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WALTER JOHNSON ADMITS KILLING PERDUE

Says he Robbed Dead Man of About $140

BAD DISPUTE OVER LOCATING

Arrested Sunday Night, in East Portland, by Sheriff Hancock

Walter Johnson, aged 28 years, and a son of the late Chas. M. Johnson, who formerly ran a saloon at Cornelius, and later conducted a hopyard near Gaston, was arrested Sunday night, in an East Portland restaurant, by Sheriff Hancock and Sheriff Stevens, of Multnomah county, and three hours later confessed the atrocious crime. Johnson killed Elmer Perdue, whom he had located on a piece of timber land back of the Sidwell ranch, beyond Glenwood, in Northwest Washington county. This was about the last of June, or first of July. Johnson said that he and Perdue camped at the Burgholzer cabin over night, and that in the morning they quarreled about the location. He shot Perdue (as Perdue's skull was crushed in he must have used some other instrument, probably the piece of wagon tire made into a falling iron) and then dragged him into the ravine 100 yards away. He then returned to the cabin, cooked his breakfast, and returned to Portland in a roundabout way. Johnson says he took between $130 and $140 off the dead body, and also a watch and some other trinkets. These he hid, and says he will tell the officers where they are. Johnson was suspicioned from the very first because he had been locating men in the timber above Buxton and Timber. Some of the men he fraudulently located, frequently putting them on land already passed to patent. Johnson was married to a daughter of Riley Thomas, a reliable Nehalem rancher.

Johnson stated to an Argus reporter that he knew Perdue about a week before he took him to Buxton, and that he first met him at the Acme Employment office on Fourth and Burnside. He also stated that he thinks Perdue came from either North Carolina, Kentucky or Tennessee, and had heard him say that he also had been in Spokane. The prisoner acts as though he was the slave of some drug habit, although his pallor and nervousness may be the result of the ordeals in going over his confession two or three times. He admitted that he had not gone through Perdue's watch pocket, containing the badges with Perdue's name, the only means of identification found on the dead man.

Johnson made a signed confession as follows:

"I killed Perdue. We slept together in the cabin and that morning we had some dispute about money matters. I had gone with him into the timber to locate him on a quarter section of timber land. Words passed and then I got my rifle and blew the top of his head off.

"He died instantly and I searched his pockets and took between $130 and $140. I also took his watch and knife and other personal effects. I will show the officers where I hid these things nearby.

"After taking whatever of value he had in his pockets I dragged the body away a short distance into the woods and placed it in a ditch, where I covered it over with leaves and brush. Then I went back to the cabin and cooked my breakfast. After eating it, I made my way by a roundabout route to Portland."

Sheriff Hancock brought out Johnson Monday morning and placed him in jail to await circuit court. As murder is not a bailable offense in a case of this kind he will remain in jail until court meets this Fall. The confession puts at rest any doubt as the Perdue's murderer. Only for badges found in Perdue's watch pocket marked "E. E. Perdue, Spokane, Wash." and which were overlooked by Johnson, the dead man's identity would perhaps never have been established.

Johnson claims that Perdue, after quarrelling, told him he would get him, or words to that effect, and that he then fired, with a Winchester, which he had borrowed from a Mr. Kelly, Fifth and Burnside, Portland. He then says he carried him to a ravine, after taking his money, walked to Banks and from there drove in a rig to the Grove, taking the train to Portland. He says he threw away Perdue's purse upon reaching Portland. Johnson says he does not think they will hang him as he shot in defence. Just how this will go down with a jury remains to be seen, as Johnson admits to robbing the dead man after the killing.

Farm for Sale

I wish to sell my farm, containing 152 acres, 110 acres under plow, good house, barn and orchard, 3½ miles south of Hillsboro, and one mile west of Farmington. For further information, address,

E. Burkhalter,
44 6m Hillsboro, Ore.

F. E Rowell, of Scholls, was up Friday, and states that he and other prominent Scholls' people have been trying to get the Oregon Electric to build a branch into that section, tapping one of the most fertile portions of Washington county. As yet they have received little encouragement, owing to the fact that many proposed lines are first up for consideration.

Wanted—Hop pickers for Gregg's yard at Leisyville, 1¼ miles north of Hillsboro. Address, W. J. Gregg, Route 3, Hillsboro. Pacific States' phone, Farmers 31x. 19-23

Geo. Loeb, of Portland, visited with the Archbolds this week. His wife has been camping with the Archbold family at Meacham.

Joe. Robinson was up from Farmington Saturday.

Isaac Eunes, of Iowa Hills, was in town Saturday.

Tents, camp stools, hammocks, canvass cots, at Patterson's.

J. E. Peterson, the Bethany thresherman, was in town Saturday.

Fancy pastry, wedding cakes, etc., at the City Bakery, Main St.

A L. Holcomb, of near Bethany, was in the city Friday, greeting friends.

Try "Our Home Made Loaf," at the City Bakery, on Main street, Hillsboro. 18 tf

Jeptha Garrigus, of above Banks, was down to the county seat the last of the week.

Call on or phone to Dennis for groceries. A complete and up to date line always on hand.

J. J. Krebs, formerly a Farmington merchant, was up from his ranch the last of the week.

Frank Bower, of Scholls, was up to the hub the last of the week, on business at the courthouse.

T. C. Meehan, formerly of Farmington, is building a house for Andrew Jack, for rental purposes.

For sale:—From 10 to 60 head of well bred Angora goats, $2 to $2 50 each. C. Rehse, Farmington, Oregon. 20 22

John Overroeder, who has a neat little home east of town, on the Oregon Electric, was up to the city Saturday.

Special discount of 15 per cent on screen doors and adjustable window screens, for short time only, at Patterson's. 21-tf

Geo. A Brown, who ran the Milne warehouse the past year, was out from Portland, where he now resides, Saturday.

Guy Weisenback, who has been superintending the big Johnson ranch at Reedville, the past year, was in Saturday.

Green Walker, of Greenville, and who plays the violin in "that good old fashioned way," was in town Saturday afternoon.

We have just received a car of Bain wagons from the factory. Will sell at Portland prices.—Schulmerich Bros. 51-tf

Sam Elliott, son of Ladd Elliott, killed a bear which dressed 300 pounds, above the Boyd mill, Cornelius Pass, last week.

Frank Weisenback, manager of the Witch Hazel hopyard, says the product is getting along nicely, and a good yield is promised.

Smokers like the Schiller and the Excellencia. These cigars are of the best stock. You can't fool an authority on a good cigar.

The affiliates of St. Matthews' church are building a handsome new residence for the resident priest, Rev. Father Bucholzer.

Alex. Gordon, of Glencoe, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Gordon has shipped his entire hayerop to an Astoria firm for many years, and this year will be no exception.

Rev. W. H. Black, formerly publisher of The Other Side, a populist publication conducted here in the '90's, was in town Saturday, the the guest of his father-in-law, Sherburne Wilson.

We carry too many articles to enumerate, but we have anything the farmer needs. The largest stock ever shown in Washington county, and can and will beat all competitors.—Schulmerich Bros.

Ernest Schaer, of near Bethany, while trying to mount the J. E. Peterson seperator while moving from the Peter Traschel farm, Saturday, caught one leg in the spokes, throwing him in such a position that the wheel ran over the other leg. Both ankles were lacerated, but no bones were broken. Dr. Tamiesie attended his injuries.

Persons wishing to tile their farms will always find a large stock of fine tile in our yard at Scholls. We also carry brick and building blocks. Those intending to build will find a large supply of lumber at our yard, and you are invited to call and look over our stock before purchasing.—The Groner-Rowell Co, Scholls; P. O. address, Hillsboro, Ore., R. D. 2

Jake Whitmore, residing on Baseline, between First and Second, tanked up on Cornelius booze, Friday, and returned that evening and terrorized his family, threatening to kill his wife, and otherwise making himself demonstrative. Marshal Atkinson called in several men to arrest the obstreperous Jacob, but he stood them off until Sheriff Hancock arrived, when he was soon overpowered and placed in the county jail for the night. Whitmore is a fine fellow when not drinking, but his conduct has been such that he has been unable to get a drink in Hillsboro saloons for months.

AN UNLUCKY DAY IN OLD HILLSBORO

Mrs. Kerr, of Middleton, Loses a House, by Fire

AND E. D. THORNE LOSES A BARN

House was Occupied by Wm. Presco; Located Back of Cider Factory

Friday night was a bad one for two Hillsboro property owners. About 10:30 a house belonging to Mrs. Kerr, of Middleton, caught fire, and although nearly all the effects of the renter, Wm. Presco, were saved, the building is practically a total loss. Mr. Presco says he does not know how the fire started. The blaze evidently started in the woodshed, used as a kitchen. The fire department arrived, but before water was on it had too great a start for successful coping with the flames.

At 1:00 o'clock the E. D. Thorne barn was discovered ablaze. This must have started from a cinder from the Kerr fire, and inside of ten minutes the entire building was enveloped in flames. There was a ton of hay in the structure, and this constitutes the inside loss.

Mrs. Kerr's loss is about $600, while the Thorne loss is about $100. Neither had insurance.

Speaking of water—there was plenty of water at all times, and the bugaboo of lack of water has been put down and out.

PROHIS WANT APPEAL

The Prohis want the county court to appeal to the supreme court over the decision of Judge McBride, in the South Hillsboro liquor case, which on a recount threw the precinct wet after the county court had proclaimed the district as dry as the plains of Peru. County Judge Goodin, in speaking of the matter, said: "I think the matter is settled, so far as I am concerned, although I am not speaking for the balance of the Board. It would cost something to get the matter to the supreme court and it would take six months or a year to try it out. I do not think it will be carried up if left to the court.

HILLSBORO TIME TABLE

Under the new schedule the passenger trains in and out of Hillsboro arrive and leave as follows:

Leaves for Portland—	
Forest Grove Local	6:51 a. m.
Sheridan Flyer	9:12 a. m.
Forest Grove Local	10:42 a. m.
Forest Grove Local	3:42 p. m.
Corvallis Overland	4:59 p. m.
Arrives from Portland—	
Corvallis Overland	8:24 a. m.
Forest Grove Local	9:57 a. m.
Forest Grove Local	2:07 p. m.
Sheridan Flyer	5:20 p. m.
Forest Grove Local	6:47 p. m.

MISS CAROLINE BASFORD

Miss Caroline Basford, aged 62 years, died at the home of her brother, H. M Basford, Thursday, August 13, 1908 Deceased was a native of New Hampshire, and for years has kept house for her brother. They settled here over a year ago, having purchased the Cornelius Brown place, below the Harris bridge, southeast of Newton.

For Sale or Rent

The Hillsboro Flouring Mill; capacity, 70 barrels; has a large storing capacity. Also, the Hillsboro Warehouse, capacity, 200,000 bushels. Will be sold separate, or together. Apply to

John Milne, Hillsboro. 16 27

The Glencoe baseball team was beaten by Helvetia on the local grounds Sunday. The married men of Hillsboro played a six-inning game with the singles, with the result of a score of 7 to 5 in the favor of the Benedicts. Art Shute played 1st base; Roy Moore pitched; Tom Williams caught; Gartner played 3rd base and Moore played second for the married men, and they all covered themselves with glory. The game was called to allow the Glencoe-Helvetia game.

J. W. Connell and J. W. Bailey were up above Mountaindale, Sunday, and witnessed the killing of a deer by Thos. Willis. Fred Cornelius and John Houser were also up with the party.

R Pubols, of the Martin Smith ranch, West Union, was in the last of the week, and states that the wheat went 25 bushels to the acre out his way.

Special discount of 15 per cent on screen doors and adjustable window screens, for short time only, at Patterson's.

L. F. Carstens, of Greenville, was in town Saturday, much improved in health.

Fred Wilcox, of Greenville, was in town Monday.

Jake Smith, of North Plains, was in the last of the week.

Rev. J. Soper, of near Scholls, was in the city Friday.

John Ritter, of Helvetia, was down to the hub, Friday.

G. H. Pranger, of Leisyville, was in the city Saturday.

Julius Asbahr, of South Tualatin, was in town Saturday.

Butterick Fashion book, and any pattern, for 25 cents at Baird's.

J. A Long and A. E. McCumsey were in from above Mountaindale, Saturday.

Chas. Hickethier, of Cedar Mill, was up to the county seat the last of the week.

Fred Zilly, with Irwin Hodson, was a guest at the T. R Imbrie home this week.

Wm. Joos and Wendell Davis, of beyond Glencoe, were in town Friday morning.

J. B Walker, of Beaverton, was in town Friday, the guest of his mother, Mrs. Mary Walker.

Bert Mead, the Buxton old-timer, visited here the current week, with headquarters at the Tualatin.

A. F. Millard, formerly of Kinton, now of Portland, was in the city Saturday, greeting friends.

Money to loan on real estate Terms reasonable. Apply to Kuratli Bros., Hillsboro, Or. 21-tf

Ed Northrup, of Shady Brook, and Eugene Delplanche, of Centerville, were in the city Saturday.

For gentlemen's, ladies' and children's hose you can do no better than to buy of John Dennis.

J. A. Zimmerman and H. M Basford, of Harris Bridge, on the Tualatin, were up to the city Friday.

Hop pickers wanted. Apply or write to Joseph Cawrse, Cornelius, Oregon, R. 1. Pacific States' phone 31x2. 20-3

Chas. Meacham and wife, of Mountaindale, were in Friday, and spent the day with Henry Hesse and family.

Geo. Sloan and Bud Watson, of Forest Grove, were down the last of the week, mixing with Hillsboro business men.

Hop pickers wanted at the Reedville hop yard. No Japs employed. Address W. W. Hostetler, Reedville, Ore. 21-tf

Warren W. Williams, of Mountaindale, and his neighbor, Alfred Erickson, were down to the city Friday, on business.

W. P. Beard, who has been up in the Cascade Locks district all summer, was here the last of the week, enroute to Banks.

Geo. Krebs, of Helvetia, was down to the city Friday, and says that threshing is under way, with a fair yield, in his section.

Jacob Raffety, of Mountaindale, and who has been up in that country since Dairy creek first was a stream, was in town Saturday.

Wanted, at once—Bids on 500 cords of first-class cord wood, delivered at Hillsboro. Address, "Wood," Argus office 21-24

Dr. A. B. Bailey and District Attorney Tongue hunted and fished over on the Trask the current week, going in via North Yamhill.

The Post Card Bazaar has just received a lot of photographic views of Hillsboro. Nice things to send to your Eastern friends. 22-tf

H. G. Guild and wife are spending the week with relatives at Elk City, and at the beach at Newport They will return the first of next week.

Chas. Koontz and wife and Miss Maud Alexander returned the last of the week from a visit at Seattle. Miss Alexander is much improved in health.

Peter Grossen, of near West Union, was in town Friday, enroute home from Buxton, where he went on insurance business for the Bethany Mutual.

A. G. Watson, of Forest Grove, has sued W. E. Beard and his former partner, Mizner, for money due on a note, and the Banks' property of defendants has been attached by Deputy Sheriff Downs to satisfy the claim.

Word has been received here that Arthur Gilmore, for years connected with the Hillsboro light and water plant, was badly burned at Clear Lake, Iowa, a few days ago. He was repairing a gasoline launch, and his helper was smoking a pipe. The gasoline ignited, badly burning Gilmore about the hands and face, and it is feared that he will lose his eyesight. Gilmore is a son-in-law of Mrs. Lane, and he and his wife are on a honeymoon in Iowa.

MOVE WHEELS FOR THE BIG STREET FAIR

Mayor Dennis Names Several Important Committees

TO START ACTIVELY TO WORK

Postmaster Ben Cornelius Appointed Secretary

At a meeting of the executive committee on the street carnival, last week, B. P. Cornelius was elected secretary, and the big show will soon be on its feet. Stockmen will be approached with the purpose of making a fine stock exhibit—something better than is usual, and to this end cash prizes are to be offered. The committees selected at the meeting follow:

Program—B. P. Cornelius, Dr. F. A. Bailey and H. G. Guild.

Advertising—L. A. Long, Editors Killen and Guild.

Soliciting Funds—W. V. Wiley, Cal. Jack and Edward Schulmerich.

Music—A. C. Shute, Mrs. S. T. Linklater and Elisabeth Smith.

Agricultural Exhibits—Thos Connell, Glencoe; F M. Kelsay and F. J. Williams, Hillsboro.

Horticulture—Geo. H. Wilcox, Hillsboro; W. R Harris, Forest Grove, and A. McGill, Orenco.

Cattle Exhibit—James H. Sewell, Wm. Schulmerich, Dr. A. B. Bailey.

Horses—Samuel Moon, Centerville; John W. Connell, Hillsboro, and H. B. Johnson, Forest Grove.

Poultry—G. A. Patterson, R. H. Greer, Hillsboro, and Geo. O. Sloan, Forest Grove.

Sheep and Goats—John Milne, Hillsboro; Ferd Groner, Scholls, and George Naylor, Forest Grove.

Swine Exhibit—Richard Beamish, Homer Emmott and Benj. Birdsell.

Sewing Contest—Mrs. Joseph Downs, Mrs. E. W. Moore and Mrs. J. A. Imbrie.

Committee on Races—C. W. Redmond, E. B. Tongue, Hillsboro, and Thos. Talbot, Cornelius.

The various committees will get to work at once, and from the appointments it is to feel that we will have the best featured exhibit yet seen here.

H. C. HUNTER DEAD

H. C. Hunter, aged 84 years, died at Beaverton, Sunday, August 16. Deceased was born in Circleville, Ohio, May 18, 1825, and was wedded to Ruanna Becker in 1848. In 1849 he and his wife went to California, and later to Oregon. Going east he made his second trip to Oregon in 1875 and settled at Beaverton. His wife and the following children survive:

Alonzo Hunter, A. L. Hunter, Sunnyside, Ore.; W. H. and J. F. Hunter, Beaverton; Mrs. H. C. Hausafus, Arlington; Mrs. J. H. Ellerson, Beaverton; and Mrs. H. J. Poitras, Portland. The funeral took place Tuesday. Mr. Hunter was a democrat of the old school and well remembered the memorable campaign when Andrew Jackson was elected president.

PRIDEAUX-SORENSON

Arthur J. Prideaux, of Marion county, and Miss Frances T. Sorenson, of Forest Grove, were married at that place, Saturday, August 15, 1908. Both are graduates of P. U. The groom was prominent in athletic and oratorical circles at the University, and the bride taught in the Forest Grove public schools last year.

Sam Smith and wife were down from the Gales Creek country, the last of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, it will be remembered, had a "double wedding" a few weeks ago—being married at the Tualatin at 2:00 in the afternoon, and at Gales Creek in the evening—all because a Gales Creek Justice held Cupid's court out of his jurisdiction. Here's a knot that should be well tied.

Coroner E. C. Brown has received word that J. H. Cockerham, of McMinnville, has located his relative, Eborn Perdue, formerly on the coast, and that he is now married and living at Fries, Virginia. This was the Perdue Cockerham thought might have been the murdered man found near Timber.

W. L. Soehren, of Dallas, and who has charge of H. V. Gates' water system at that place was in town over Sunday, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Elsworth Wilkes, Lester Soehren, of Los Gatos, Cal., was also a guest of his sister over Sunday.

Ulysses Jackson, a Washington county oldtimer, is down from Fossil, spending a week with relatives out in the Glencoe section. He is a brother of John W. and W. C. Jackson.

Thos. Bailey and friend, John Beck, of Portland, came out Sunday and started for a few days' outing above Denny's.

For Sale—Sanders' double-disc plow, nearly new.—J. N. Miller, Hillsboro, R. D. 4. 21-tf

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Statement of Condition of

Hillsboro Commercial Bank

at the close of business, July 15, 1908

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans	$181,361.68	Capitol Stock	$ 25,000.00
Cash and due from banks	98,336.36	Surplus	10,000.00
Real estate	6 800.00	Undivided profits	930.13
Furniture, Fixtures	2,700.00	Deposits	253,267.91
	$289,198.04		$289,198.04

Attest:
Geo. Schulmerich, Cashier

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