

LA FRANCE IS NOW ON TRIAL

Alleged Insurance Swindler Who Was Arrested at Coquill Tried in Portland.

FEATURES OF THE TRIAL

The Principal Features of the La France Trial So Far: Evidence was introduced indicating that the man whose body was used in the alleged fraud died violently. La France was identified by Louis Norman as the person who had guided Norman to the body on the river bank, and quickly disappeared. Reading was begun in open court of the confession which La France made and signed soon after his arrest, but which his subsequent plea of not guilty repudiates.

Portland, Or., Oct. 13.—The trial of James C. La France on the charge of having defrauded the Modern Woodmen of America out of \$3000 life insurance by having falsely represented that he was dead and having passed off as the body of himself a body of an unknown person found on the shore of the Clackamas River near Estacada was continued until today.

The trial was suspended with Deputy District Attorney McGuire on the witness stand testifying to an alleged confession of a conspiracy to defraud, made by La France after his arrest.

A sensational feature of this evidence was the testimony of Louis Norman, who was one of a party of four fishermen who found the body on the Clackamas River.

Norman testified that his party was directed to the body by a man whom he afterwards identified as bearing a close resemblance to La France, and that he was convinced that the man was La France.

A gruesome exhibit introduced by the state was the skull and shirt of the dead man which was brought in to the court room by A. R. Hawkins, sexton of the Escada cemetery, in a cheese-cloth bag.

In its evidence the state covered the finding of the body and the collection of \$15,000 insurance money by Mrs. La France on the life of her husband.

Since his arrest it is alleged that La France has told several stories relative to the identity of the body passed off as his, but all efforts of the district attorney's office to confirm them have been fruitless.

Evidence has been introduced to the effect that one rib of the corpse was fractured. A hole was also found in the shirt. A foul play theory may be developed from these circumstances in an attempt to determine the identity of the body.

Mrs. La France, who is also under indictment, will be tried separately.

WANT SWING TYPE BRIDGE

Port Commission Would Prefer it to Lift Type—Plan for Dredging.

At a meeting of the Port of Coos Bay this morning, the proposition of changing the style of a drawbridge across Coos Bay from the swinging draw to the lift draw was left in the hands of the U. S. engineers. However, Secretary Sengstacken was instructed to write to the U. S. engineers that the Port would prefer that the swing type be retained, but that if it was changed to the lift, the Port desired a clearance of at least 225 feet, instead of 200 feet as proposed by the Southern Pacific, and a maximum height of at least 190 feet. The swinging draw, first proposed by the Southern Pacific, provided two 200-foot clearances while the lift now proposed allows only 200 feet.

Change Harbor Lines.

A letter from Major Morrow stating that he would be on the Bay the latter part of this month to take up the matter of changing the harbor line in front of North Bend was read. The matter was left in the hands of L. J. Simpson to arrange for the necessary public hearing.

For Warehouse.

The warehouse committee, consisting of Messrs. Powers, Loggie and Rogers, was instructed to have plans prepared for building a warehouse on the Port property near the Standard Oil dock. They will then lease space in it to the Union Oil Company but they will not lease the whole warehouse for the rent proposed by the company. The proposed warehouse will probably be something like the Standard Oil warehouse.

For Cooston Channel.

H. W. Walker, of Cooston, was present and asked aid of the Port in dredging the Willamette Inlet channel. He said the Coos County Commissioners had agreed to put up dollar for dollar with the residents for dredging it and he asked that the Port do likewise. He said it was estimated that it would cost \$2100 to dredge the channel and the Port Commissioners agreed to appropriate \$700 for it.

Contract for Pipeline.

It was practically agreed to enter into a contract with Manager R. E. Miller of the dredge Seattle to handle the pipe line on the balance of the work at the rate of a cent and three-quarters per cubic yard. He offered a contract to do it for this price if he was insured a minimum of 750,000 feet.

A question was raised about the Archer Land Company and the Eastside Company paying for the fill on their properties. Messrs. Simpson and Loggie thought that they should be compelled to pay the same as anyone else, their idea being that every owner of property who was benefitted by the fill should pay alike. However, there does not seem to be any place to pump the dredgings from Isthmus Inlet except into those two tracts. On the Archer tract, the fill was estimated to be worth, for handling pipe line, \$800 and \$1750 on the Eastside tract.

There was a question about having sufficient to fill all the area in South Marshfield that it is desired to fill, but it was found that there would be ample. It was also agreed that all property should be filled to the same level. Engineer Charlston estimated the yardage to be removed as follows:

From the point of beginning in Isthmus Inlet to near Smith mills, 46,000 yards.

From mills to Libby coal bunkers, 100,000.

From Libby coal bunkers to opposite Market avenue, 600,000 yards.

From Market avenue to mouth of Coos River, 100,000 yards.

This makes a total of 1,100,000 yards, about.

It was also agreed to fill in the areas of rather guarantee the fill in order that petitions for them are filed.

Manager Miller stated that the Seattle had been retained and was now working nicely and would be ready to shift from North Bend soon.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

May Locate.—Geo. Ridout, a certified public accountant, recently of Portland and San Francisco arrived here Saturday via Bandon and may decide to locate here. He comes highly recommended.

Wealthy Men Here.—W. C. Thatcher, whose father is president of the First National Bank of Pueblo, Colo., and a large mine owner of that section, is spending a few days here. He is accompanied by his valet, Luis Pellus, who is master of five languages and a chauffeur. Thatcher is a young man and was making an auto tour of the coast for the benefit of his health. Wet weather overtook them at Roseburg and he shipped his Lozier car to San Francisco and came here for a few days. He had expected General Manager Mitchell of the Santa Fe lines in Colorado to accompany him on the hunting and fishing trip, but the latter could not get away. Thatcher's father is rated as one of the wealthiest men in Colorado. W. R. Haines estimating his wealth at over \$20,000,000.

Along the Waterfront.

The Adeline Smith arrived today from Bay Point.

The Brooklyn and Bandon arrived in at Bandon today from San Francisco.

The Tillamook arrived at Bandon Saturday from Portland.

The Grace Dollar sailed Saturday from Bandon for San Francisco.

BUYS PIANO.

F. E. Grimes purchased a new high-grade Ludwig piano of the Wiley B. Allen Co., of which L. L. Thomas is manager.

Economy In Buying Clothes

does not consist in saving a dollar or so upon first cost, but in securing maximum value for the price you pay.

Just Take a Look

at the splendid assortment of new styles in Men's and Young Men's wear we are now showing. Note the exceptional style—the extra value quality—the unusually low prices.

Then You'll Know Why

we are so anxious to have you buy your new suit and furnishings here. It means that when you learn the better quality—the newer styles and the more lasting satisfaction you get here—

That You'll Come Again

and the price you pay is no more—always less than you pay elsewhere, because you only pay for your own goods, not the dead-beats' bills.

"Money Talks"

SUITS	OVERCOATS	RAINCOATS	SLIPONS
\$1.50, \$17, \$18, \$20 up to \$40	\$15, \$17, \$20, \$25, up to \$40	\$15, \$17, \$25, \$30 up to \$35	\$10, \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25

A Little Better
Value at a
Little Less
Price Always.
"Money Talks."

HUB CLOTHING & SHOE CO.
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FULL VALUE
for every
DOLLAR
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Have to Buy.
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PLAN TO VOTE ON GYMNASIUM

School Board to Submit Proposition and Also One for Improving Grounds.

Plans for the erection of a gymnasium and for improving the grounds around the High School building will be submitted to the annual school election next month when the school tax levy for the current year is voted. Between \$7,500 and \$10,000 will probably have to be voted to carry out the plan.

This was decided on at the last meeting of the Marshfield School Board. The details of it will be worked out soon so that ten days official notice can be given up to the proposition.

When the plan was first considered, it was proposed to erect a gymnasium in which there should be a swimming pool northwest of the High School building. However on further discussion, it has been decided to erect the gymnasium south of the High School and grade down the High School grounds, converting the tract west of the school house into a playground, which is sorely needed.

Incidentally the latter plan will permit the improvement of the High School grounds, something that is badly needed. The grounds have been an eye sore to many, many of the old stumps being left there and comparatively little grading except what was necessary for the erection of the building having been done.

The School Board has had the improvement of the grounds under consideration for some time, but have been handicapped by lack of funds, not feeling so soon after the erection of the costly High School building that they would be justified in the additional expense. However, now they feel that the matter can be arranged.

The plan would be to grade down the lot, using the surplus dirt from north of the building and elsewhere to fill the low part. This would afford ample playgrounds during the dry weather for the high school and the graded pupils. There is a little over four acres in the High School tract and ample grounds for football and baseball will be afforded.

Some have suggested that the School District purchase additional land near the High School and get sufficient to make a regular athletic park for school and other athletics here. However, it is not believed that this is feasible now, owing to the prices at which the property in that vicinity is being held.

ALLIANCE IN FROM EUREKA

Steamer Arrives This Morning and Will Sail Tonight—Big Salmon Shipment.

The Alliance arrived in today from Eureka and will sail at 9 o'clock tonight for Portland. She was delayed somewhat by the fog and was kept here longer than was expected to load a big shipment of salmon. She will take out 1,600 cases and eight teen tierces of salmon from the Tallant canneries.

Partes on the Alliance report that the Portland Northwest League team and the recruits defeated Eureka in the first game there, four to nothing.

Among those arriving on the Alliance were:

E. F. Hansen, Fay Ross, Hazel Barnett, J. L. Ross, W. L. Luce, C. Mass, O. J. Misa, L. B. Yarsen, C. W. Robbins, A. C. Ullery, A. Harper, O. Carr and O. Kilsof.

RAINBOW WILL BE SOLD SOON

New Boat to be Bought for South Coos River Service—Alert to be Overhauled.

Arrangements have been practically concluded for the purchase of the fast and commodious boat, Rainbow, by Herbert Rogers and E. George Smith, who will put her on the South Coos River run.

The Rainbow was built by Capt. C. E. Edwards of Allegany, to be operated in connection with the auto service out via Allegany and Loon Lake to Drain, but owing to the comparatively short season, there is not sufficient traffic for her. There has been a growing demand on South Coos River for better boat service, the business increasing considerably and so Messrs. Rogers and Smith are arranging to meet it.

It is likely that the Express, which has been on the South Coos River run, will be put in service on the North Fork for awhile, until the steamer Alert is overhauled.

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MANY ARRIVE ON REDONDO

Steamer in Sunday From San Francisco With Large Cargo and List of Passengers.

The Redondo arrived in yesterday from San Francisco with a large cargo of freight and a capacity list of passengers. She had a good trip up the coast.

As to the rumors of the sale of the Redondo, no one on her appeared to definitely know whether it had been closed or not. It was stated that the Pacific Coast Steamship company had been negotiating for the Redondo and some thought that the sale was likely to be closed. It is understood that the Redondo is held at about \$100,000.

In addition to the miscellaneous lot of freight, including big shipments of sewer pipes and brick, the Redondo had a large locomotive and tender for the Smith-Powers company. It is the same type Baldwin as the locomotive which they bought some time ago and is for use on the Myrtle Point extension.

The Redondo will sail Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock. Among those arriving on the Redondo were:

J. Hacker, Mrs. J. T. Ross, Mrs. Mary McKnight, Mrs. C. A. Metlin, T. A. Williams, A. Peroni, T. Griza, F. C. Markup, F. W. Bertram, F. C. Kilpatrick, T. C. Neary, M. Markowitz, E. C. Nienstadt, G. H. Doll, Mrs. Jackson, Miss McGraw, Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. L. W. Stine, Mrs. McBrearty, Mr. Lando and Mrs. Lando, J. D. Cornwall, E. Z. Fenton and Mrs. Fenton.

NOTED BREWER PASSES AWAY

Adolphus Busch, Who Made Enormous Fortune Out of Beer, Dies in Germany.

LAGENSCHWALBACH, Germany, Oct. 13.—Adolphus Busch, multi-millionaire St. Louis brewer, died, aged 76 years.

Adolphus Busch was perhaps best known to his fellow Americans by the brew that bears his name. He came to this country from Germany in 1857, when a youth of 18 years.

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COAST LEAGUE BALL SCORES

Portland Takes Two Games From Venice Sunday, Making Series 3 Out of 7.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 13.—Portland took both games of the double-header from Venice at Venice yesterday, making three out of seven games that she has won at the Southern California town. The scores yesterday:

At Oakland—
Los Angeles R. H. E.
Oakland 3 9 2

(Afternoon game.)
Los Angeles 0 4 3
Oakland 5 7 0

At Los Angeles—
Portland R. H. E.
Venice 3 0 2

(Afternoon Game.)
Portland 5 8 1
Venice 1 3 6

At Sacramento—
Sacramento R. H. E.
San Francisco 0 6 1

Saturday's Games.
League results as follows:

At Sacramento—
San Francisco R. H. E.
Sacramento 10 8 4

At Venice—
Portland R. H. E.
Venice 2 6 3

At Oakland—
Los Angeles R. H. E.
Oakland 1 8 2

(Ten Innings.)
Portland 2 7 2

making an alliance with Anheuser family of St. Louis. In 1865 he became a partner in the E. Anheuser Brewing Company which later became the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association. At the head of this institution he built up an enormous fortune, estimated at about \$60,000,000.

Although a sufferer from dropsy for the past seven years his condition was never regarded as serious and his death came unexpectedly. In recent years Mr. Busch had spent but little time in St. Louis, residing in California in wintertime and going to Germany every summer. He is said to have owned several millions of dollars' worth of property in California alone.

He is survived by a widow, five daughters and two sons. He was the last of 21 children, dying at the age of 76.

If you have anything to sell, rent, trade, or want help, try a Want Ad in The Times.

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OREGON 1913 CROP IS

Would Give Every Man, Woman and Child in State \$200 Equally Divided.

CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. 12.—A sum of \$200 for every man, woman and child in Oregon would be the share of the value of the state's agricultural products for the year, if distributed equally among them. The valuation of farm products is almost \$110,000,000, slightly under \$100,000,000. If the share of farmers in the state is 40 per cent, the value of the farm products is \$44,000,000. The exact valuation placed on farm crops by Dr. Withycombe, \$74,099,165, and the value of agricultural products is estimated at \$65,465,509. The grand total is \$139,564,674. This is almost 600,000 greater than the value last year, and indicates a prosperity. The average Oregonian seems to be getting beyond the hard times.

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The estimated estimates are as follows:

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Agricultural Crops, 1913.

Wheat 22,146,887

Oats 16,318,450

Barley 5,083,311

Clover seed 170,000

Potatoes 7,874,517

Hay 1,511,621

Hops 130,000

Fruit 1,187,500

Vegetables 1,187,500

Mis. prod. 1,187,500

Other Agricultural Products, 1913.

Dairy products 1,187,500

Poultry and eggs 1,187,500

Wool, 15,750,000 lbs. 1,187,500

Mohair, 1,187,500 lbs. 1,187,500

Honey 1,187,500

Live stock 1,187,500

Total 1,187,500

COALEDO BASKET

There is to be a basket

Coaledo Saturday evening

chapel. The people of Coaledo

endeavoring to raise money

plete their chapel and have

this social. A general good

assured all who attend.

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