

WHERE ROLLS THE OREGON... Tonight and Wednesday, partly cloudy; westerly winds.

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PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 9, 1903.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

BRUTAL CRIME WAS HIS

Victor Walkerz Who Murdered Old Mrs. Leroy of Oakland and Buried Her Body in the Yard is Apprehended.

Found Hiding in a Wagon by Sheriff Who Was in Pursuit—Mulatto Did Not Deny His Guilt When Arrested.

Says That He Was Made to Drink by His White Paramour and While in That Condition Did the Deed.

(Journal Special Service.) SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—The search for Victor Walkerz, the murderer of old Mrs. Leroy of Oakland a month ago, ended yesterday near Hollister, when Sheriff Croxon of San Benito County...

METEOR FALLS IN CALIFORNIA FIELD

It Is Seen By Many People Who Gather Pieces to Save as Souvenirs.

(Journal Special Service.) BAKERSFIELD, June 9.—A large meteor fell blazing from the sky, striking the earth near the Claudia farm at Delano, Sunday night. The aerial visitor was seen by a large number of persons and was easily located, as it set fire to the grass...

GUNS NOT NEEDED; SHIPS STAY AWAY

American Interests Safe From Molestation by the Chilean Strikers at Valparaiso.

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, June 9.—Upon cable advices from Minister Wilson at Valparaiso, Chile, the strike situation is again reassuring, and the orders which were issued yesterday to Rear Admiral Sumner to take his vessels to the scene of the disturbances, were this morning countermanded.

TRIAL DELAYED

(Journal Special Service.) JACKSON, June 9.—The cases of Jett and White were not called for trial this morning, as the strike situation is again reassuring, and the orders which were issued yesterday to Rear Admiral Sumner to take his vessels to the scene of the disturbances, were this morning countermanded.

MORE WAITERS STRIKE

(Journal Special Service.) CHICAGO, June 9.—The waiters and cooks of two of the largest downtown eating establishments struck this morning. The Hamilton and University Clubs, two of the most exclusive organizations in the city, are slated for a tie-up this evening.

COOPERAGE PLANT BURNS

(Journal Special Service.) BOSTON, Mass., June 9.—The entire plant of the Cooperage Company at South Boston was destroyed by fire this morning, entailing a loss of \$250,000.

CRIMINAL SUITS ARE THREATENED

DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS ACTING

Rigid Investigation into the Accounts of Former County Clerk, Which Were Short, Has Commenced.

Numerous Witnesses Subpoenaed and Searching Inquiry Will Be Made Into Alleged Delinquencies.

Total Shortage Amounts to \$3,500 and the Bondsmen of the Officials Concerned Are Responsible to the County.

District Attorney John Manning has inaugurated a thorough investigation of the shortages discovered in the accounts of former county clerks, and criminal as well as civil proceedings may follow if he finds such action justified by the results of his inquiries.

The shortage reported by the expert who was employed to examine the county books were largely in the collection of fees and were as follows: H. C. Smith, \$ 25.05; H. H. Holmes, (deceased), 2,954.86; L. Q. Swetland, \$18.50.

Immediately after the report of the expert was filed in April, his findings were checked up in the interest of Mrs. H. H. Holmes and L. Q. Swetland. It was stated at the time that they would publish the result of their independent investigation, and that if the shortages found by the expert were correct, the county would be reimbursed. Though more than two months have elapsed nothing further has been heard from them.

PATROLMAN SLOAN MAY BE RETAINED

Commissioners Will Probably Overlook Officer's Alleged Political Shortcomings.

Millard F. Sloan may yet become a permanent member of the Portland Police Department. He was discharged, he alleges, because he has been and still is affiliated with the Simon faction in Oregon Republican politics.

Capitalists Want Mayor Mulvihill Ousted



MAYOR MULVIHILL AS A STOKER.

TERRORS OF FLOOD HOLD ON

While the Waters of the Mississippi Are at a Standstill at St. Louis Death and Destruction Continues.

In East St. Louis Business is Abandoned and All Hands Turn Out to Endeavor to Save Weakened Levees.

Twenty-Five Thousand People Are Homeless in Madison, Granite City and Venice and Fatalities Happen.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 9.—The flood situation remains practically unchanged here at noon today. The water is at a standstill since early this morning, when it was reported that a fall of four inches had resulted.

In East St. Louis the conditions are appalling and abominable. Transportation is cut off; freight traffic abandoned. Three miles of manufacturing and business plants along the river are flooded with five and eight feet of water. Thousands of cattle have been drowned and many lives sacrificed.

TOPEKA, Kas., June 9.—It is believed that the Governor of the state will call a special meeting of the Legislature to sit within the next two weeks, that means may be provided for caring for the many who have been rendered absolutely penniless by the disasters of the recent floods.

KANSAS CITY, June 9.—The Missouri and also the Kaw are falling actively. Since yesterday at noon nearly two feet depression in the flows has been recorded. The care for the destitute and the sick is the great burden of the relief committees today.

TOPEKA, June 9.—In response to the Mayor's proclamation stating that not enough day laborers are obtainable \$600 business men and clerks from Topeka today are shoveling mud in North Topeka.



MAYOR DENIS MULVIHILL'S BUSINESS.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., June 9.—The official head of Mayor Mulvihill, Bridgeport's stoker-Mayor, is in jeopardy. From a common stoker, Mulvihill was made Mayor of the big city.

CORSET TURNED WEAPON

Deflected Knife Blow Alleged to Have Been Aimed at the Heart of Miss Della Ostbye at Mount Tabor.

Frank B. Ridney, Charged With Assault With a Dangerous Weapon, is Before the Court as the Result.

Young Woman Alleged to Have Been Assailed by Jealous Suitor While Walking With Another Man.

A corset worn by Miss Della Ostbye for the sake of form acted as a shirt-of-mail to turn aside the point of a knife alleged to have been aimed at her heart, and as a result the young woman who thus miraculously escaped injury is appearing this afternoon in Justice Graham's Mount Tabor Court, as a witness against Frank B. Ridney, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

The trouble which is being aired in court occurred at an early hour Sunday morning in Center Addition, near Mount Tabor. It is claimed that Miss Ostbye was walking out in the company of a young man named Ellice, when Ridney suddenly appeared and struck at her with a knife.

The blade, it is said, penetrated the thin shirtwaist worn by the young woman, but struck the padding and steel ribs of her corset and was deflected from her body, not even drawing blood. Her clothing was badly cut, but beyond a rather severe nervous shock the girl escaped entirely without injury.

Ridney, who is a married man, lives near the home of Miss Ostbye, in Center Addition, and it is charged that he has been attentive to the girl, who is said to have spurned his advances.

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 9.—While repairing a trestle on the Seaboard Air Line over Broad River yesterday afternoon a locomotive and plow went down, precipitating the engineer and crew of ten men into the water. Three were killed and the others injured.

EX-WIFE MURDERS BAD MAN

After Being Divorced Standifer Marries Sister of the Woman Who Could No Longer Live With Him.

Visits Home of Former Wife and Abuses Her Fearfully—She Says She Will Have Him Arrested for Act.

While Journeying to Town for Purpose of Getting Warrant Meets Former Husband and Deed Occurs.

(Journal Special Service.) HELENA, Mont., June 9.—Mrs. L. Brown of Powderville has given herself into the hands of Sheriff Savage of Custer county, saying that it was she who killed Richard Standifer, formerly her husband, and who afterwards married her sister.

Mrs. Brown told the sheriff that Standifer and his wife were at her ranch visiting about a week ago, and Standifer, her former husband, asked her why she never came over to visit them and she said she replied she did not want to. Upon this Standifer struck her violently in the face and knocked her down.

Standifer asked her where she was going, and she said "To town to have you arrested." Standifer replied: "If you do I'll kill you. I guess I'd better kill you right now."

Then he reached toward his boot after his gun, and Mrs. Brown says she knew him well enough to take no chances and shot him as he stooped over, the bullet hitting him in the back and he fell out of the buggy.

Standifer was released on \$5,000 bail. The poor woman's action is approved by the citizens generally who regard Standifer as a bad character.

GAVE MONEY AWAY DYING PENILESS

(Journal Special Service.) BAKER CITY, Or., June 9.—William L. Burnham, a California argonaut and Eastern Oregon pioneer, died last evening at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He was aged 69 years and death resulted from pneumonia.

He made three fortunes and died without a penny, having literally given his money away. In the olden days of placer mining he found a band of stranded and hungry miners at The Dalles and chartered a boat and took them to Portland.

BAER TESTIFIED

(Journal Special Service.) HOLYOKE, Mass., June 9.—As a result of the strike declared by the employees yesterday 11 coarse-grade paper mills are closed down this morning. There is likely to be a long drawn fight as both the operators and mill owners are determined to win.

He admitted in testifying that rates per ton for merchandise to the Atlantic seaboard were lower than those on coal. He gave as a reason the expense of building spurs to the mines. He further admitted that the financial statement given to the stockholders differed from that given the Interstate Commerce Commission and explained that by saying that the statement given the latter was only such as is required by law.

EDDIE IS FULL OF SORROW

The Wife of Young Millionaire Edgar Sutro, Returns From a Long Visit Home and Discovers Things.

She Finds Some Very Silly Love Letters Written By Her Recreant Spouse to Another Whom He Loved.

Epistles, Were so Gushing in Sentiment That No Other Way Was Left Open But to Seek a Divorce.

(Journal Special Service.) SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—Mrs. Edgar Sutro, who went to visit her home in South Africa, returned yesterday to San Francisco and found letters written by her husband to Mrs. Merrill, who had lived with Sutro at the Latham Hotel during his wife's absence.

"ARCADIA, July 17, 1896—Oh, partly mine—Eddie is very, very sorry because he wrote his poor, sick little, suffering, lonely Minnie such a mean letter. Yes, he is very sorry. You will forgive your Eddie, won't you, partly mine. He will not do so again."

Young Sutro is the son of the late Adolph Sutro, multi-millionaire. He is past 30 and enjoys the income from many thousands per year.

The Mrs. Merrill in the case is not as prepossessing as the man's wife as frowned by her actions with the husband.

FAVORS TAFT OF THE PHILIPPINES

Man High In Authority and Close to President Roosevelt Says Mark Hanna Will be Next Chairman.

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, June 9.—An authority prominent in high administration circles and close to President Roosevelt said in the event of the letter's nomination for the next Presidency, there will be no doubt that the President will personally urge Senator Hanna to retain the chairmanship of the Republican national committee.

SAN FRANCISCO STOCKS

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—10:30 a. m.—Hawalian Commercial, 5 per cent, asked 100; Los Angeles Electric, 5 per cent, 104 bid; Los Angeles Railway, 5 per cent, asked 117; Los Angeles Lighting, 5 per cent, 105 bid; Northern California Power Company, 5 per cent, 92 1/2 bid; Oakland Transit, 5 per cent, 112 1/2 bid, 113 1/4 asked; San Francisco & San Joaquin Valley, 5 per cent, asked 123; Southern Pacific Railroad of Arizona, 1910, 6 per cent, 112 1/2 bid; Hawaiian Sugar, 42 bid, 45 asked; Honokaa, 14 1/4 bid, 15 1/4 asked; Makewell, asked 25; California Fruit Canners, 91 bid; California Wine Association, 100 1/2 bid; Pacific Auxiliary, asked 2.

CALLED THE RACE OFF

(Journal Special Service.) HIGHLANDS, June 9.—The Constitution, Reliance and Columbia had nearly reached the starting point at 2:30 when the regatta committee signaled the race is off. Light winds was the cause. All the forenoon a heavy fog overhung the water. A considerable number of spectators were disappointed.

GLASGOW, June 9.—A duplicate set of stars and medals for Sharnbrook III will be shipped to New York this week. It is expected that the challenger will reach New York about Monday next.

HIS LOVE FOR HER IS ENDED

Birdie McCarty's Eloquent Appeal to Man Who She Claims Wrought Her Ruin, to Save Her From Disgrace.

Breach of Promise Suit For \$70,000 on Trial in Federal Court and Morbidly Curious Crowd Room.

"Would You Want Any One to Treat Your Daughter So?" Says the Plaintiff in Letter to Jim Heryford.

Dear Jim: Your letter of the 10th received this evening as I just came home from Detroit, and words cannot express my feelings when I read those words from you, that you had changed your mind, when it is not two months until we were to be married. Jim, if you had stabbed me to the heart it could not have been worse. Only think of it, man, what it means to me. You, who promised to love and marry me, have now at the last moment almost told me you did not intend to. . . . I hope heaven may spare you the pain you have caused me, and so sure as there is a just God you will have this sin to answer for. Think of me, a woman who gave all her love to you, and trusted you. Jim, no words uttered by a minister could bind us closer than we are. Still, that legal form you now object to. . . . You know I am a poor girl working for my livelihood, and do you think you are treating me justly? Would you want any one to treat your daughter so?—Extract from Birdie McCarty's appeal to Jim Heryford not to pass her by after his alleged promises of love and marriage and working her ruin.

For toying with the heartstrings of Birdie N. McCarty, James D. Heryford is facing a damage suit in the United States Circuit Court in the sum of \$70,000.

The case was called for trial yesterday afternoon and its principals are James Heryford, cattleman and banker of Lakeview, and Miss Birdie N. McCarty, a school teacher, from Michigan. According to the plaintiff Heryford is worth in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million, but the defendant declares he has only \$70,000, the amount of damages asked by the woman.

Protestations of love, broken promises of marriage and her ruin are the charges brought by Miss McCarty against the big stockman. Heryford, on the other hand, declares that the woman has not been compromised, and that he has at all times been willing to take her as his wife.

According to the story of the plaintiff Miss McCarty came to Lakeview in September, 1900, to teach school. She boarded at the home of Heryford, a widower of 45, with four children, Miss McCarty, at the time, was 23 years of age. A strong friendship sprang up between the man and woman and this finally ripened into love. Miss McCarty declared until the summer of 1901, when she returned to Wayne, Mich., to prepare for the wedding.

The two corresponded during the summer until finally the stockman wrote that he no longer loved Miss McCarty, and asked that he be released from his promise to marry her. She wrote begging him to marry her. To this entreaty she received no response, and finally, after several months, upon the advice of attorneys, she threatened suit for breach of promise. Then Heryford agreed to take her, provided she would come to Reno, Nev., but she refused, and last fall suit was filed in the United States Court.

Miss McCarty occupied the witness stand during a greater portion of the trial today. The courtroom was crowded with the morbidly curious, and several women were present listening to the story related by Miss McCarty.

FRAUD IS CHARGED

(Journal Special Service.) SALEM, Or., June 9.—James F. Smith, formerly a street car employee, has been arrested here by Deputy United States Marshal Roberts on a charge of receiving mail belonging to another. Smith last year worked in Seattle. He received, it is said, a letter addressed to F. J. Smith, containing a draft for \$100. He endorsed and cashed the same. When arrested he waived examination before the United States Commissioner and was taken to Seattle for trial.

THE KOREA IS FAST

(Journal Special Service.) SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—The steamship Empress of Japan, for some years holding the speed record in the world, will be seen here in the Korea in a race from Nagasaki to Kobe. The Columbia arrived last night from Portland.