

J. C. LA FRANCE IS BOUND OVER

Insurance Swindler Arrested at Coquille Held to Grand Jury—Stormy Scene

The Portland authorities have been unable to find any definite clue yet as to where J. C. LaFrance, the insurance swindler who was arrested at Coquille about a month ago, obtained the body which he palmed off as his own to secure the \$15,500 life insurance. LaFrance is keeping mum on this point, although he has told the whole story about the other phases of the mystery. Some believe that he is withholding this information for the purpose of being able to mulet different parties when he again secures his freedom, as it will be a strong club to use.

Concerning the latest development in the case, the Oregonian says: "Almost a fist fight occurred yesterday in front of the Municipal Court between representatives of the District Attorney's office and Boon Cason, a Police Court attorney, over the lawyer's pretended right to appear on behalf of Jas. C. LaFrance, accused of swindling insurance companies by substituting the body of another for his own. Acting upon the prisoner's assurance that he had authorized no attorney to appear for him, the state objected to Cason's acting in the case, and this brought on a heated argument.

Proceeding on the assumption that LaFrance did not desire to make a fight, the prosecution was unprepared yesterday when Cason appeared before Judge Tazewell and demanded an immediate hearing. The case had been postponed from time to time ever since LaFrance's arrest, awaiting developments as to where he obtained the substituted body.

Late yesterday morning a hurried call was sent to the Court-house to produce the prisoner and the witnesses against him. On the way to court LaFrance assured Deputy Murphy and Thomas Ryan that he had engaged no attorney, though Cason and others had solicited him at the county jail. Later, upon whispered assurances that it would cost him nothing, he consented to allow Cason to appear for him, and he was held to the grand jury.

Cason threatened to whip Ryan, but the latter pulled off his spectacles and invited the assault, which did not take place.

L. M. NOBLE'S HOUSE AFIRE

Blaze Extinguished Saturday Night Before Much Damage Was Done to Property

Had it not been for the thoughtfulness and prompt action of Walter Butler Saturday evening, the L. M. Noble residence on Pine street would have undoubtedly been destroyed by fire Saturday night. As it was, the fire was discovered and extinguished before it got much headway and the damage will probably not exceed \$75.

Mr. Butler was going home and noticed that the chimney was burning out. He stopped to tell Mr. Noble but the latter had retired. When he got home, he spoke to his sister and the latter went to look at it. She said that there was a light in the house and that some of the Noble family must have got up. It looked as though the electric light had been turned on but Walter was uneasy and he went down to see. When he got there, he found the corner of the room around the chimney on fire and all of the family fast asleep upstairs.

He immediately turned in the alarm and the firemen responded promptly. The fire had not worked up far between the walls and by chopping out around the chimney, the blaze was soon extinguished.

It seems that Mr. Noble recently had the house raised and repaired and in raising it, the chimney was cracked.

A few months ago Mr. Noble had a fire scare caused by a small tree being burned in the fire place setting fire to the interior of the room.

BANDON WINS SUNDAY GAMES

Hull Has an Off Day and Allows Eight Hits—Final Score Five to Two

North Bend lost to Bandon yesterday by a score of five to two, Hull having an off day. Bandon landed on him for eight hits, while Cooper and Osbourn held North Bend down to four hits, Osbourn finishing the game for Bandon.

North Bend made its two scores by team work at the bat. Surbeck is credited with two singles, Sater with one and McDonald one.

For Bandon, Osburn hit safely twice, Johnson twice, Van Northwick, Smith Spencer and Elwood once each.

The North Bend team regards Coquille as a stronger aggregation, despite yesterday's result. The score:

North Bend	AB.	R.	PO.	A.	E.
Gaffney, 2b	3	0	4	0	0
Young, lf	4	0	1	0	0
Surbeck, rf	4	0	1	0	0
Kissam, lb	4	0	7	0	0
Sater, ss	3	0	1	3	0
Keller, 3b	4	0	2	1	0
McDonald, cf	3	1	1	0	0
Thomas, c	2	0	5	0	0
Hull, p	1	0	2	5	0
	28	2	24	9	0

Bandon	AB.	R.	PO.	A.	E.
Segbey, 3b	3	0	1	3	2
Pierce, cf	4	0	1	0	0
Van, ss	4	2	2	1	0
Smith, cf	2	1	1	0	0
Spencer, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Elwood, 2b	4	0	3	0	0
Cox, lb	3	0	10	0	0
Johnson, c	4	1	8	2	0
Cooper, p	1	0	0	3	1
Osbourne, p	3	0	0	4	1
	32	5	27	13	4

Summary—Three-base hits, Spencer; two-base hits, Surbeck and Johnson; base on balls, off Hull, 2; struck out, by Hull, 5; by Cooper and Osbourne, 7. Hit by pitcher, Hull, 2.

COAST LEAGUE BASEBALL SCORE

Portland Loses Sunday's Game Four to Nothing—Other League Games

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—Saturday's and Sunday's games in the Coast League resulted as follows:

At Oakland	R.	H.	E.
Oakland	3	8	3
Sacramento	8	13	2

(AFTERNOON GAME)

At Venice	R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	2	3	2
Venice	4	4	0

(AFTERNOON GAME)

At Portland	R.	H.	E.
Portland	0	6	3
San Francisco	4	8	0

Saturday's Games.

At Oakland	R.	H.	E.
Oakland	1	6	1
Sacramento	6	12	1

At Venice—R. H. E.

Los Angeles	R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	3	10	3
Venice	2	5	4

At Portland—R. H. E.

Portland	R.	H.	E.
Portland	2	7	2
San Francisco	1	7	0

ANDERSON AND CROSS.

New Bout Arranged for Bud for July Fourth.

Bud Anderson, the Vancouver title aspirant, has finally closed with Leach Cross for July 4 at Vernon. Promoter McCarey, of Los Angeles, alarmed by the efforts of Jimmy Coffroth, of San Francisco, to pit Bud against Tommy Murphy, raised on his guarantee and the deal is practically closed.

Manager Donald did not give out the terms of the guarantee, but it is estimated at between \$5000 and \$6500, with perhaps a privilege of a 30 per cent crack at the house.

That leaves the road clear for the championship match between Willie Ritchie and Joe Rivers at San Francisco July 4.

BANDON ELKS GIVEN PRICE

Tendered Fine Reception to Visitors Yesterday and Won Ball Game Also

It was a glorious day for Elkdom and their friends.

This tells the story of the first ball game between the Coos Bay and Bandon Elks at Bandon yesterday.

If there was anything more that could have been done to show the visitors a good time, no one has been found who could think of it and every visitor to Bandon yesterday, Elks and others, is loud in his praise of the treatment accorded the excursionists by the Bandon Elks and their ladies.

Everybody had a good time. No accidents occurred to mar the event and the only regret is that more of the Coos Bay Elks and their families were not present to enjoy the good time accorded all.

In addition to the big crowd taken by the excursion train, probably 150 people made the trip by auto. Manager Wilson and the Coos Bay band conducted the excursion excellently. The excursion crowd was not as great as was expected, there being 235 paid tickets from Marshfield to Bandon. In addition to possibly 100 to Coquille. Of course the band members, ball players and a few others were taken free, swelling the crowd considerably above the figures given.

The hearty reception accorded the visitors by the Bandon Elks and their wives really made the baseball game which was to have been the feature, take a secondary place. The visiting Elks were taken care of by the Bandon Elks and their wives and the ladies were taken care of by the Bandon ladies and everything was free.

A number of good stunts were pulled. The visitors were escorted to the hall, where Mayor Mast in a few words welcomed the visitors and turned city over to them and Exalted Ruler W. H. Kennedy, of the Marshfield lodge responded. Then the Marshfield Elks were taken to the Commercial Club to change their uniforms but instead of their regular ball uniforms, they found prison uniforms awaiting them and they had to don the stripes and march to the grounds. It was a regular lockstep.

The town was prettily decorated, stores and homes flying flags and bunting. Everywhere, there were marks of the gala day.

The Ball Game.

The baseball game started off all right with A. H. Powers, of Marshfield, as umpire. Along about the middle of the game, to insure Bandon fans being certain of a square deal, J. T. Sullivan went in as umpire. It was to have been a seven inning game but in the fifth inning, after a few other stunts had been pulled off, evidence, a big dirk knife was discovered. A big dirk knife was dug up near the pitcher's box and Mayor Mast's state troops were called to quell the threatened insurrection. It was too late for the insurgents took to the woods and the state troops with one volley annihilated the fleeing insurgents and the game was a thing of the past. In the melee, the box score was lost but it is claimed that the score was two to one in favor of Bandon. However, owing to doubt, another game will have to be played to determine it and this will be pulled off in Marshfield at a later date. Secretary of the Treasury Hildenbrand reported that there were about 1,000 paid admissions.

The lineups for the Elks' game were:

Marshfield—Catcher, Never-could-catch Dyer; pitcher, Saw Filer Howatt; first base, Blue Print Chandler; second base, Better-on-bench Gardiner; third base, Vice-crusade Liljeqvist; shortstop, Hotair Johnston; right field, Exhausted Rooster Kennedy; center field, Mocking Bird Bultmann; left field, Coal Oil Montgomery; Bench-warmers, Smith, McArthur, Burmister, Doremus and Keating.

Bandon—Third base, Laird; first base, Dimmick; Shortstop, Luffaw; second base, Best; catcher, Rosa; center field, Sturgis; left field, Johnson; right field, Cutlerlin; pitcher, Williams; pitcher, Mann. Pinchhitters, Sullivan, Clayberg, Nielson, Leep and Miller. Pinchrunners, Halley's Comet Wells and Utility Man Coumeril.

Returned Early.

The excursion train returned here about 9 o'clock, good time being made on the trips going and coming. There were three passenger coaches and one box car in the train and many had to stand up. The band occupied the box car. A number who had planned to go did not owing to lack of seats on the train.

Manager Wilson, of the band, said that if they had more cars and had it not been for the automobile competition, he would have had a record-breaking crowd.

THAT WATER CASE.

The North Bend Harbor says: "The Marshfield Water Co. has brought suit against the Simpson Lumber Co. for \$17,000 damages, which is claimed due the company for injury to the pressure and service in North Bend. It is said the company claims that the Simpson mills used so much more water in excess of the contract that the service here was impaired to the extent of the damages claimed. If this is true, the people of North Bend, every patron of the Water Company is entitled to a share of this immense sum claimed as damages, for in no instance that we can hear of was the rate lowered on account of the inadequate service. And further, the Simpson mills are not now using water from the Water Company's mains and the pressure in North Bend is no better than before."

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BIG WRANGLE AT COQUILLE

Marshfield Quits Game in Eighth as Result of Blower's Decision

The Marshfield-Coquille game at Coquille yesterday ended in a wrangle. Marshfield quitting the field in the eighth inning when Umpire Blower called "Sharkey" Perkins out on second after the latter had given up a homerun and accepted a two-bagger. The score at the beginning of the eighth was three to three and Perkins, over whose hit and put-out the wrangle occurred, was the first man up in the first half of the inning.

Umpire Blower declared the game forfeited to Coquille, but Marshfield will protest it and claim that they will produce evidence from Coquille fans to show that the umpire was clearly in the wrong.

The game was a good one, although marred by much "rag chewing," and considerable rowdiness.

Freeman, Marshfield's new captain, pitched a good game, allowing nine hits and keeping them well scattered. Perkins, the new catcher from Gardiner, showed up strong behind the bat in addition to being there with the willow. He had made a home run early in the game and his hit in the eighth inning was far into right field, getting home before the ball got back. After Blower had declared it was only a two-bagger, he went straight back to second and a moment later was tagged out on what Marshfield declares was a "rank steal."

Marshfield was credited with two errors as far as the game went.

Myrtle Point Beaten.

Myrtle Point lost to Coquille by a score of eleven to nothing. It was one-sided from the start, the Myrtle Point players losing their heads at crucial times.

There was a fair crowd out to the games there.

BANDON BAD BOYS.

Chief Holman arrested about a dozen boys Monday for participation in several petty robberies, which have been going on from time to time during the past week or two. Saturday they pilfered several cases of soda water belonging to Jas. Mars and which had been left on the wharf. Friday night, Rosa's store was entered and a small amount of goods taken and again on Sunday night another entrance was effected and goods and money to the value of \$25 was taken. What action will be taken in the case has not yet been decided, but it is thought some of the boys are slated for the reformatory.—Bandon Surf.

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