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Dr. W. D. Wood Predicts Anti's Side of Proposition to Add Slice of That County to Multnomah.

Dr. W. D. Wood, of Hillsboro, Washngton county, state senator and chairof the Washington-Multnomah Anti-Annexation committee, came to Portland today to feel out the sentinent of Multnomah voters as to the ed annexation of one-fourth of abutting community. He said he tound the people of Washington and ultnomah counties generally opposed the plan and that there seemed little Multnomak-Ikelihood, if the voters of the state vers awakened to the importance of thing, of it carrying.

It is proposed to have Multnomah ounty take over 112 sections, or 113 quare miles of Washington county. slice would cut Washington county o three-fourths its present size and would make it smaller than any county n the state and smaller even than any of the proposed new counties. It would tear away the towns of Beaverton, Garion Home, Tualatin and Sherwood from

favor of annexation," said Dr. Wood, to Multhomah and Portland. Their inand many against. In the first place terests are identical. One class of per-scale people of Washington county do not sons has no right to claim a monoply want the cut, and I am certain the of trade relations. Ameration would The loss of one-fourth its area would "Three classes of men favor annexa seriously orippie Washington county and would leave it in a position where it would be hardly worth while to ad-of whom are taxpayers and some of

"One can better understand the in-sanity of the scheme when he knows that even in the district the annexa-tionists propose to give to Multnomah. tracts, and believe that their offers will sentiment is against the plan. We be more attractive if they advertise know this, for a remonstrance circulated their land as being in Multinomah in this district was signed by .more county, just over the hills from Port-

than 500 residents and legal voters. And land." as for residents of other parts of the county, they are firmly against annexa-tion. Also, I believe the voters of Port-that annexation to Multhomah county tion. Also, I believe the voters of Port-land realize the weakness of the plan "The loss of revenue to Washington county would impoverish the communi-ty and would bring public works of all kinds to a halt. The added burden of taxation on residents of the maimed county would be correspondingly heavy. "Advocates of the annexation plan "to go administration of the second to second the second to second the county would be correspondingly heavy.

"Advocates of the annexation plan argue chicanery in fixing the original boundaries of Washington county, say that trade relations would be forged closer by annexation and source of the annexation plan "By cutting 112 sections from Wash-ington county"

ington county, the annexationists would closer by annexation and assert unjustness on the part of the Washington county court. They also say that both Washington and Multhomah county county. voters urge annexation. "As a state senator and a member of

"Charges of chicanery are attempts to impute the motives of the late Judge E. D. Spattuck, the late David Logan, whom it would affect. I believe that E. D. Sunttuck, the late David Logan, whom it would affect. I believe that the late Dr. Belknap and the late Col. Multnomah and Washington counties T. R. Cornelius, for 20 consecutive years alone should be permitted to rule in state senator from Washington county this matter-and not uninterested -all of whom were prominent in the early days of the territorial govern-ment. As for the charge that the

### Torpedo Fleet Off for South.

county court is unjust, for the last nine months, as the records show, the residents of that part of the county that annexationists hope to slice off, have been given \$2 for every \$1 they gave by taxation, from out the bridge county court is unjust, for the figure for every \$1 they court information of the Atlantic torpedo fleet will leave Hampton Roads tomorrow for Key West. From there the cruise will embrace Havana, Port of Spain, San the price in the British, French intended to Marry Woman. county court is unjust, for the last Washington and give them to Multno-tab and would steal from the sister ommunity her most prolific part. "We have found no just argument in

WITNESS IN MURDER TRIAL MAY YET SAVE MRS. KERSH

(Continued from Page One.) son had thrown down a lot of money on the bar.

"What did Webb say to you on that ccasion?" asked Deputy District Atorney Fitzgerald. "He remarked that that man Johnson

is pretty "fat," isn't he? One of the jurymen asked the witness what Webb meant by "fat."

"I took it 'to mean," was the reply, "that Webb thought Johnson was pretty well off financially."

The object of the prosecution in sub mitting this Asstimony was to prove that Webb knew Johnson. Webb swore on the witness stand that he had never seen Johnson until he met him on the train coming from Spokane to Portland.

Overrules Objections. Attorneys Fouts and McCue both obected to the admission of this testion the ground that it was irrelemany vant, the state not having established, according to the defense, sufficient ground for proving that a conspiracy existed between Mrs. Kersh and Webb. Judge Morrow overruled the objection. On cross examination by attornoy Fouts O'Neill became a valuable witness for the defense in that he covroborated Mrs. Kersh's statement that Johnson

had promised to marry her. "I was well acquainted with John-son," said O'Neill in reply to a question by Attorney Fouts. "He made my place He seemed very much infatuated with Mrs. Kersh. I thought, in fact, that he

"Did he ever tell you he would marry !

by the witness that Mrs. Kersh had the floor. lived with Webb during all the time that she was entertaining Johnson in Spokane. The state was unable to prove

this conclusively, however, by O'Neil. He said he did hot know that Webb lived with Mrs. Kersh on South Wall street at the time she was plying her calling in the rooming house over the filte sales.

shift sleave had been tied around the dead man's throat. The witness ex-plained that only one turn had been taken in the sleave, but that it had been twisted tightly. He refterated his state-ment that he could not untie the knot, but beat to out it with a brite At Elite Baloon. Dane Examines Body.

"I am a deputy in the office of the county coroner," said Frank N. Dane, another witness. "My business is to investigate sudden deaths. About but had to cut it with a knife. At-torney MgCue remarked that it was strange that he could not untie such a o'clock on the night of June 19 last I received a call from the union depot. I went down there afoot. I found the the

simple hitch. C. M. Cady, a ticket seller of the union station, said he sold a ticket for North Puyallup to J. P. Webb on the night of June 20. He said that Webb. neck the tighly twisted sleeve of a neg-ligee shirt. So lightly was the knot around the throat tied that I could not slip a knife blade between the cloth and the skih, but was obliged to had first asked for a ticket to Olympia but had decided to, take one to the former place when told there would be no train out of Portland for Olympia

The trunk was brought into the courtroom with its blood stained contents. The bloody shirt sleeve used to strangle Johnson was admitted in evi-dence after it had been identified by Dane. So was the trunk, the defense making no objection

Pasco, Wash., Oct. 31.—The report of County Treasurer Sheffield, recently is-sued, shows Franklin county to have a total of \$46,453.59 on the wrong side of the books at the close of the fiscal year, October 1, 1910. The total amount Dane described the wounds inflicted on Johnson. He said that he at first thought the man had been shot, but on of outstanding warrants is \$102,585.23, probing the abrasions on each side of while the cash on hand amounts to probing the abrasions on each side of the head he found that he had been \$61,043.06.

mistaken; that the contusions had ap-parently been made by some blunt in-

strument. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The witness told of a visit to the Spokane, Wash., Oct. 31 .-- An attempt

her" the witness was asked. "He did," was the answer." "At one time," continued O'Neil, "Johnson intended to buy the lodging house above my saloon, but he changed his mind. He sald he had decided to leave Spokane with the woman on se-sount of her undesirable reputation in that city." O'Neil said he saw Mrs. Kersh with webb just once afters me had begun to "go with" Johnson. The prosecution endeavored to prove by the witness that Mrs. Kersh had

than \$40,500,000 worth.

Franklin County in Debt.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane Unions Want Peace.

Couple Arrested.

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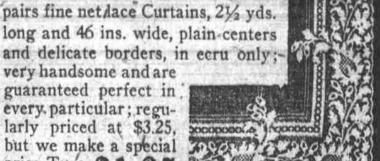
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