

RUSSELL CLARK MAY HAVE FEARED GRAND JURY PROBE

Investigation Into His Financial
Transactions Was Begun Just
Two Days Before Suicide.

Information concerning the shady financial transactions of Russell C. Clark, wife slayer and suicide, was put in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Christofferson last Saturday and an investigation was started which would undoubtedly have ended in a grand jury probe, had not the young man ended his own life.

Whether or not Clark had learned of the investigation into his financial dealings cannot be determined. It is considered likely, however, that he knew that such a step was imminent and that this had a part in goading him to take the tragic measure he did.

DEBTS SWALLOW ASSETS

An attempt is being made by Matt Clark, father of the young auto dealer, to straighten out and unravel the scrambled finances left by Russell. It is believed that only about \$10,000 was left by the suicide, that sum being greatly outbalanced by the outstanding debts. The appearance of good financial standing which was at first apparent was due to the inflating of his bank accounts by worthless checks, drawn by himself, investigators learned Wednesday.

Deposits totalling some \$34,000 since January 31 were recorded in a bank-book found among his possessions in the room at the Oregon hotel where he ended his life. It was explained that he would deposit in the bank to his own credit, checks which he would draw on other banks, but which were worthless. These would be recorded as being deposited, and later returned to him as being without value.

It is believed that he showed these bankbooks with their enormous deposits to prospective customers, thus gaining their confidence. This, with his alleged warehouse receipt scheme, gave him the outward appearance of being a very wealthy man, while in reality he was always close to financial rocks.

PROPERTY SEIZED

The Western Bond & Mortgage company, supposed to be one of the heavy creditors of the young man, has taken charge of the livestock at Clarkhurst, the Clark country home northeast of the Twelve Mile Corners, where Mrs. Clark was found dead, and the mortgage company has also attached some of the property in the house. Clark is said to have mortgaged heavily the blooded cattle on his ranch, and very little of the beautiful country home is believed to have belonged to him.

Matt Clark, father of Russell, was

appointed by Judge Tarwell today as administrator of his son's estate and not until he has carefully checked over the papers can any definite statement concerning his condition be given out. The court order also places Frances Clark's affairs in his hands on his showing that both had died intestate. The funeral of Russell Clark will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock with private services at the crematorium. Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Clark have been postponed until the arrival of her father, who is expected from Texas about Monday.

CLARK FLED IN AIRPLANE

WHEN GUILT UNCOVERED

Pendleton, Feb. 19.—The story of Russell Clark's forged warehouse receipts, his meeting with K. V. Lively of McCargar, Bates & Lively of Portland, Sunday, and his escape from Lively by airplane was revealed here Wednesday.

A reason for the tragedy is seen plainly in the chain of evidence which began to wind around Clark with the arrival of Lively, seeking to learn why warehouse receipts for 45 automobiles should be presented by Clark from Pendleton.

When Lively showed Clarence Penlon, manager of Penlon Brothers, transfer company, some of the forged warehouse receipts sent in by Clark, Penlon immediately detected the fraud. The slips had been printed, "Penlon Bros. Transfer and Storage company," and were signed by George A. Smith, vice president, a fictitious character. They were accepted by the Portland firm as genuine, however, and close to \$45,000 had been thus advanced.

Lively and Clark dined together Sunday. Clark's manner quieted Lively's suspicions, and before he talked over matters with Clark, suggested that they visit the warehouse. Clark consented, but asked Lively first to take a ride in his airplane. While Lively was in the air Clark went to the hotel and arranged his departure. Clark made his way to the landing field by another route. As Lively returned to town with his pilot, Clark started on the trip to Portland by air. Lively gave the facts in the case to Sheriff Taylor Sunday evening.

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Registration Total Continues Slow; Primaries in May

With only 172 people putting in appearance at the county clerk's office on Tuesday, registration for the May primaries is proceeding slowly. During the past week, 307 voters have registered.

Present statistics, including Tuesday's registration, are as follows:
Male Republicans..... 31,970 52,543
Female Republicans..... 20,573
Male Democrats..... 10,212 17,485
Female Democrats..... 7,272
Others male..... 2,287 4,062
Others female..... 1,776
Total..... 74,930

Fame of Rose City Brings Inquiry for Lost Relatives Here

It was an article on Portland roses in the National Rose Society Annual of England by J. A. Currey and it appeared while England's sons were fighting in France. But when George Robinson of New Southgate, London, came back a veteran of many battles he

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saw the story with its illustrations of rose bordered streets.

"Perhaps you could locate my long lost cousins," he wrote to Currey. "They are Edwin, Jennie and Annie Munk." The rose culturist consulted the telephone book. He found the name, called the number, and it was the mother of the family who answered. On Tuesday Jennie and Annie Munk called to see the correspondence and an old picture taken in 1894 when girls wore their hair in Psyche knots. "But where is Edwin?" Currey asked. "He died two weeks ago," replied the young women. "That article brought inquiries about Portland, Portland roses and Portland industry from a good many countries, but it was the first time I had been asked to look up lost relatives," explained Currey.

Grays Harbor Early Day Resident Passes

Centralia, Wash., Feb. 19.—Mrs. Mary A. Borst, 82 years old, one of the two first white women on Grays Harbor, died Wednesday. With her parents, Dr. and Mrs. James H. Houtreue, she crossed the plains in 1851. She was a descendant of Patrick Henry.

Salary Increases Granted Pullman Faculty Don't Please

Pullman, Wash., Feb. 19.—The board of regents of Washington State college has granted salary increases to faculty members from 5 to 25 per cent. The increase will be based on length of service, amount of original research work and general value of the instruction. Several faculty members said that the scale as granted was insufficient.

It was indicated that petition for further increase would be submitted to the board of regents.

Bad Check Passers And Bill Jumpers Will Face Trouble

The bad check passer and the chronic bill jumper are due for woe when the organization of the Retail Credit association is completed at a luncheon at the Benson hotel at noon Friday, those

interested announce. Heretofore, Portland retail merchants and professional men have had no source of protection from the dishonest and under the new organization most complete protection is proposed.

A constitution was adopted at a well attended meeting last Friday and at the coming meeting the chief business will be the election of officers among the business and professional men present. All such are asked to be present. Among those active in launching the association are Charles Berg, Charles Graden, Frank Nau and H. F. Wendel.

Oil Firm Pays Tax Amounting to \$5183

Salem, Feb. 19.—State tax on gasoline and distillates sold in Oregon during January by the Associated Oil company of California aggregated \$5183.16, according to a statement filed with the secretary of state's office Wednesday, accompanied by a check for the tax. Sales of the company for the month, as shown by the statement, were 508,669 gallons of gasoline and 19,415 gallons of distillate.

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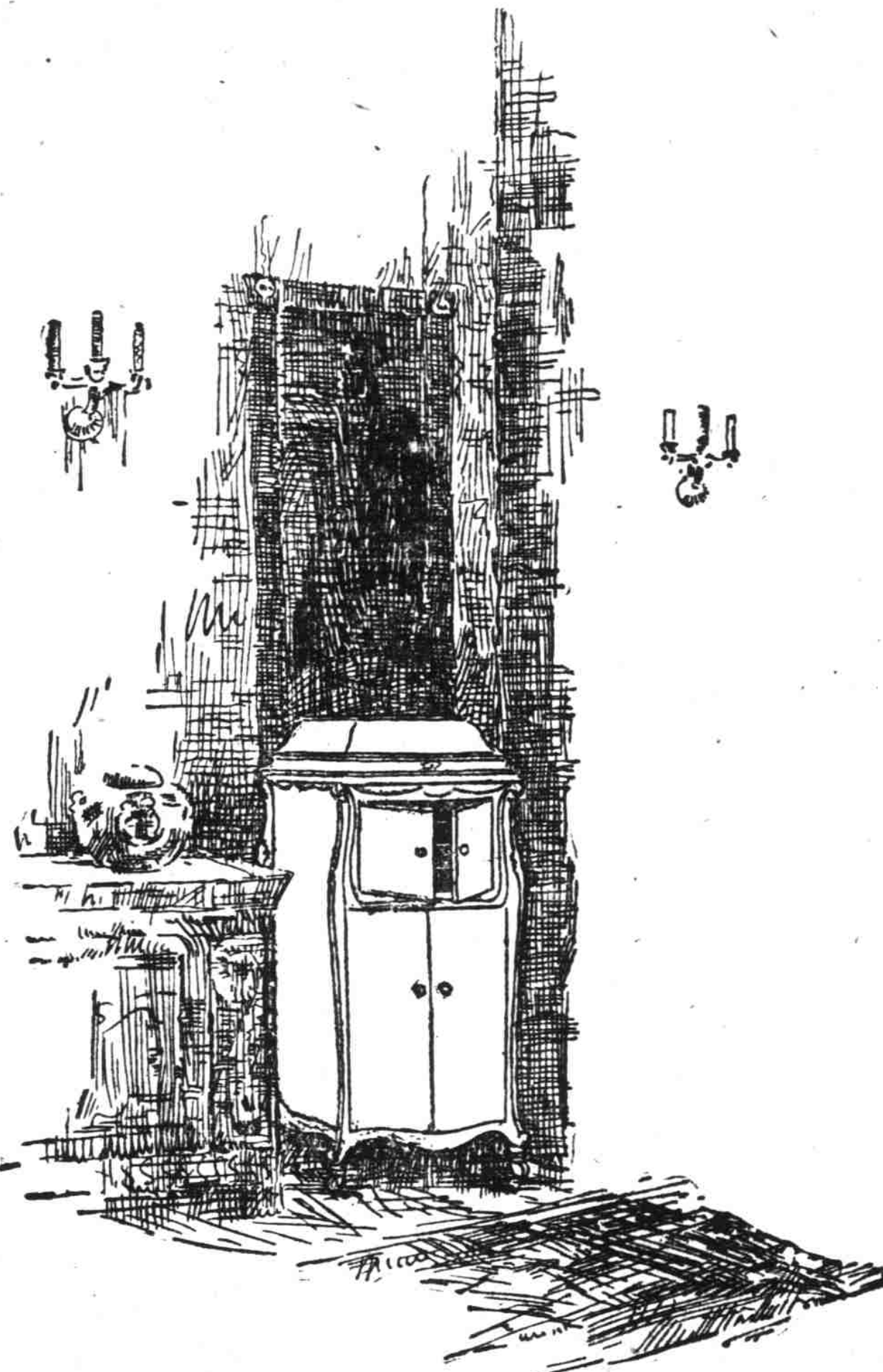
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