

BLUEBEARD IS PENITENT; HE AWAITS DEATH

Super-Bigamist and Arch-Fiend Guides Sheriff to One of Victims' Graves; Two Women Battered to Death; Two Drowned.

Los Angeles, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Charles Newton Harvey, "Bluebeard" murderer of four "wives," according to his own confession, will plead guilty to first degree murder, it was officially announced today.

Accompanying the guilty plea of the arch-murderer will be the recommendation of the district attorney that sentence be placed at life imprisonment.

Chief Deputy District Attorney W. C. Doran made the foregoing statement today following Harvey's confession of four murders, with others expected to develop and while county authorities were about to exhumate the body of one of "Bluebeard's" wives, Nina Lee Delaney.

Doran admitted Harvey had been promised life imprisonment before he made his complete confession of the slaying of the four women.

It was in consideration of this promise, Doran said, that Harvey branded himself as one of the arch-criminals of modern history.

There was doubt expressed in official circles here today that the district attorney's recommendation would be considered by the court in passing sentence, and in view of the monstrous degree of his crime, the death penalty would be imposed following the plea of guilty of murder in the first degree.

Harvey confessed calmly to his Bluebeard crimes, without emotion, and in detail how he brutally beat to death with a hammer Miss Elizabeth Pryor (Mrs. Harry M. Lewis) and Nina Lee Delaney (Mrs. Charles Newton Harvey), and how he permitted two other wives to drown (Alice Ludvigson and Bertha Goodnick), whose deaths he later referred to as "murders."

DEATH MAY BE IMPOSED

It developed today that District Attorney Woolwine will resist any proposition for extradition made by Washington or Idaho officials, where others of the Bluebeard murders were committed, according to his own account. It is expected that despite the recommendation of the district attorney for life imprisonment, after having told one of the most amazing stories of self-confessed crime (Continued on Page Two, Column One)

Elderly Man Who Raised Currency Wanted in Seattle

Seattle, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—A. L. Goodrich, under arrest in Portland, is wanted by several blocks by Mrs. E. W. Butler, proprietress of a shop at 360 Morrison street, where he is said to have attempted passing a "raised" bill. The police found concealed in the top of his sock a package of bills raised from \$1 to \$20 and \$50. Miss Lillian Eisenberg, cashier of the Lyric theatre, identified Goodrich as the man who raised a \$100 bill for \$20 on her Wednesday evening.

The bills had been changed by the passing of numbers over the original markings. Goodrich is thought by the secret service agents and police to have made his headquarters in Seattle. An effort is now being made to locate his paraphernalia.

Legal Contest on Nelson's Estate Is About to Develop

Pendleton, April 30.—A possible contest for the right to administer the estate of the late Jackson Nelson of Athens appeared when petitions were filed by Lee Johnson, principal creditor of the estate, and by W. R. and T. D. Taylor, sons of David Taylor, executor, who died recently. By the terms of Nelson's will, the Taylor brothers are named joint executors in the event of the death of David Taylor. Several law suits have developed over the Nelson estate.

Agreement was reached Thursday between local manufacturers and merchants and A. G. Clark, manager for the Associated Industries of Oregon, that an Oregon products week shall be held here in the near future. Definite plans will be made at the May meeting of the Pendleton Commercial association Tuesday night.

London, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, has announced that hereafter Saturday will be the weekly day of rest in Soviet Russia. Sunday will not be a holiday.

Understand Asia or Face Catastrophe, Warns Noted Editor

Bringing with him a vivid message of the need for understanding between the white and yellow races, particularly of the Asiatic problems arising out of the war, J. W. Robertson Scott of London and Tokio, formerly editor of the magazine The New East, Tokio, Japan, is in Portland for a brief visit with Portland men having business relations with the Orient.

Robertson Scott, a distinguished British journalist, is credited with having done much during the war to swing popular feeling in Japan away from Germany and in favor of the allies. He went to the Far East before the war to David Lubin at his International Institute of Agriculture in Rome, inspired with a desire to write a book on the agriculture of Japan. He was soon drafted into the bigger job of trying to convince the Japanese that the Germans were not going to win the war.

PROBLEM IS CLOSE ONE

"It is a great comfort," he said, "to be in a city in which there is some conception of the way in which the future of this whole race is inextricably bound up with Asia. I am afraid that a very large number of American people fail to realize that one of the coasts of the United States is only 4000 miles from a continent with a population which must be close to a billion. In the Philippines you are less than 100 miles from where the Japanese flag is waving, and should you conquer Siberia pass under the control of Japan, America would be, in Alaska, within actual sight of Japanese dominions. As a result, too much cannot be done to spread a conception of Asia as a whole, and most populated of the continents, to which the world owes its greatest religious, the continent of incredible political, social and commercial possibilities.

ASIATIC QUESTION LOOMS

"The average man, if he thinks of the world outside America, thinks of a perturbed Europe; but think how greatly perturbed Asia, how many corners of that vast continent there are in which it is known that two European generals were taken captive by Asiatic troops in Asia during the war. Think of the stories that more

BORDER PATROLLED BY 25 U. S. PLANES

San Antonio, Texas, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Twenty-five United States army airplanes patrolled the international border today watching movements of Mexican federal and revolutionary troops.

Patrols are between El Paso, Texas, and Douglas, Ariz. The airplanes were in constant communication with flight headquarters by wireless. They took the air early today.

No announcement was made how long the patrol would be continued. Each plane carried a pilot and an observer. A big dirigible balloon has been ordered from Camp Langley, Va., for border service, it was learned today. The balloon will be stationed over Camp Bierre, near El Paso, Texas.

Measure to Cede Malheur Lake Bird Reservation Filed

Salem, April 30.—Copies of the measure being initiated by the Roosevelt Bird Refuge association, proposing that Oregon cede the title to the Malheur lake reservation to the federal government as a bird preserve, were filed with the secretary of state's office here this morning and have been forwarded to Attorney General B. F. Howell, who will prepare a bill for the measure, that it may be circulated for signatures in order that it may be given a place on the November ballot.

The measure not only proposes that the state cede all rights in the reservation, as set apart by executive order of President Roosevelt, to the federal government, but proposes "that the people of Oregon request the national government to change the name of the reservation, designating it as 'the Roosevelt Bird Refuge,' in memory of the president who set it apart as a reservation, especially to preserve Oregon native waterfowl by protecting their nests and breeding grounds."

Thousands Leaving Paris in Dread of May Day Clashes

Paris, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Despite the impression that there will be no serious trouble in Paris May 1, thousands of persons are leaving Paris and going to the provinces to avoid the demonstrations promised for Saturday. The government is disposing of its forces to meet possible emergencies. Particular attention will be paid to protecting railways and subways. It is known that the government is bringing into the city large forces of machine guns and tanks.

Peninsula Park to Have Maypole Dance

Children of Peninsula park community house will give a series of Maypole dances on park lawn Saturday afternoon, followed by the final social dance of the spring season, which will be held in the evening in the gymnasium. The dances will be under the direction of Jewel Foster, Alta Travis and Robert Gerrell.

BONUS BILL IS REPORTED FOR HOUSE ACTION

Victory Taxes Provided to Raise Funds for Payment of \$1.25 a Day to Soldiers; Democrats Oppose Tax on Sales Plan.

Washington, April 30.—Payment of a cash bonus to American war veterans of \$1.25 for each day of service, in excess of 60 days, is provided in a bill agreed on this afternoon by the Republican majority in control of the house ways and means committee. "Victory taxes" are provided to raise funds for the payment of the bonus.

The ways and means committee, by a strictly party vote, favorably reported to the house the soldier bonus bill.

If approved by the Republican caucus today, the measure will be called up in the house next Monday for action.

Democrats strongly opposed the provisions of the bill providing for a tax on sales, but were outvoted by the Republicans.

FOUR OPTIONAL PLANS

Besides the cash bonus, there are four optional plans of compensation proposed.

1. An unadjusted paid-up insurance policy, vacation training aid, farm or home aid, and land settlement aid.

2. The special taxes provided to raise revenues to meet the soldier payments are:

Increased surtaxes of 1 per cent on net income between \$5000 and \$10,000, 2 per cent between \$10,000 and \$20,000, 3 per cent over \$20,000.

Stock and bond transfers and produce exchange sales between December 1, 1919, and November 3, 1922, 2 cents on each \$10 of face value or 20 cents on each share without face value.

December 1, 1922, 2 cents on each \$100 of face value real estate sales, 25 cents for each \$50 of payments; an average of 15 per cent increase on existing cigar, snuff and tobacco taxes; sales tax 1 per cent.

3. A revolving fund of \$300,000,000 is appropriated from the treasury to help pay the proposed bonus legislation in immediate effect.

POLES ROUT REDS; 10,000 CAPTURED

London, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Continuing their smashing offensive northeastward, Polish troops under General Pilsudski have broken the Russian lines over a wide front and captured 10,000 prisoners and hundreds of guns, according to a Central News dispatch from Berlin today.

Vinnitsa has been reached and occupied by the Poles, who are now but a few days' march from Kiev.

(Vinnitsa was a city of about 40,000 population in Podolia, on the River Bug.)

NEW WAR BETWEEN POLES AND REDS LOOMS

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London, April 30.—Under a cloak of secrecy 10 days ago, the newest European war between Poland and Russian Reds threatens to assume gigantic proportions. It is attracting keen attention on the part of both war and foreign offices because of its combined military and political character.

Military authorities are interested because the situation is quite similar to that at the beginning of the world war, when the splendidly equipped, thoroughly well armed German war machine attacked the unprepared allies. The Poles are certain to win whirlwind victories at present. H. Thomas and C. E. Cleveland, principal of Benson school, was revised to meet the situation as school officials see it. The revised contract will be returned to the federal board for ratification before the school opening this summer.

Portland May Win Columbia Rate Case, La Roche Declares

Assurance that Portland has an excellent chance to win in the Columbia river basin rate case, which was recently argued before the interstate commerce commission in Washington, was given this morning in a letter received by Deputy City Attorney Latourette from City Attorney La Roche, who has watched the city's interests during the hearing.

"My impression of the hearing is that we will win for Portland a substantial victory," says La Roche. "We are thoroughly convinced that equities of the case are with our home city."

The case was admitted to membership in the supreme court of the United States, according to his letter. He will not return to Portland before the middle of May, owing to a two weeks' vacation. He intends to take it at his old home at Savannah, Ga.

Man Is Arrested; Liquor Confiscated

Eda Salvia was arrested by revenue agents Thursday night at 470 Church street and an apparatus for the manufacture of moonshine whiskey was confiscated. The still was complete and, according to authorities, was in full operation when it was taken. Bonds were set at \$1000.

David B. Thomas And E. R. Thomas Drowned While On Fishing Trip

David B. Thomas, assistant chief clerk of the Portland water bureau, and E. R. Thomas, a salesman for the Frank L. McGuire real estate agency, but not related, were drowned early Thursday morning while fishing just below the falls at Oregon City. The men left Portland at an early hour Thursday morning and drove by automobile to a boat-house operated by H. C. Frisbie on the east side of the river at Oregon City.

Frisbie says that he rented a boat to a man giving the name of Thomas, accompanied by another man, at about 5 a. m. The men answered the description of the Thomases. At 6:30 the boat was found drifting down the river by other fishermen. A search was begun immediately for its occupants.

The automobile was found parked near the Frisbie boat-house. Portland friends of the missing men were notified and this morning L. S. Kaiser, superintendent of water bureau, was accompanied by City Grappler Hugh Brady and H. L. German, chief clerk of the water bureau, went to Oregon City to search for the bodies. Up to 10 p. m. this afternoon their efforts proved unavailing.

David B. Thomas lived with his widowed mother at 935 East Twentieth street north. E. R. Thomas lived at 1346 East Nineteenth street and is survived by his wife and a son, 18 years old. The men had been friends since boyhood and frequently went on fishing trips together.

According to H. C. Frisbie, proprietor of the boat-house where the Thomases were drowned, the men were seen rowing up the river toward the falls. They took along two sets of oars and Frisbie presumes that they pulled the boat too near the falls and were swamped in the strong current. Only David B. Thomas was seen when it was found and the craft was badly battered.

E. R. Thomas was 41 years old and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thomas of Mount Pleasant, Miss. Just as the trousters and the alleged son of Mrs. M. A. Thomas, with whom he made his home.

Trousers Containing \$145 Wallet Stolen; Thief Is Arrested

A pair of trousers containing \$145 in a wallet proved too great a temptation for George Arthur Hopkins, alias Ray Rex, convicted for highway robbery in 1918, according to the story told this morning by Motorcycle Officer Stiles.

Hopkins was arrested in the bathroom of the Ryan rooming house at 2634 Fifth street. The trousers were found in an air vent in the same room.

M. Ford, Sheridan, Or., reported to the police that some one had stolen the trousers from his room about 7:45 a. m. Just as the trousers and the alleged son of Mrs. M. A. Thomas, with whom he made his home.

Federal Contracts For Use of Benson School Are Drawn

Tentative contracts between the federal board of vocational education and school district No. 1 for the use of Benson Polytechnic school for the training of vocational students for the summer months are being drawn up today.

D. D. Johnson and R. C. Hunt of the federal board are in the city with a tentative proposition which, after conference with Superintendent D. A. Groat, principal of Benson school, was revised to meet the situation as school officials see it. The revised contract will be returned to the federal board for ratification before the school opening this summer.

Dr. Mayo Is Awarded Distinguished Medal

Washington, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—The war department announced today that Colonel Charles H. Mayo (discharged) of Rochester, Minn., a distinguished surgeon, has been awarded the distinguished service medal for his services in the reorganization of the medical service of the army during the war.

Rent Profiteering Investigations by City to Be Reported

Results of rent profiteering investigations conducted by a committee consisting of Deputy City Attorney Mackay, will be placed before the mayor's committee of eight next Monday or Tuesday, according to word given out by Mackay this morning.

GREAT LUMBER MILL PLANNED FOR ASTORIA

Amedee M. Smith and R. A. Booth Take Option on Site; Said to Represent Long-Bell Co., Recent Heavy Buyer of Timber.

Astoria, April 30.—Amedee M. Smith of Portland and R. A. Booth of Eugene have secured an option on 160 acres of land owned by the Astoria Marine Iron works, and valued at \$100,000. The tract has a frontage of approximately 2500 feet on Youngs bay and is being secured as the site for a mill estimated to cost more than \$2,000,000.

It is understood that Booth represents the Long-Bell Lumber company of Kansas City. This concern has made heavy purchases of timber land in Oregon and Washington and, it is stated on good authority, will erect the largest lumber mill on the coast at Astoria, giving employment to more than 1000 men in its various departments.

The Long-Bell Lumber company recently secured a large tract of timber in the Columbia river basin for \$6,000,000 and has enough timber available to operate the proposed mill for many years. J. M. Anderson of the Scandinavian-American bank, who is largely responsible for the transfer of the water frontage, said Thursday night:

"This sale means big things for Astoria. I am confident that the location of the new lumber mill here will bring other industries to the city."

The deal was closed Thursday night at Portland, Walter S. Hidden and Amedee M. Smith acting for R. A. Booth and Thomas Bilyeu, and V. A. Vickers representing the Astoria Marine Iron works.

The acreage purchased extends westward from the bridge across Youngs bay and will be served by truckage connected with the Astoria municipal belt line. Tentative plans call for the construction of a 40 acre pond for log booms.

The tract purchased is a portion of 11,000 feet of water frontage purchased by the Astoria Marine Iron works in 1917 and is considered the most valuable frontage in the Astoria district. The iron works owns a 300 acre tract adjoining that secured by Booth and his associates.

SUGAR SEIZED IN GOVERNMENT RAIDS

Omaha, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Federal officials early today raided storage warehouses here and seized 168,000 pounds of sugar valued at \$32,200. The sugar was owned by retail dealers and the raids followed information obtained by the government that the sugar was being held for speculation.

The sugar may be thrown on the market to relieve the present shortage and prosecutions under the Lever act may follow.

Sugar Is Unavailable

Chicago, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Sugar buyers were unable to obtain the product at 32 cents a pound, wholesale, here today. One lot was sold for 31 cents a pound Thursday, the highest price on record in Chicago.

Irvine and Pence to Discuss Millage Tax

B. F. Irvine, editor of The Oregon Journal, and the Rev. E. H. Pence, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, will be speaking before more than 500 citizens of Portland who will gather tomorrow noon at the grill room of the Portland hotel to hear discussions on the elementary school millage question. Edgar B. Piper, editor of the Oregonian, will be chairman.

Chicago Lunches to Be Cheaper if New Experiment Works

Chicago, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Restaurant queues were formed here today when one lunch lunch room, chopped prices from 20 to 50 per cent on the cost of soup, beef stew, hash, beans, eggs and toast.

"It's a test and if it is successful we will carry out the same plan in all our restaurants," said Charles Weighman, co-owner of the restaurant.

Curious Throng Stops to Catch View of Jewels Of Czar's Family

Hundreds of curious, half credulous Portland folk craned their necks over each other's shoulders before the windows of a Washington street jeweler Thursday to catch a glimpse of a great canary diamond on display. The stone, which to the untrained eye resembles a huge aquamarine of palest yellow tint, is 70% karats in weight and is valued at \$50,000 by its owners. It is fully as large as a walnut cut in two.

In the same window was shown a perfect white diamond, 21 karats in weight and valued at \$25,000. The smaller stone was shown in a platinum ring setting.

The stones came from the Kimberly mines in South Africa and are alleged to have been among the gems of the famous collection of the deceased Romanoff family of Russia. The canary diamond, said to be the most perfect stone of its kind in the world, was one of the crown jewels of the ex-czar and was worn on state occasions. The stones were closely guarded during their exhibition in Portland.

The gems were brought here for exhibition purposes only. They were smuggled out of Russia during the uncertain days of the revolution and came into the possession of a wholesale firm in New York city.

A prospective buyer has been found in the oil well district of Texas and the gem may soon find its way to its new owner.

The two diamonds shown in Portland are only a small sample of the gems brought from Russia during the uncertain days of the last few years. A pearl necklace, one of the treasures of the czarina, was recently sold in New York to an unknown buyer for \$140,000.

SHIPWRECK APPEAL MAY TAKE YEAR

Examination of the records of the Columbia River Shipbuilding corporation and the Northwest Steel company by the federal grand jury now investigating the local steel ship construction yards, may be held up for as long as a year, if the action now planned by attorneys for these corporations is carried out.

NEWSPRINT MEN FACING INQUIRY

Washington, April 30.—(U. P.)—Thorough investigation of charges that print paper brokers are profiteering was decided upon by the senate manufacturers subcommittee, Senator Reed, Missouri, chairman, declared that nearly a score of brokers and dealers, mainly from New York, will be called.

School Head Says Fund Lack Leads To Poor Teachers

Eugene, April 30.—At the luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday the University of Oregon club sang and the millage tax controversy of elementary education was explained by E. F. Carleton, assistant state superintendent of public instruction. Carleton said that this year school boards had been forced to employ teachers who ranged from 25 to 35 per cent in examinations.

As illustrating the gross inequality of the present system of raising school funds by districts, he pointed to the fact that the state has \$40,000,000 worth of assessable property that is contributing nothing to the school funds. He predicted that next fall Oregon would face a shortage of 500 teachers unless provision was made for an increase of salaries by legislation.

Searchlight Rays In Portland Seen By Salem Citizens

Salem, April 30.—The rays of light from the giant searchlight being tried out in Portland by the forest service Thursday night were plainly discernible from here, although the direct shaft of light failed to penetrate this far, due to fog and clouds, which it was necessary to project the light over the intervening mountains.

State Forester F. A. Elliott and C. C. Scott, deputy forester, observed the signals from the forest service building. "It has suggested that the searchlight be tried out from Mount Tabor in Portland in the test tonight."

Persian Reds Appeal To Lenin for Help

London, April 30.—(U. N. S.)—Bolsheviks in Azerbaijan have appealed to Premier Lenin for assistance, according to a Russian wireless dispatch from Moscow today.

Azerbaijan is the most northwesterly province of Persia and includes a part of Armenia.

WATER POWER FIGHT ENDS IN VICTORY

After Twelve Years' Wrangling Measure Is Reported to Senate; Commission to Administer Leases and Regulate Rights.

Washington, April 30.—(U. P.)—The waterpower bill as agreed to by house and senate conferees was reported to the senate today by Senator Jones, Washington, chairman of the senate committee.

The conference report marks the end of a 12-year fight between the branches of congress over legislation regarding waterpower sites on navigable streams. The bill creates a federal power commission to administer leases and regulate the use of water power on public domains by private corporations.

The bill would permit 50-year licenses on power sites. At the expiration of the period the government is given the option of purchasing the plant by paying the licensee his net investment, less a new license upon reasonable terms or issuing a license to a new licensee, who shall pay the original licensee for his net investment, according to the explanation of Senator Jones. The United States may take over and operate any water power plant in time of war or for any purpose involving the safety of the country.

Jones estimated that \$5,000,000 in potential water power is wasted every year and said that under the bill water power projects having a total capacity of over 40,000 horsepower are ready to be undertaken upon enactment of the bill.

"Completion of these projects would open up over 4000 miles of the upper reaches of our streams and rivers to navigation," he said. "The cost of these river improvements, if undertaken by the government, would be upwards of \$500,000,000 and if accomplished by private capital for purposes of power production instead of through taxation would not cost the government a dollar except for the locks and removal of minor obstacles in those portions of the streams not run by power dams."