

JURY MANIAES INSANE
MURDERER'S SLAYER

Victim Pleads for Life as
First Shot Fails.

GUN ALSO USED AS CLUB

Man Blames Spouse for Committing
Him to Institution; Thought
Children Were Not Cared For.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 24.—Following the inquest today on the body of Mrs. William George Robbins, found in Stanley park here on Thursday, covered with leaves and flowers, the coroner's jury returned a verdict that she came to her death as the result of gunshot wounds inflicted by her husband.

Robbins, who voluntarily surrendered to the police on Thursday afternoon and who according to the authorities, made a full confession of the killing, appeared at the inquest quite composed and apparently cheerful and at ease.

Dr. George P. Curtis, who made the post mortem, testified that the first bullet fired through Mrs. Robbins' body would not necessarily have killed her.

Asylum Term Averaged.
The details of Robbins' alleged confession were narrated on the stand by Deputy Chief of Police Leathdale. According to the officer's testimony, Robbins' action was primarily prompted by the belief that his wife had been instrumental in having him committed to the Westminister asylum and also because he thought she was not taking proper care of their two children.

Robbins told the deputy, the latter testified, that his wife had "doped" him. He said also, according to the officer, that on Tuesday morning after the murder, he thought she might still be alive and he ran all the way to the body in the park with a wet towel to try to revive her.

Robbins, the witness said, was warned that he had said would be used against him.

Leathdale testified that Robbins, accompanied by another man, appeared at police headquarters Thursday afternoon and said: "I am Mr. Robbins. I killed my wife Monday night."

He informed the officer he had escaped from an asylum June 9, and, after a search for his wife, he met her on Monday. They took their two children to the home of Robbins' brother-in-law and went for a walk in the park. They found their wife's body was found, Robbins said he thought he saw the man. Turning to his wife, he said:

"What sort of a game is this?" Then he shot her, according to his statement, said Leathdale. She fell and pleaded with him to let her up, promising not to tell on him. He refused and shot her three times more, then he turned over the head with the pistol until it was broken.

Leathdale produced two incoherent letters written by Robbins and found on the body of his wife. They were addressed to Mrs. Field, sister of the prisoner, and Mrs. F. C. York, mother of Mrs. Robbins.

SKIPPER SUED BY CADETS

BRUTAL TREATMENT ALLEGED BY WASHINGTON YOUTHS.

Eight Merchant Marine Sailors Stranded on Island After Trouble on Vessel.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 24.—(Special.)—Eight merchant marine cadets from Washington, stranded at Hilo, Hawaiian islands, have brought suit for \$25,000 damages against Captain E. F. Eckhardt, master of the training ship, Vicksburg.

American Legion members of the Hawaiian islands have obtained legal aid for the cadets in their court fight to show that Captain Eckhardt resorted to brutal tactics.

While sleeping in the parks and roaming the country, living on bananas, the youths who left Seattle on the training ship, Vicksburg, had their parents in Seattle of their troubles on the high seas and in the distant port of Hilo, which is on the island of Hawaii.

Unrest developed aboard the Vicksburg when Cadet Birley S. Pullington of 409 Chestnut avenue, Seattle, was thrown into the ship's brig during the ocean voyage for alleged insubordination.

The brig was next to the engine room and was so hot that shipmates forced the doors open to relieve the discomfort. Captain Eckhardt had the cadet incarcerated and thrown into the native jail when the Vicksburg reached Hilo.

When brother cadets heard that their comrade was forced to eat native "cow cow" for five days, they resigned from the training ship and appealed to the American Legion and stayed on the island when the Vicksburg steamed away.

Seattle parents, on receiving details of the trouble, engaged an attorney to investigate.

CLEWS TO SLAYER FOUND

West Sixty-third or Sixty-fourth street, Fernandez remained in Philadelphia until July, 1919, when he joined Yanez in New York. Either then, or previously, I think he was employed by the Hudson Automobile company. He and Yanez were expert automobile mechanics and good drivers.

"About this time Fernandez got into a bad scrape. He was driving an automobile home from Albany in hand with some girls and men when had an accident in which one person was killed. He was in the hospital several days and was in jail about a month before he got out on bail.

"He gave his name when arrested as O. J. Wood and on July 10, last, left a trunk at my place under that name for me to store for him. He also borrowed \$20 from me. In October or November he jumped his bail and went to Toledo, O. He went to Detroit shortly after and was there on December 25, 1919, for he wrote me a letter on that day.

Letter Sent in January.
"On January 7, 1920, I received a letter from Fernandez in which he asked the trunk to E. Leroy, care of Y. M. C. A., Detroit. He inclosed a check for \$25 to pay back what he still owed me on the \$20 loan and the charges for storage of the trunk, asking me to return any change due him. I sent him the trunk and

mailed him a check for \$2.75, representing his change. The check was made out to E. Leroy and was cashed at the Detroit Y. M. C. A.

"Yanez and I often discussed Fernandez' habit of changing his name, and we agreed he was very foolish to act the way he was acting. Outside of that I never noticed anything queer about him.

He and Yanez were both of the South American or Spanish race. They were both handsome men and were always well dressed. They inclined to tight-fitting clothes and sported curly hair. Fernandez' complexion and coal-black hair. Fernandez was about 5 feet 8 inches and heavily built. He was 32 years old.

He was a great man for the women. Yanez was about the same age, but was a good deal shorter man.

Gene Six Weeks.
"Yanez stayed in New York until about six weeks ago, when he went to San Antonio.

It was about six weeks ago that E. Leroy left the apartment at No. 105 Harper street, Detroit, telling the manager his wife had gone away the night before. About that time A. A. Tatum shipped the woman's body to New York.

"The letter I received from A. A. Tatum," Branin went on, "was as follows: 'You were recommended to me by a previous patron. I am enclosing receipt for trunk addressed to yourself. Please pick up and hold till I contact you when I will pay you cartage and storage.'"

"I went to the express company yard at Thirty-third and Tenth avenues in a few days and then to the warehouse at No. 228 East Forty-fourth street, but they said they didn't have any such boxes on their books. I went back later, but they said they didn't have it, so I thought there was some mistake and put the letter away.

"I did not think anything more about it till I read the names Tatum and Leroy in this morning's paper."

Names of Consignees Mixed.
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POLICE ABANDON ONE THEORY

20-Year-Old Canonburg, Pa., Girl Not Murderer's Victim.

DETROIT, Mich., July 24.—The trunk in which the body of an unidentified woman was found in New York was received by Detroit police this evening. Later detectives hurried out on what they said was a new lead. The belief that the murdered woman might have been Katherine Dana, 20-year-old Canonburg, Pa., girl, was abandoned by police today.

A man in blue serge coat, found in the trunk in which the unidentified woman's body was shipped from Detroit to New York, was purchased in Palatka, Fla., according to police. A label in the coat bore the inscription: "Browning-Fearnside Company, Palatka."

This information was taken by the police to strengthen their theory that Leroy and "Fernandez" are the same man, saying that a South American, which "Fernandez" is believed to have been, might enter the United States by way of Palatka. They also stated that Mrs. Lottie Brooks, manager of the apartment house here where "Leroy" occupied an apartment, had noticed an accent in the speech which made her think that he was a South American.

FOUR STAGES HELD UP

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nearly 20 and had taken up the robber's trail.

Information reaching here was that he told the tourists and stage drivers he had one or more companions hidden in the brush near him.

Aquitania Makes Good Time.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Completing her first trip since refitting as an oil-burner, the steamship Aquitania, off her anchorage from Liverpool. Despite an accident off the Irish coast, where one engineer was killed and a stoker injured in a boiler-valve explosion, the steamer averaged 23.04 knots and made 576 miles on the fourth day out. Among her cabin passengers was Walter Hagen, American golf champion.

Chile Press Pleads Revolt Cause.

SANTIAGO, Chile, July 23.—Ideas of a pan-American understanding relative to recognition of de facto governments are contained in an editorial printed in El Mercurio today, at which an understanding has been reached, says the paper, certain conditions should be fixed under which governments born of revolution might be recognized.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Some people are naturally thin. There is also a natural pallor but most people who are both thin and pale are far from well and they need a tonic.

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MORE CARS ARE WANTED

President Reports That Only 60 Per Cent of Normal Distribution is Possible.

CHICAGO, July 24.—Appointment of committees to devise plans for the co-operative marketing of grain and livestock was determined upon at the final session today of the American farm bureau federation. The livestock proposal was unanimously approved when the association's committee on that industry recommended it. This action came a few hours after the plan of the grain committee had been received favorably by a majority of the convention.

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More Cars to Be Asked.

A resolution was adopted directing that efforts be made by the farm bureau to obtain cars to move crops. It also was recommended that freight problems be referred to the federation to obtain uniform freight rates and equal facilities for all farmers.

The federal trade commission was congratulated for "its substantial work in the east" and the support of the federation was pledged. Another resolution endorsed deep waterway projects.

120,000 Cars Need Repairs.

Efforts of the federation to obtain freight cars were reported by Mr. Howard. "In January the federation sent a delegation to Washington to learn whether we could hope for more cars," he said. "We were advised that there are in storage of approximately 100,000 cars and that about 120,000 more needed repairs. We were told that the best we could hope to obtain in the way of freight cars was about 80 per cent of normal distribution."

Representatives of the United States grain growers' association and of the national board of farm organizations, who attended the meeting

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

ILWACO PLANT IS BURNED

Loss of Light and Power Accompanied by Water Shortage.

ASTORIA, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—The town of Ilwaco, Wash., faces the necessity of being without light, power or water for an indefinite period as the result of a fire that early this morning destroyed the plant of the North Shore Light & Power company.

The cause of the fire was unknown. Only the fact that there was no breeze saved the Ilwaco mill and other nearby buildings.

The water reservoirs are supplied by pumps electrically operated. There is only a two-day supply of water in the reservoirs.

COAL PRODUCTION IS BIG

10,969,000 Tons Record Mark Since Switchmen's Strike.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—Bituminous coal production of 10,969,000 tons for the week ended July 17, announced today by the Geological survey, was the largest of any week since the first of the railroad switchmen's strike in March.

This output also exceeded that of the last previous full-time week by 413,000 tons.

SALVATION HEAD SAILS

General Booth, Accompanied by Aides, Returns to Home.

NEW YORK, July 24.—General Bramwell Booth, head of the Salvation Army, accompanied by his son, Adjutant Bernard Booth, and his secretary, Commander Theodore Kitchener, sailed today for his home in London after a five-month tour of Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

Forestry Course Advised.

MADISON, Wis., July 24.—Many phases of the forestry profession should be considered engineering and instruction in all forestry colleges should be shaped to meet the needs of industries which use forest products, Dean Franklin Moon of the New York state college of forestry said today, at a national conference of forestry college educators.

Italians Repulse 4000 Albanians.

LONDON, July 24.—Insurgent Albanians numbering about 4000 attacked the Italians yesterday on a front of 10 meters between Clakoo Inert and the castle of Carina, but were driven back by counter-attacks, according to a semi-official statement as reported by Reuters' correspondent at Rome. The Albanian casualties included 70 dead.

Mrs. Vanderbilt Accepts Post.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, widow of the late General Vanderbilt, in a cable received today from London accepted the chairmanship of the women's committee of the Army and Navy memorial to officers who died in the world war.

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