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The Weather—Showers tonight; Sunday probably fair and warmer.

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YESTERDAY WAS

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DOPE FLEDS MURDERED WOLFF

CHARACTER OF CRIME SUGGESTS MEN WERE KNOWN TO PAWNBROKER

DETECTIVES ROUND UP ALL SUSPICIOUS HOBOES

Report, Which Police Deny, That Suspect Is Held at City Prison—Collar Used to Trace Criminals—Man Who Wielded Ax Knew Victim

Despite the denial of Chief Grismacher and other police officers a rumor that would not down to the effect that an arrest had been made of one of the men who so brutally murdered Nathan Wolff in his jewelry store on First street, near Morrison, last night, circulated about the city this morning.

The story of the crime is revolting. Wolff, accustomed to closing his place about 6 o'clock in the evening, had already placed his valuable diamonds and jewelry in the store safe in the front part of the store.

Calling the jeweler to the front of the store, the murderers probably engaged him in a conversation until they had him directly in front of the cash drawer. Here was doubtless where the first step in the crime was taken.

Then came the fiendish part of the crime. Picking up the fallen man the two started to carry him to the rear room, believing him dead. When they reached the end of the showcase Wolff undoubtedly revived sufficiently to struggle, and in doing so the glass in the end of the showcase extending across the rear of the store was broken.

At this point a tooth, or rather a gold crown, was found which is supposed to have been knocked out of Wolff's mouth by a blow of the murderer's revolver. Having once more silenced their victim the men again started to carry him to the rear room, where they attempted to place him upon a bench.



Nathan Wolff and His Little Nine-Year-Old Son George.

ONE MURDERER WAS A VERY TALL MAN

Description of Bullet Hole, Office and Back Room—Theory as to How Murder Was Committed—Description of Crime

Evidence gathered shortly after the murder indicates that of the two men one was considerably taller than the other. That the tall man did the shooting was evidenced by the range of the bullet through the show case built against the south wall of the storeroom.

Allowing about nine inches from the point where the muzzle of the revolver was held at the time it was exploded would make the distance about 50 inches from the spot where the bullet entered the wall to the muzzle of the revolver.

The range of the bullet after entering the glass was downward, dropping two inches in the 2.275 inches of flight. From these figures the height of the revolver above the point the bullet entered the glass is 19.75 inches. Inasmuch as the spot where the bullet broke the glass is 12 1/2 inches above the floor, the muzzle of the revolver must have been approximately 32.53 inches above the floor.

It is also safe to assume that the revolver was held just below the shoulder of the man who fired it, and by allowing 10 or 11 inches from that point to the top of the man's head, his height must be between 6 feet 1 1/2 or 6 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Jumped to Left. After the first shot was fired Wolff evidently jumped to his left, toward the rear of the room where he had a rifle. Before he had gone more than three feet the man fired again and succeeded in wounding Wolff in the neck. At this spot blood was found splattered against the glass of the wall showcase. Wolff evidently fell after being wounded, because the distance from the splattered glass to a place on the floor where dark blood stains were found equaled Wolff's stature.

EXPLOSION THREATENS SUBURB

Flames Starting in Arm-itage Drug Store at Arleta Break Out Second Time and Threaten the Entire Town.

Stove Explodes at Midnight—Three Buildings Are Destroyed When Fire Again Calls for Heroic Efforts at 4 This Morning.

Fighting a rapidly spreading, breeze-fanned blaze without the aid of fire apparatus of any kind and with a scant supply of water carried from small hydrants nearby and from the sprinkling wagons hastily filled for the emergency, the Mount Scott Volunteer Fire department successfully combated a destructive fire and saved the heart of the Arleta business section from threatened destruction early this morning.

Fire Breaks Out Second Time. The fire, which is supposed to have started from an explosion of an airtight stove in the drug store of W. J. Armitage, corner of Mora street and the Foster road, was first seen by a boy who was passing last night at 11 o'clock and the fire volunteers were called out in time to prevent its spread.

A few buckets of water quenched the flames and the firemen left thinking there was no further danger. It is thought that the fire was still smoldering and when the wind came up this morning it was quickly fanned into flames.

The second call of fire was sounded at 4 o'clock this morning, and it was all the bucket brigade could do to save Mrs. Armitage's store. This loss is also partly due to the efforts of Chief Couch and his willing volunteers saved the drygoods store of H. R. Black and the Schriest grocery across the street. Here Arnold Le Tisser and others climbed upon the roofs and received the buckets of water with which to keep the shingles wet.

Three Buildings Go Down. The fire had swept the block as far as the Hellwell grocery when the department, from Sunnyside after a run of three miles and with the chemical engine and the supply of water pumped from the two sprinkling wagons by the steamer soon had the flames under control, not however, until three buildings had been burned to the ground. The buildings were valued at \$50,000.

The heaviest loser is W. J. Armitage, whose stock of drugs valued at \$4,000 was completely destroyed. Insurance to the amount of \$3,000 was carried on this stock. The other two one-story frame buildings burned were owned by Mrs. Armitage. This loss is also partly due to the efforts of Chief Couch and his willing volunteers saved the drygoods store of H. R. Black and the Schriest grocery across the street.

It is probable that several blocks in the heart of the town would have been wiped out by the fire in spite of the efforts of both the volunteers and the Sunnyside departments if the stiff wind had not died down.

More Crashes Foreseen. L. W. Holden, who was stationed at the fire engine, was seriously injured. One of the engine horses became frightened and crushed Holden against the wheel. Dr. Briggs of Arleta was called and the injured man taken to his home a few blocks away. He is suffering from internal injuries.

Northwest People in San Francisco

Oregonians visiting San Francisco during the stay of the battleship fleet can register at room 1908, Call building, where Arthur L. Fish will be at hand with his assistants to furnish lists of available rooms in hotels and apartment houses and any other information desired.

THEY'RE OFF FOR GREAT RELAY RACE

Start Made Promptly at 9 o'clock, When Governor Chamberlain Delivers to First Two Contestants Notes to Mayor Lane.

Y. M. C. A. and Chemawa Runners Strike Out for 50-Mile Trot With Backs to Strong Cold Southeast Wind.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal, 367 State Street.)

Salem, Or., May 2.—Sharply at 9 o'clock this morning the first two contestants in the second annual 50-mile relay race between Chemawa Indians and the Portland Y. M. C. A., left the steps of the capitol building after Governor Chamberlain had delivered to each a tube bearing a message to Mayor Harry Lane of Portland. A strong cold south wind was blowing on the backs of the runners but the roads are in excellent condition and a record run is expected.

Walter Haight, the full-blood Indian, who beat his man in the first relay a year ago by eight minutes, set up a great pace which Cortoxon, the Armeanian, representing the Y. M. C. A., seemed less anxious to keep up.

The first relay is five and one-half miles in length. Automobiles containing Trainers Campbell of Chemawa, and Griley of the Portland Y. M. C. A., are following the couriers.

The following is the dispatch to the mayor delivered to the couriers by Governor Chamberlain:

Salem, Or., May 2.—Hon. Harry Lane, Mayor, Portland, Or.—Dear Sir: Relay teams composed of young men from the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland and the Indian training school at Chemawa, will leave this capital city for Portland this morning at 9 o'clock.

I place this message in the hands of those representing the Young Men's Christian Association, extending to you and the good citizens of Portland most cordial greetings, and bespeaking for the couriers your most courteous consideration. I have the honor to remain, Yours very respectfully, GEORGE E. CHAMBERLAIN, Governor.

The Y. M. C. A. lineup had to be changed yesterday, owing to unforeseen causes. Vaguitus and Konkel having to drop out, Webber is due to start from Oregon City to Oswego, and the position of several men has been altered. The last year's relay was the same team as this year, again made first start from Salem, and the association men are waiting for the returns to come to hand to show his time for the 5 1/2 miles which constitutes his run. The Indians claim that he made it last year in 28 minutes, and eight minutes ahead of his runner.

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Amos Smoker, 16-Year-Old Half-Blood Klamath Runner.

CULBERSON IS NOT A CANDIDATE

Issues Statement Saying He Won't Run If Bryan Does Not Receive Nomination.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, May 2.—Senator Culbertson of Texas is in no sense a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

He was prompted to issue a statement today by a story recently in circulation to the effect that in the event that Bryan fails to capture the nomination for himself, he would throw his strength to Culbertson, thereby making the latter the choice of the majority of the delegates.

In view of the stories published, says Culbertson in his statement "I desire to say that I am in no way a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president. There is no doubt in my mind that the Texas Democrats in the convention to be held this month will instruct the delegates to be sent to Denver from that state to vote for Bryan. It is my opinion that the Nebraska is the choice of the great majority of the Democrats."

TIREY L. FORD NOT GUILTY, SAYS JURY IN A FEW MINUTES

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, May 2.—Tirey L. Ford, chief counsel for the United Railroads, who has been on trial for alleged bribery of the old board of supervisors in the matter of the company's overhead trolley franchise, was found not guilty by the jury this morning. The jury was out only six minutes. Ford received many congratulations from friends in the courtroom, the belief among all of them being that he had been persecuted and that there never was a shadow of evidence to connect him with the supposed bribery. The prosecution failed to make the necessary connecting link, and the case fell flat.

AWAKES AFTER HER LONG SLEEP AND IS PERFECTLY RATIONAL

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, May 2.—After sleeping 35 days without a glimmer of consciousness in all that time, Mrs. Beulah Hawkins, whose remarkable case has excited wide interest among physicians, awakened at 12:30 o'clock this morning at the county hospital. Her first request was for a drink of water. Then she chatted breezily with Dr. Barber, hospital superintendent and the nurse. She was particularly happy that her long sleep was ended, though she had no idea how long she had slept nor could she remember any of the events of the last two months and a half. Late in the evening Dr. Barber had taken the sleeping patient into the clinic-room for observation by members of the Los Angeles County Medical Society. She was returned to her room, and half an hour after midnight the nurse was attracted by a rapping on the door. Entering the room they found Mrs. Hawkins wide awake and perfectly rational. She is in excellent health and is able to stand, though she is quite weak. In the first stages of her strange affliction, which Dr. Barber terms a negative phase of insanity, it was necessary to force food down her throat through the tube. Later she took nourishment quite naturally, though not conscious of the act. The women will remain at the hospital for some time to come.

ALWAYS AHEAD OF THE TIMES THE SUNDAY JOURNAL

Hobson's views of Japanese arrogance. England's prettiest woman. Picture and story of the lovely girl who was selected by English judges for world's beauty contest. New York's real East Side. Not a district of crime and vice as is generally supposed. Paris the dumping ground for abandoned babies. How the government cares for the little ones and how charity helps the work. Sensations of a man who went crazy and suddenly recovered described by him in graphic manner. Denver Convention League and the work it is doing in preparation for approaching Democratic convention. Grinding out cheap novels. Money is made by college students in east by writing blood-curdling stories by the yard. Colored comics, women's pages, two children's pages and all the news by leased wires—United Press and Hearst Service.

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