

RAZOR AND POISON
END DOCTOR'S LIFE

Physician Held on Murder Charge Finds Means for Suicide.

DEED DONE AT HOSPITAL

Accused Seizes Opportunity Offered by Absence of Nurse to Procure Drug and Weapon in Adjoining Room and Death Follows.

WINATCHEE, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special)—Getting the opportunity offered by the temporary absence from the room of the nurse attending him, Dr. Henry A. Smith, charged by a coroner's jury with the killing of Thomas Burke, at Waterville last Sunday morning, got out of bed shortly before 11 o'clock this morning, went into his office in an adjoining room, procured a razor and a bottle of bichloride of mercury tablets, returned to his bed, swallowed the tablets and then cut his throat with the razor. He died at 11 o'clock, after two hours of great suffering. His death is the final chapter in one of the most dramatic episodes in the history of North Central Washington.

When Dr. Smith was arrested by Dr. J. W. Adams, County Coroner, immediately after the shooting of Burke Sunday morning, he was turned over to the custody of Sheriff Sanford Jordan. As Dr. Smith was suffering from a wound in the leg, the result of a shot fired by Dr. Adams when Dr. Smith resisted arrest, Sheriff Jordan decided to take the injured man to the hospital in Dr. Smith's own town.

Wounded Man Well Guarded. The wounded man has at all times been under guard. The sheriff himself was with the wounded prisoner until after 11 o'clock last night. He said the doctor seemed to be in good spirits, with apparently no thought of self-destruction. He talked with the Sheriff concerning his removal to the County Jail later, and expressed his appreciation of the kindness and consideration shown in permitting him to remain in the hospital while recovering from his injury.

Sheriff Jordan says that he made a personal examination of the man's injury yesterday and that he deemed it best to move him to the County Jail as yet, as the wound had not sufficiently healed. He had made certain there was nothing in the room which the doctor could attempt self-destruction, and when he left his prisoner late last night the latter seemed so cheerful that the officer entertained no fears of suicide.

Death Caused by Poison.

Investigation showed that he had swallowed bichloride of mercury, the empty bottle being found under the bed. He had also cut his throat with an old razor, which was found in the room and death resulted from the poison, for while the cut on the throat served a purpose, it was not the cause of great loss of blood, the jugular vein was narrowly missed. It is supposed that the doctor supplemented the taking of the poison with the cutting of his throat because he feared the poison might not do the work and that prompt medical attention might save his life.

The razor and the poison were obtained in a room adjoining that in which the doctor was confined. This room was the doctor's office and he had no difficulty in placing his hands on his medicine case there and securing the bottle of bichloride tablets. It is supposed that he obtained the razor in that room also. Through a coroner's jury placed upon Dr. Smith the responsibility for the death of Thomas Burke, no preliminary hearing had been held and no information charging the doctor with the crime had been filed in court. Dr. Smith was about 30 years of age and leaves, besides the wife, a son in the Army and a daughter at home.

DITTMAN IS UNDER ARREST

(Continued From First Page.) court at Leipzig for their alleged share in the sailors' mutiny. AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2.—A Munich dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung says that several strike leaders have been arrested there, including the writer, Kurt Eisner, and Frau Sarah Lerch. The troops prevented a demonstration which was demanded before Wittelbach palace, where the King resides. Tumultuous scenes occurred at Socialist meetings.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 2.—A copy of a pamphlet issued by the independent Socialists which has reached Copenhagen, shows that the strike in Germany was prepared by them.

Fan-Germans Blamed. The pamphlet points out that the Fan-Germans have brought the peace negotiations and the future of Germany into great danger.

Admiral von Tirpitz, leader of the Fatherland party, after an interview with the Imperial Chancellor, declared that he was satisfied with the government's plans concerning the east. Such a declaration, says the pamphlet, proves that the government is in collusion with the advocates of violence and just at this moment the Reichstag is closed and other means of criticism made impossible by the government. "Our press is gagged, our comrades are imprisoned and the factories to a still greater extent are militarized," continues the pamphlet. "Men and women of the working classes! There is no time to lose. After the horrors and frightful suffering we have undergone a new and frightful disaster threatens our people—yes, even the whole of humanity. "Only a peace without indemnities and annexations can save us, and the hour has come when you must raise your voice for such a peace. At this moment the German people have been means of powerful demonstrations manifest its will to finish the war."

The pamphlet is signed by Eduard Bernstein, Hugo Haase, Wilhelm Dittmann, Georg Ledebour and other leaders. LONDON, Feb. 2.—The unpopularity of the government over the situation is shown by its action in placing the burden of suppressing the strike on the shoulders of the military and the arrest of Socialist leaders, including Dittmann.

Verweert Warns Government. The Socialist paper Verweert advocates calling a meeting of the Reichstag, and declares that the government must take notice of the discontent, which, it says, is a struggle between the military and the advocates of peace by understanding, adding: "The Social Democratic party must, in all of its efforts, the movement should lead to a process of disintegration and civil war." According to a Berlin dispatch to the

HOFF ENTERS RACE

State Labor Commissioner Would Be Treasurer.

FIVE CANDIDATES NOW OUT

Man Long Active in Labor Circles, Grange and Farmers' Unions, Decides to Stand on Record in Office for People's Vote.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—After serving for 18 years as State Labor Commissioner for Oregon, O. P. Hoff today made formal announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for State Treasurer. Mr. Hoff, in making his announcement, declares that he believes expenditure of public funds should be curtailed to the lowest notch consistent with efficient and conservative government and says he will stand upon his record. With the advent of Mr. Hoff into the race there are now five candidates formally announced, those being Mr. Hoff, Ed C. Cusick, of Albany; Judge Thomas P. Ryan, of Oregon City; William Adams, City Treasurer of Portland; and O. M. Plummer, of Portland. It has been understood generally that Ben F. West, County Assessor of Marion Coun-

ty, would make his announcement before this, so far as it has not been forthcoming and he said recently that he still had the matter under consideration. The name of R. Alexander, of Pendleton, has been frequently mentioned as a possible Eastern Oregon candidate, but as far as is known here has yet given no definite word as to his decision in the matter. Hoff Active in Labor Circles. Mr. Hoff for a number of years has been active in the affairs of labor, the Grange and Farmers' Union, as well as being associated with other activities. In his platform he says: "I am seeking the Republican nomination for State Treasurer, and in support of my candidacy submit my record, well known to the people of the state of Oregon, of 18 years' service as State Labor Commissioner, one of the most difficult positions to fill and one of the least paid elective state offices. In standing before you, I know I am offering to you a man who has had the opportunity to see that all possible protection is afforded and justice is done to both the employer and the worker. I have never been a member of any political party, and I believe that the results obtained have been satisfactory to the people of Oregon as indicated by repeated re-election and consequent increase in the number of my offices. Candidate Knows State. As Labor Commissioner my duties have carried me into every nook and corner of this state. I know the resources, the great possibilities and its needs. In my work I have come in contact with all industrial and business interests and the business man's risk, difficulties and requirements. I comprehend the troubles, hardships and struggles of the working people and can act with understanding in the solution of their problems as they come before the various boards of which the State Treasurer is a member. My knowledge of state business and long training and experience in handling public and private funds certainly qualify me for the office of the State Treasurer. Under the present stress of our National crisis I believe that every ounce of the state's resources should be developed and utilized to the greatest extent, and the expenditure of public funds curtailed to the degree of absolute necessity, consistent with efficient and conservative government. In conclusion, I need only to assure you that I will stand upon my declaration that "My oath of office is my platform; my record is my guarantee, and my experience is your protection."

AMSTERDAM FACES WALKOUT

Police and Military Prepare for Trouble Tomorrow.

STRIKE URGED IN LEAFLETS

German People Called On to Rise and Establish Republic.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—One of the leaflets which was circulated in Berlin and helped to cause the strike in Germany was obtained by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Express. The leaflet calls the government's expressed desire for peace only a mask and declares that the only way to end the misery and the wholesale massacre is to overthrow the present government and establish a republic. The leaflet says further: "Only by rising en masse, only by a general strike that shall put a stop to all industrial activities, and especially the war industry, only by a revolution and wresting from the hands of tyrants a democratic republic for Germany can a halt be called to the international butchery and a general peace be brought about. "Workers, let us prepare for an immediate, stiff-necked and determined action en masse. This is the only way to end the torments and misery we are suffering. "The battleries must be down with a separate peace! Delay no longer, German workers, men and women alike, rise up and act with vigor, bearing none. Above all, we must not delay. Now is the time to strike a formidable blow."

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2.—While the police and military are preparing for a general strike in Amsterdam on Monday, there are indications that the movement probably will not assume serious proportions. The members of the moderate unions have issued a proclamation urging their fellow members not to follow the dictates of the leaders of the syndicalists, who are said to desire to spread a strike through the country. The strike movement is said to be backed by Socialists with Bolshevik tendencies and is declared to be an outward sign of discontent of the working classes, arising out of privations due to the war.

BENTON TEACHERS MEET

INSTITUTE HELD IN CORVALLIS TWO DAYS THIS WEEK.

SCHOOL BOARDS ALLOW INSTRUCTORS TIME OFF, WITH PAY, TO ATTEND COUNTY GATHERING.

CORVALLIS, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—County Superintendent Cannon has been conducting a two days' teachers' institute in this city this week. Appeal was made to the various county school boards to give the teachers time off, with full pay, and most of the boards responded. The following teachers were in attendance: Mrs. Lottie Blake, Adla Cyrus, Inez Nyman, Verena Puntener, Mary Anderson, Anna E. Hooker, Mrs. Nellie G. Tittel, Marion F. Wood, Margaret Tallman, Virgil J. Frink, Ethel L. Hooper, Myra Castle, Irene Kirby, Esther White, Myrtle Tuttle, Tess Allen, Edna Dalbreath, Ethel E. Smith, Effie Benson, Rex Fish, Ruth Norton, Olive Coultter, Ruth T. Simpson, Eyla Walker, Clara Van Meter, Anna Prady, Mrs. Vera Howard, Eva Schmidt, Mrs. Aura Hendshaw, Martha Larsen, E. May Slade, Alden John, Violet Hunsberger, Mrs. J. E. Feltz, Nevada Dallas, Mrs. Amy Messervey, Ella May Utterback, Hestia Williams, Mrs. Helen Plov Baker, Bertha Hakill, Mrs. Alden John, Mary B. Underwood, Mrs. Nellie Wikkers, F. Wayne Beals, Augusta Hahn, Mrs. Mary A. Rains, Mrs. Eva Murphy, Mrs. Lou Pope, Elizabeth Miller, Myrtle Mathison, Otto Lamer, Alice Butler, Amanda Johnson, Mrs. Mamie Orr, Georgia English, Gertrude Littlejohn, Effie Coker, Sylvia Blackwell, Nettie Bell Moser, Mary Foley, Margaret Foley, Margie K. Lewis, Pearl Feeley, Mildred Otteman, Ruth Mills, Eva M. Boocoo and Coral L. Garvin.

RARE OLD BOOKS COMING

War Brings Many Ancient Volumes Here From Europe.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—One effect of the war has been to increase the stock of rare old books in America, according to Rev. G. S. O. Humbert, financial secretary of the Eugene Bible University, who recently returned from Los Angeles, where he purchased a collection of old volumes. These books were shipped from London to Canada and then to California. The books purchased by Mr. Humbert include: "The Bible in the Original Languages," by Rev. G. S. O. Humbert; "The Bible in the Original Languages," by Rev. G. S. O. Humbert; "The Bible in the Original Languages," by Rev. G. S. O. Humbert.

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FRIENDS BOOM HORNIBROOK

Albany Editor Indorsed for National Committeeman. EUGENE, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—W. H. Hornibrook, editor of the Albany Democrat, was today indorsed for Democratic National committeeman from Oregon by the executive committee of the Lane County party organization. Attorney Esterly, of Portland, is the present member of the National committee. It is expected that he will be a candidate for re-election at the primaries in May.

VOCATION WORK INDORSED

State Board Approves Plans at Hood River and Other Places. SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—Superintendent Churchill reported today that the State Board of Vocational Education, at a meeting in Portland yesterday, indorsed a plan for training practical printers at the Dalles High School, where a linotype machine has been installed. At Pendleton the students will be instructed in the handling of tractors and other implements used on the large ranches of Eastern Oregon, while at Eugene a course in plumbing and gas-fitting will be included. The board reached the conclusion that instructors in these branches must have had at least two years' practical experience in the trade they are to teach. The cost of keeping up these courses is to be charged one-half to the district and one-half to the state.

TWO BIG CRANES FOR SALE

Government Machines, If not Sold, May Go to France. Two locomotive cranes of the 15-ton, four-wheel truck type, with 44-foot, six-inch booms, are available for use in the Northwest spruce production campaign. It was announced at the headquarters of Colonel Brice P. Disque yesterday. They were built for the cut-out plant at Vancouver, but were never used there. Unless a purchaser applies soon for them they will be shipped to France. Colonel Disque's office also announced yesterday that stenographers, bookkeepers and accountants who have knowledge of the timber business are needed in the spruce production service. Men of draft age may, by applying at headquarters, be inducted into this work.

FUGITIVE BROUGHT BACK

E. J. Frazer, Caught at San Diego, Now in Benton County Jail. CORVALLIS, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—E. J. Frazer, the Lane County fugitive, recently captured in San Diego with \$3000 in his shoe, is now lodged in the Benton County Jail at Corvallis. Frazer was reported to have committed suicide at Gearhart after his conviction here, and while he was supposed to be out trying to get bond. He wants to appeal his case to the Supreme Court. It was tried before Judge Hamilton.

MAHONERS LEAVE ON TRIP

Mrs. T. F. Mahoney and son, Lawrence, leave this evening for California where they will remain during the winter. In the hope that the son will recuperate from serious injuries sustained several months ago in an automobile accident.



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BRAKEMAN IS JAILED

CHESTER MCINTOSH ACCUSED OF STABBING L. E. BENDERSON. Prisoner Declares Trouble Was Due to Remarks He Had Made Regarding Victim's Wife.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—Chester McIntosh is in the City Jail here awaiting the arrival of an officer from Ashland. He is a Southern Pacific brakeman and is charged with stabbing his fellow workman, L. E. Benderson, because the latter had struck him in the face. McIntosh said he stabbed Benderson in the shoulder and abdomen, but did not believe the injuries would prove fatal. Immediately after the stabbing affray he boarded a northbound freight, arriving in Roseburg last night. He was taken into custody by Night Officer Wilcox, who had his description. Ray Cummings, who accompanied McIntosh, the prisoner says the trouble was due to remarks he had made about Benderson's wife. The knife used by the prisoner was given to the officers and will be held as evidence pending the preliminary hearing, which takes place in Ashland.

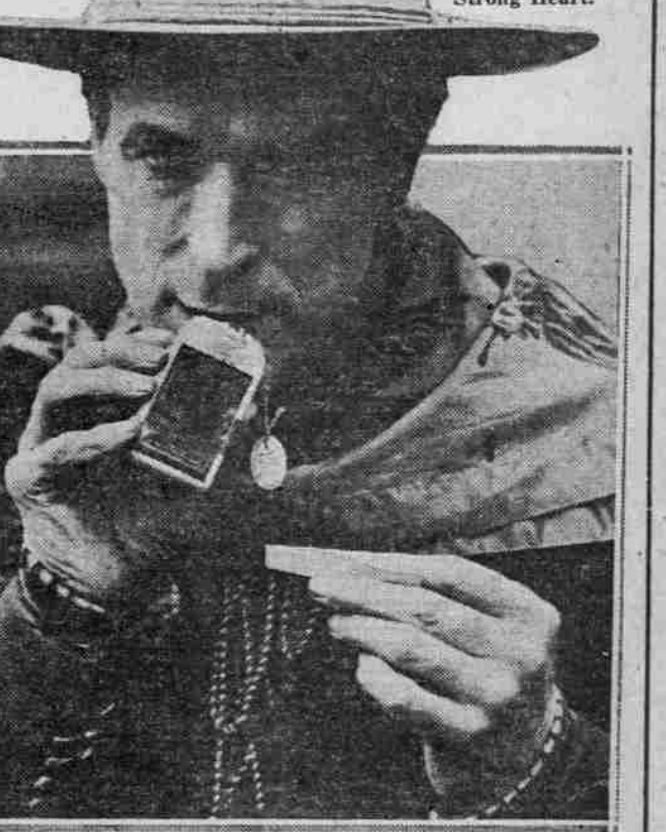
S. REED FILES FOR OFFICE

Portland Man Would Be State Senator, He Announces. SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special)—Sanderson Reed, of Portland, today filed with Secretary of State Olcott his declaration of intention of becoming a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator from the Thirtieth Senatorial District, comprised of Multnomah County. His slogan will

be "I advocate fewer laws, more substance." In his platform he says: "I shall not permit myself to be swayed from what I believe to be the primary interests of our Nation, city, county and state. As a lifelong resident of Multnomah County I am well acquainted with our needs."

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