are not in accord with my belief at this time of your appointment I have been very loath to acknowledge that civil service is receiving no benefit by your stand, repeatedly taken, in matters pertaining to the work of the board. After a long and conscientious consideration of the entire situation I am forced to the conclusion that civil service in Portland is not advancing to the highest standard hoped for and in large measure that this is due to your views as to the purpose of civil service, further suggested by your misinterpretation of the charter of the city of Portland, wherein it sets forth the duties of the Civil Service Board.

The question as to the continuance of the present regrettable condition has been uppermost in my mind for some time and it is my conclusion that it is extremely unwise to continue on the present basis to the detriment of the public service as well as to the efficient and loyal employees of the city of Portland.

In view of the above I beg to advise you that you are hereby removed from the position of Commissioner on the Civil Service Board of the City of Portland.

Mr. Caldwell to Make Statement.—Mr. Caldwell was appointed in July, 1913, for a six-year term and has been a member of the board since that time. He refused yesterday to comment on the dismissal further than to say that the Mayor's action was prompted by motives other than those set forth in the letter. He will issue a complete statement on the subject within a few days.

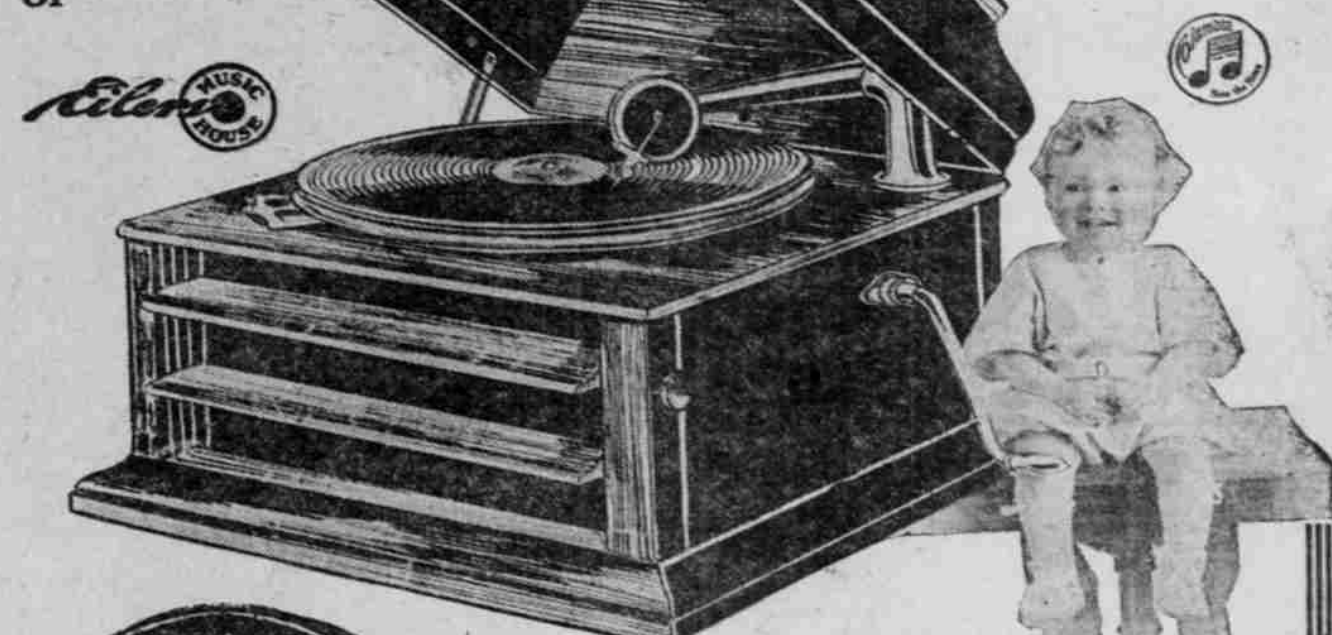
Under the city charter a successor to Mr. Caldwell will be named by the City Council. Inasmuch as the action of the Mayor came as a surprise no names of probable successors have been suggested as yet.

Rockefellers to Be Quarantined.—TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Infantile paralysis has invaded the estate of John D. Rockefeller, and statements made by health authorities yesterday indicate that a quarantine will be imposed, thus preventing Mr. Rockefeller from returning here from Cleveland, as he had planned. The victim is the 3-year-old daughter of an employee on the estate.

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Charles W. Fairbanks Blames Wilson for Expenditures.

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Big Part of River and Harbor Bill.

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Designed to Aid Candidates

for Seats in Congress.

POPULAR CLUBWOMAN DIES

Miss Minnie Louise Lay Was Active in The Dalles Church Work.

THE DALLES, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Miss Minnie Louise Lay died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Y. Logan, Thursday night. She has been ill several months.

Miss Lay was born in Fremont, O., May 28, 1877. She had lived here with her sister most of her life. She was an active worker in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, prominent in the guild work of the church and a member of the Daughters of the King. She was well known as a local clubwoman and very popular in social circles.

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