

# CLERKS HUNT FOR LOST READ

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burial grounds to be positively identified.

**Banker Tells Story.**  
Frank J. Pitzer, cashier of the First National Bank in La Porte, made his deposition this morning. It covers several pages of large legal paper, closely written and contains some points of significance which Mr. Pitzer did not mention in his interview.

He says that Mrs. Guinness and Andrew Helgala made their first call at the bank on January 6, and that Mrs. Guinness was anxious to have the draft cashed immediately. She explained that she needed \$1,500 at once to complete a real estate deal, and offered to endorse the draft if the cashier would give her the money then.

"I told her," says the depositor, "that it would take five or six days to get word from Aberdeen, and that the draft would have to wait. After a little more argument on the part of Mrs. Guinness, they went out together."

"She was with Helgala when he came back for the money January 14. I remarked to him that he did not seem so much in a hurry as he was on the occasion of his last visit, and then, currency being very scarce, I suggested that he take the money in the form of Mrs. Guinness's certificate. Helgala was willing, saying that he did not need it all at that time, but Mrs. Guinness insisted upon cash."

"I explained to her that a cashier's certificate would answer the same purpose as a currency in any real estate deal, but she would not have it unless she also had a check from some bank in town."

"No," she said. "I want cash." Helgala and she went away. I never saw him after that. When they came in on January 14, and I remember the date, Helgala said he had been ill, and Mrs. Guinness said she had nursed him.

"When I first heard of Alala Helgala I wrote to Mrs. Guinness asking her to call at the bank, which she did. She told me that Helgala had taken the fare two days after their last visit to the bank and had gone to Michigan City with the intention of taking a boat there for Chicago."

"I think," she went on, "he is on his way to Norway. He told me he had not been there many years and was homesick to see the old country."

Expert opinion with regard to the identity of the headless body in the morgue laboratory is conflicting. Dr. H. H. Long, one of the four physicians who performed an autopsy on the charred corpse for the medical examiner, believes the headless body, leaving another body behind to bear the weight of her crime and support his contention by analysis of the headless corpse.

Dr. J. H. William Myer, another of the physicians on the coroner's board, took the opposite view and was backed up his statement by the dimensions of the corpse.

The other two doctors, Dr. F. W. Willcox and Dr. J. L. Gray, although admitting that they have opinions as to the identity of the body, declined to say what their opinions are in advance of the official report.

**Guesses Vary Widely.**  
The guesses vary widely. Little progress was made today with the digging, and the body was not found. The cellars this afternoon, picked up a Colt's revolver. It contained five shells, three of which had been discharged. The sheriff thinks it peculiar if the three cartridges were exploded by the heat of the fire the other two remained intact.

Sheriff Smutser today received a letter from the president of the Lutheran college at Ferguson Falls, Minnesota, stating that Jennie Olson had never been a pupil there and that he had never heard of Jennie or Mrs. Guinness. The college's records show that Mrs. Guinness woman was making preparations to put her adopted daughter in the garden burying ground and she had written a letter to her church relatives, stating that she was going to Ferguson Falls.

From the story told Sheriff Smutser by Detective William J. Burns of Minnesota, there seemed to be little or no doubt that his body is among the corpses in the wagon shed at the Guinness farm, although the horrible exhibit in the impromptu morgue is so mixed up and unrecognizable it is hardly likely that any further identification can be made of the bodies.

**Helgala on Trail.**  
Helgala made the following statement tonight:  
"I shall have my brother, Halvor, now at Hallingdal, Norway, get the police of that country to search for Mrs. Guinness. I shall also notify the police of American cities. My duty to my poor brother is to see both of them. Mrs. Guinness hanged. I won't be satisfied until that is done. I own 1,300 acres of land, stock, houses and property valued at \$50,000. Andrew left \$1,000 and 80 acres of fine land after the woman robbed and murdered him. I will spend every cent of both fortunes if it is necessary, to punish the murderers."

"I don't like the way the bodies were treated. It was inhuman. They were thrown out upon the ground and left to rot. They were then left in a barn, where rats might eat them."

Before his departure Helgala was allowed to talk with Lamphere in the jail. He spoke indignantly to the supposed murderer of his brother, and went the latter's respect by saying:  
"Now, if you are innocent, Lamphere, I would not harm you. You ought to tell us all you can to help us prove you innocent. Of course, if you are guilty you won't talk. Now, tell us all you know."

Lamphere declined to talk.

**Coroner Changes Records.**  
Coroner Mack tonight changed his records, which showed that Mrs. Belle Guinness and her three children had died in the fire which destroyed their home. The records now read: An unknown woman and the three Guinness children perished in the fire. The coroner is convinced that Mrs. Guinness is alive and at large.

Lamphere tonight continued to rave like a maniac in his cell. He is in a state of hysteria. Before the hysteria he seized him today he told Attorney Warden, his counsel, that there was a room on the second floor of the hotel, near home which was always locked. Mrs. Guinness never permitted any one but herself to enter it, he said. He believes it was the death chamber.

No more bodies were uncovered today. Sheriff Smutser believes no more will be discovered. The sheriff is devoting his energy to the hunt for Mrs. Guinness, which has now extended over the entire world.

**Politics Interferes.**  
Factional politics is interfering with the investigation of the Guinness murders. Snake's attorney, Smith charges that Mayor Davidson, who is the partner of Attorney Warden, Lamphere's lawyer,

ver, has instructed Chief of Police Cochran not to assist the sheriff. Doctors among the partisans of the anti-Smith faction gave out additional statements to show the body found in the ruins was not that of the Guinness woman.

The medical partisans of Smith issue counter statements to prove that it was.

A large crowd visited the Guinness "murder farm" today.

## MURDERESS MAY BE HIDING SOMEWHERE NEAR PHILADELPHIA

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.)

Chicago, May 9.—The latest and most authentic clue in the police hunt for Mrs. Belle Guinness, the woman accused of the revolting murders revealed tonight by the Philadelphia police.

Chicago on a Pennsylvania railroad train Thursday night and alighted at Philadelphia.

This "tip" reached Assistant Chief of Police Schuetter late this afternoon and he declared that it was the most valuable clue the police had as yet received. He announced that he would wire the Philadelphia police at once and that he looked for results from the quest that would ensue in the Quaker City. It was a letter from a man in Atlantic City that supplied this promising clue. The writer told of having seen on the Pennsylvania flyer a woman who "acted queerly." She was disguised, he thought, and she seemed decidedly suspicious of everybody, watching all the passengers but speaking no words. Her furtive glances and general resemblance to the alleged murderess attracted the attention of the informant.

"What gives me faith in the clue is the fact that the description given by the writer," said Schuetter, "tallies perfectly with that of Mrs. Guinness, even to the gold in her front teeth. I have asked the Philadelphia police to make thorough search for this woman."

**GREENING RELATES STORY OF WOMAN'S MISSING "COUSINS"**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Oklahoma City, Okla., May 9.—Grieving because he could not hear from his sweetheart, Jennie Olson, Guinness, in California, Mrs. Belle Guinness, in daughter, murderer-grave near La Porte, Indiana, the girl's body was found, Emil Greening, 20 years old, a cashier, a witness in the Guinness murder probe, was found here tonight.

He worked on the Guinness farm last summer.

Denying that he was more than a friend of the Olson girl, Greening believes that she was forced to leave California with her will, and that Mrs. Guinness burned the letters that he wrote to Jennie. He does not realize that she is dead.

"Jennie and I were just good friends," said Greening tonight. "When Mrs. Guinness decided to send her away to California, I was a professor who was reported to have come after her, Jennie declared she would never go. Mrs. Guinness finally said she would leave the whole matter to the professor when he came, and the night she disappeared I heard Mrs. Guinness crying until midnight. In the morning I did not see Jennie, and her mother told me she had been awake all night, and that she was still asleep and did not want to be disturbed. I drove the smaller children to school, and when I returned I was told that Jennie was packing her trunk and that she was so cut up about leaving that she did not want to see a soul. I never saw her again."

**Fifteen Cousins.**  
Greening said 15 "cousins" came to the house where he was there. He remembers perfectly a man named Moo, about Christmas, 1906," he said, "who suddenly disappeared. Mrs. Guinness sent me to Michigan City three times to get a horse Mr. Moo was to send her. I found Moo's trunk in the house, however, on July 11, 1907, when I left there. There were 15 other men's trunks, filled with clothes and effects."

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**GROVER CLEVELAND RAPIDLY IMPROVING**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Lakewood, N. J., May 9.—That former President Grover Cleveland is improving and that his condition today is more encouraging than it has been for the last few days, is the gist of a statement issued by Mrs. Cleveland from the hospital at Lakewood.

**LOGGER CRUSHED AT CASTLEROCK**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Castlerock, Wash., May 9.—Rudolph Greenwald, an employe at the Collins & Byerly logging camp here, was caught today between two logs on a railway. His chest was badly crushed and his internal injuries are very severe. He was brought to town immediately by George Huntington and attended by Dr. T. C. Campbell. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, Portland, by the first train. There is little hope of his recovery.

**PITTSBURG MAN IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN ONE VICTIM**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Pittsburg, Pa., May 9.—Pittsburg friends of Gustave Thuns, of Washington, Pennsylvania, believe he is probably among the victims of Mrs. Belle Guinness, the La Porte, Indiana, murderer. His friends believe he fell a victim to the matrimonial advertisements and paid for his folly with his life.

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**UMATILLA TOUR ENDED AT ECHO**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Echo, Or., May 9.—Governor Chamberlain completed his tour of Umatilla county tonight in an address at Echo delivered before scores of residents from the irrigated districts in this section. His remarks were greeted with hearty enthusiasm, as they have been in every section of eastern Oregon traversed.

In addition to his statement regarding the national policies which he advocated, Governor Chamberlain said particular stress on the need of greater and immediate expenditures in this section by the reclamation service to bring under cultivation the thousands of fertile acres at present lying in an unproductive state. He urged a rigid adherence to Statement No. 1 and the principles it involves and the safeguarding against bribery and corruption of the legislation which it throws about the people. His words were greeted with an applause which met his vigorous declaration of the policies he is advocating. At Pendleton this afternoon the governor spoke to an audience which crowded the opera house. At the conclusion of his address he was driven in an auto to Echo. The entire town turned out to greet him and a procession headed by the local band, escorted him to the Echo. The hall, which was filled to the doors.

The governor will leave here tomorrow morning for Heppner, where he will speak Monday evening.

# AMENDMENT NECESSARY

## The City Charter Must Be Changed Before Referendum Can Be Invoked Upon Measures Passed by City Council.

Under the decision of Presiding Judge Gantenbein in the circuit court yesterday, it will be impossible to have a referendum vote on any measure passed by the city council until the city charter is amended to provide the method. The decision was rendered in sustaining the demurrer of City Attorney Kavanaugh to the complaint of George Long, who brought suit to restrain the city from collecting a vehicle tax under the ordinance passed February 24, until a referendum vote could be taken, a referendum petition signed by over 3,000 voters having been filed March 24.

Long's attorneys made this a test case, claiming that an act of the legislature in 1907 amended the city charter through power conferred by the constitutional amendment adopted in June, 1906, reserving to the people of the municipalities of the state the power of initiative and referendum.

Judge Gantenbein pointed out that to sustain this provision would invalidate the ordinances of Portland and of every city in the state since June, 1906.

**Virtually Nullifies Charters.**  
"It is unreasonable to suppose," said the court, "that the people intended by this amendment to virtually nullify the most important provisions of the charters of all the municipalities in the state, or by this amendment to prevent these municipalities from conducting their municipal business according to established forms and provisions. It is more reasonable to suppose that it was the intent of the framers to extend to the legal voters by the other amendment the power to amend their charters and revise the same to meet their local conditions whenever in their judgment they should so elect. If all charters were amended or repealed by the force of this amendment, the most important municipal business in the city of Portland could not be transacted until the entire charter was revised and amended, and this, of course, would take a considerable length of time."

Judge Gantenbein proceeded to say that the people have the power to amend the charter at any time, and therefore may provide the way for referendum voting without bringing chaos to their affairs.

Long's attorney will appeal from Judge Gantenbein's decision to the supreme court. City Attorney Kavanaugh expressed satisfaction with the outcome, saying that his office is not unfriendly to the referendum, but he was convinced that it could not be invoked in the case of the vehicle tax ordinance. The ordinary channels of repeal, either by action of the city council or by an initiative petition.

**WATER POWER.**  
Perhaps the most valuable asset of the company is its available waterpower. Coal creek, which runs through the property is a stream big enough to develop at least 1,000 horsepower, sufficient to run and light the mine and all the buildings by electricity and then have all the power necessary to run the railroad from the mine to deep water, where the bunkers will be located.

As the property stands today it shows an investment of \$50,000, practically all of which has been furnished by the officers of the company. The present shaft and equipment is not capable of producing coal enough to meet the demand—so it has been decided by the company to open another shaft and equip the mine with electric power, thus reducing the cost of production to a minimum. These improvements will cost about \$35,000 and will take until the first of January, 1909, to complete. When they are done the mine will be able to produce and market 150 tons of coal per day and as cheaply as any mine in the U. S. No power compares with waterpower as to cheapness. The mine earned 12 per cent on its investment this last year, which was its first year as a shipper, and about as tough a year for fuel dealers as one could imagine. Being on deep water the market of the whole coast is open to us, and the cheapest transportation in the world, and no Hill or Harriman to dictate to us, as to rates or when we can get cars to haul it. Can you imagine a better combination than we have? Waterpower to run the mine, the best coal on the coast, the broad Columbia for our highway, the cheapest transportation in the world.

The Coal Creek Coal & Mining company is organized under the laws of Oregon, with a capital of 500,000 shares, of the par value of \$1.00 and forever non-assessable. To raise this \$35,000 that we need to make the improvements we are going to sell 70,000 shares of stock at 50 cents per share—25 per cent down and 15 per cent a month until paid—or we will allow a discount of 5 per cent when shares are paid for in cash.

The mine earned 12 per cent last year and should do better this year, and with the opening of our No. 2 shaft should earn nearer 25 per cent. Captain Jones needs no introduction. He has been for the last 50 years one of Portland's leading business men. He and his son and Mr. Rose have done more than their share in developing the property and now that they need a little assistance it should come in an unstinted stream. As an investment, shares in this company will compare favorably with any gilt-edged security on the market. We believe that people of means looking for investment cannot afford to overlook this opportunity. Mr. Rose, who is the mine manager, is a man of 40 years' practical experience in coal mining, and it was due to his knowledge of the business that the property has been brought up to its present high state of efficiency. Stock in this corporation should appeal to thinking people. It is not a prospect in faraway Alaska, but a fully equipped and producing coal mine, sixty miles from Portland, on deep water. Over 2,000 tons of its product was marketed here in Portland among 400 families this last winter.

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Bunkers are erected on a slough running into the Columbia, which carries 15 feet of water and allows scows of any size to be hauled in and loaded at present. These bunkers are reached over the logging road of the Inman-Poulsen company. Part of the improvements contemplated include a new road, and new bunkers on the banks of the Columbia.

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