

DETECTIVES DROP INVESTIGATION OF DEATH OF RAWN

No Evidence to Support Theory That He Was Killed by Burglars; Believe Alleged Frauds Cause of Suicide.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, July 21.—The police today abandoned further investigation of the death of Ira G. Rawn, president of the Monon railroad. They are convinced that Rawn killed himself and they say there is no evidence to support the story told by the family that he was shot in an encounter with a burglar.

The alleged bloodstains found on the sidewalk leading from the house to the sidewalk in front of the police say, proved in reality to be red paint.

The other evidence furnished by the family in support of the burglary theory, the police believe, is equally untrustworthy.

The fact that Rawn was involved in the alleged frauds of the Illinois Central Car Repairing department, over which department Rawn was president of that road, had been in charge, is considered by the police sufficient motive, and they say that further investigation of the case, unless some new and unusual evidence is presented by the family, would be sheer waste of time.

After the coroner's investigation, which will be held Monday, it is probable that, so far as the city police are concerned, the case will be dropped.

Private detectives employed by the Rawn family, however, are still busy on the case and adhere to the theory that Rawn was killed by a burglar or an assassin.

J. G. Coburn, son-in-law of Rawn, denied today that Rawn recently took out large life insurance policies.

"It is not true," said Coburn, "that Mr. Rawn recently took out \$110,000 life insurance. He carried at the most about \$20,000, and certainly that is not an unusual amount for a man of his standing."

Tuesday last, it is reported, Rawn told a neighbor that burglars had entered his house the night before and that he intended to be on the watch for them.

SYNDICATE PLANS BIG APPLE ORCHARD

The Hunter Land company, with offices in this city, and eastern clients, have purchased 3500 acres of land on the north bank of the Columbia river at Sundale, about 152 miles east of Portland.

Associated with the land company and the eastern clients are F. W. Power, a prominent nurseryman of this state, and J. R. Shennett, a prominent orchardist and vice president of the State Horticultural society. Lute Pease, editor of the Pacific Monthly magazine of this city, and C. E. Barnes, a well known merchant of Salem.

A company will be paid up capital stock of \$40,000 and has organized, and one of the largest orchard development propositions in the country will be started at once. The land, most of which is already under cultivation, will be piped with water from large springs in the mountains that form the background. Three hundred acres are being set to apples.

The land runs back four miles from the river and is especially well adapted for apple raising.

CONSERVATION CONGRESS TO BE HELD AT ST. PAUL

Chicago, July 21.—The National Conservation congress will be held at St. Paul, Minn., July 27-29. Committees representing the Twin Cities and officers of the National Conservation association, announced that it has been definitely decided that the congress is to be held there and that all trouble over the program has been passed up.

President Taft will be one of the speakers at the congress. The congress will end September 5. The congress will end September 5. The congress will end September 5.

TRI-COUNTY PUSH CLUB WILL MEET

A mass meeting, under the auspices of the Tri-County Push club will be held at the Grand hall, Butteville, Ore., tomorrow evening. The speakers of the evening will be Judge William Galloway, McMinnville; J. E. Hodges, Oregon City; R. B. Beattie, Oregon City; G. D. Eby, Oregon City. Music will be furnished by the Barrow band and refreshments will be served free of charge. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m.

SUFFRAGETTES MAY INVADE FIFTH AVENUE

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, July 21.—The exclusive residential section of the city, in which is located the home of J. P. Morgan, is facing invasion by suffragettes if present plans go through. The suffragettes, headed by Mrs. Clarence Mackay, are negotiating for the purchase of the mansion of the late T. Henry Mason at Madison avenue and Thirty-sixth street. They propose to make of this structure the first suffragette's home in America. Morgan's residence is directly across the street.

SOCIETY WONDERS ENGAGEMENT BROKEN OFF

Miss Hazel Dolph of Portland En Route to Europe; Ferdinand Theriot of San Francisco to Orient.

San Francisco, July 21.—A broken engagement with the romantic aftermath of a trip to foreign lands is the latest gossip that is buzzed over the tapers whenever the names of Miss Hazel Dolph of Portland and Ferdinand Theriot of this city are mentioned. The handsome young clubman had sailed away on the Chitro Maru after telling the melancholy news to his nearest friends, while Miss Dolph is on her way to Europe with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Dolph of the northern city.

In the meantime Madame Grundy has the rare moral for her own delectation and says the betrothal was a sort of temperamental mistake and that the young folks "were never suited to each other."

The real reason seems to be a matter of conjecture. The match could not have been imputed to mercenary motives, since both of the young people are independently wealthy.

The engagement was announced last season. The couple met while Miss Dolph was the guest of Mrs. Eleanor Martin in this city. The wedding was to have been an event of September, and the bride-elect, who was a great favorite, was extensively entertained in Portland. She is a niece of the late Senator J. N. Dolph and has more than the average society girl's share of brains and beauty.

Ferdinand Theriot, who came from New York, is a cousin of Eugene De Safta. He is a grand-nephew of Peter Mackay who was for many years a leading beau in the exclusive circles of the eastern city. His father was a banker of Paris and at Harvard he had an interesting career. In San Francisco he has been a favorite in the club and in society. He is a member of the University club and lived at the club house until the last month. He was one of the ushers at the wedding of Miss Genevieve Harvey and Ward Barron.

MARKETS TO HAVE NEW QUARTERS

M. J. Jones to Erect 3 Story Building on Fourth, Near Morrison.

Plans have been completed and construction work will begin in a few days by Milton J. Jones on a three story building on the 50 by 100 foot lot between the water works and Fourth street 50 feet north of Morrison street. The building will cost about \$50,000 and will be occupied by the Jones and Mace markets with up to date sanitary markets.

Occupants of the old frame building on the lot will vacate this week, both the Jones and the Mace markets having secured temporary quarters elsewhere pending the completion of the new structure. M. J. Jones purchased the lot for one year ago, for a consideration said to have been about \$100,000.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT SPEAKS AT INSTITUTE

"The Development of an Elementary Curriculum" was the subject of a lecture given by Frank Rigler, city superintendent of schools at this morning's institute being held by the Catholic Educational association of Oregon, at St. Mary's academy, Fifth and Market streets.

Professor Rigler told of the purposes of the common school curriculum as it is taught, and pointed out the fact that more stress should be laid on the industrial studies in the elementary grades. Besides Professor Rigler's lecture, the program given this morning follows: Reading in grammar grades, Miss Doyle; chemistry, Rev. Ernest Davis, C. S. C.; music department, Mrs. Holman; grammar, Miss Helen Burke; penmanship, Miss Severance.

The annual election of officers was held this morning and reports of committees were read. The officers, all re-elected, were as follows: Rev. Edwin V. O'Hara, president; Sister M. Flavia, vice president; Rev. J. P. Fitzpatrick, secretary; Rev. William A. Daly, treasurer. Executive committee—Rev. J. H. Black; Sister M. Rosa, O. S. B.; Rev. H. Gallagher, C. S. C.; John O'Hara.

This afternoon's program will be: 1:30 p. m., religious instruction, training of the memory, second and third books analyzed; Rev. P. C. York, D. D. assembly room; 2:15 p. m., musical number; 2:30 p. m., round table discussion; the teaching of United States history, by a Sister of the Immaculate Heart, room 2:30 p. m., penmanship department, Miss Severance, room B.

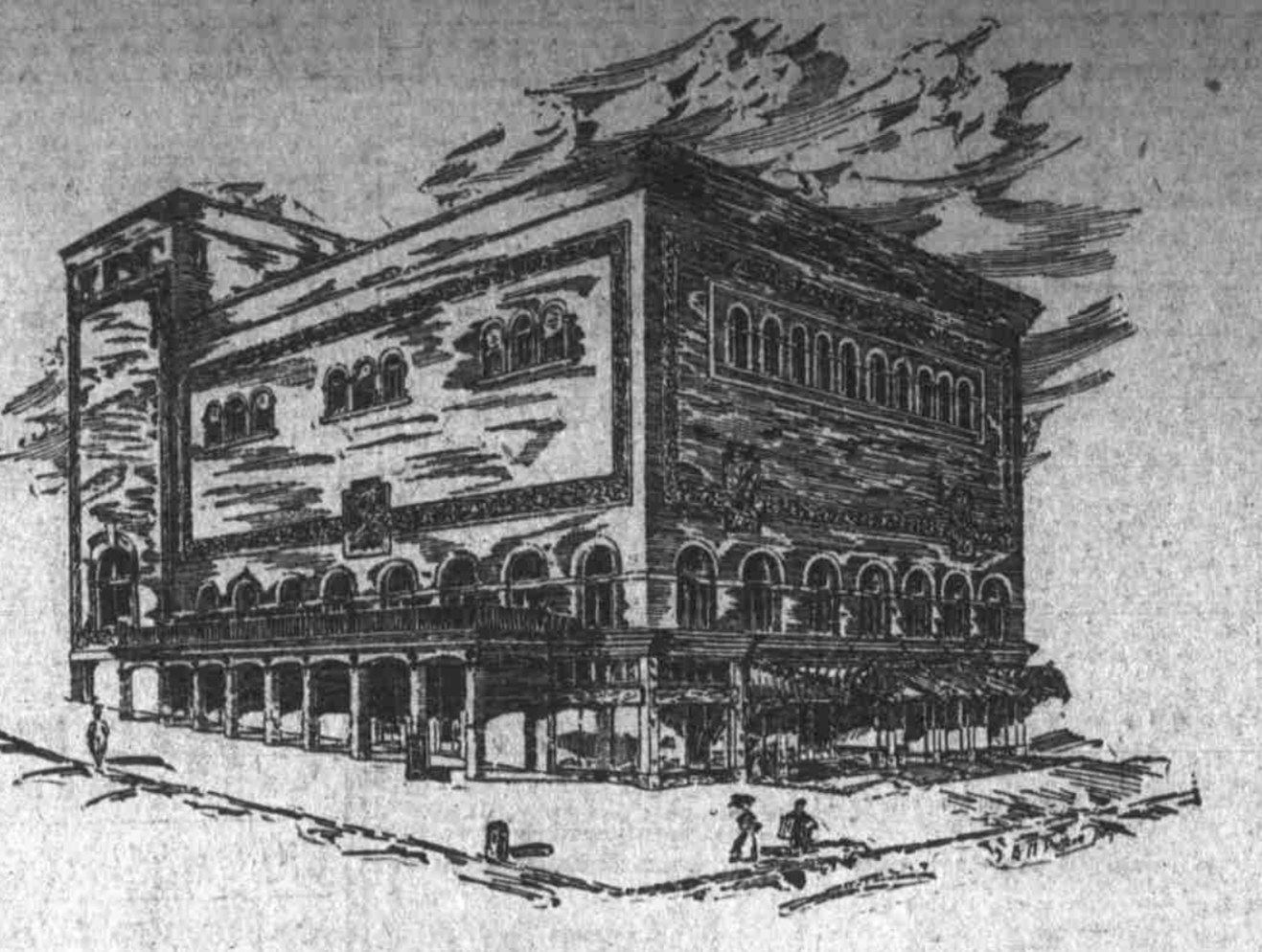
Mrs. Courtright Case Dismissed. Evidence supposed to implicate Mrs. J. S. Courtright, a dermatologist, with offices in the Filadelfia building, of larceny of a diamond ring was so flimsy that the case was once dismissed by Justice Bell yesterday. The charge was brought by Mrs. Dora O'Neill, a former partner of Mrs. Courtright. A private detective agency took charge of the case and found a jeweler who was supposed to have changed the setting of a diamond for Mrs. Courtright.

It developed, however, that the jeweler had not done any work of this sort for Mrs. Courtright. The latter charged that an effort was being made to defame her character and injure her business.

Object to Woman Suffrage

Salem, Or., July 21.—Argument against the extension of suffrage to women was filed with the secretary of state this morning by the Oregon state association, of which Francis J. Bailey of Portland is president.

CORNERSTONE OF HELIG THEATRE TO BE LAID TOMORROW AFTERNOON



The Helig Theatre as it will appear when completed.

The names of at least two world famous players will be associated with the building of the new Helig theatre, Seventh and Taylor streets, ground for which was broken by Blanche Bates October 14, 1909, for arrangements have been made by Calvin Helig to have

Mrs. Fluke, who is playing at the Bungalow, lay the cornerstones at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Ceremonies incident to the laying of the cornerstones will be impressive. The mayor and other city officials have been invited to participate in the simple program. There will be music.

The Helig Theatre company is building the playhouse at a cost of \$150,000. The theatre building will be ready for use some time between September 1 and 15. Two crews of men are at work on the building and construction is going on night and day.

HOFFER WOULD HAVE PEOPLE NOMINATE HIM AT THE THEATRES

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Keeper of State Strong Box Will Not Make Campaign, However.

George A. Steel, state treasurer, has outlined his position as regards his possible candidacy for re-election in a letter written to A. H. Lea, of Portland, in answer to a query made by Lea. The letter is as follows: "On the 14th of January, 1907, I assumed the duties of my office, receiving from my predecessor about \$500,000 in cash. This large sum of money was most inconveniently deposited in the state treasury in better shape than has Oregon. Notwithstanding this enviable condition, which was brought about upon my own initiative, such a thing as requiring security from banks, never having been done before, I have given much unpleasant criticism instead of commendation. I have conscientiously endeavored to perform all the duties pertaining to my office, and am sure that the affairs of the state, so far as it concerned could not be better.

"It has been the custom heretofore for state officers to serve the second term, and by right I am entitled to the same consideration. I know public officials are at all times subject to criticism, and it is well that it should be so, but they should be also commended for meritorious acts. Considering everything, I have concluded that the effort is not worth making any special effort to retain my office, and I am content to be unselected. I shall deem it a great compliment, but I shall not make any struggle to get it. Now, however, offices are obtained by strenuous efforts on the part of applicants, and I do not think it likely that I will retire at the end of my present term. You can rest assured that a most thorough investigation will find everything in perfect order, with every dollar belonging to the treasury on hand."

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"Help; More Men," Is Call That Forest Fire Victims Are Sending Into Spokane; Idaho Suffers.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Spokane, Wash., July 21.—The wild cry for "help; more men" continues to come into this city. Many Spokane people whose friends or relatives are living on homesteads within the fire zone are spending sleepless nights.

Miss Mae McGilvray, whose father's homestead lies between two miles of fire line is employing every available means to assist in fighting fire. Miss McGilvray sent seven men to the endangered district Wednesday and carried the appeal for more men to Mayor Pratt. The 150 acres belonging to her father are situated on Pine Creek, between 10 and 15 miles from Kingstons, Idaho, and in the direction of Wallace.

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