

WITNESSES OF CRUELTY BY MRS. RITA MATHUS

The pained cries of abused little children echoed through the crowded municipal court room Thursday afternoon when a jury before Judge George Rosman heard the preliminary evidence on charges of assault and battery against Mrs. Rita E. Mathus, 135 Montgomery street.

Mrs. Mathus, 32, was charged with the brutal beating of her two children, a 10-year-old boy and a 7-year-old girl, on the morning of July 17.

Witnesses testified that Mrs. Mathus had just entered direct testimony in her own behalf, following the closing of the state's case against her, when court was adjourned.

Little Edna Romanski, 3 years old, exhibited her blackened eye and her bruised body to the jury as evidence of the brutality with which Mrs. Mathus had treated her.

Mrs. Mathus, represented by Attorney Eric and Brazier, is being prosecuted by Otto J. Kraemer and Deputy City Attorney Stanley.

Following the impugning of the jurors Thursday afternoon the six witnesses for the prosecution were examined and cross-examined.

Mrs. Mathus was the only witness examined for the defense and her testimony is not complete.

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Juneau, Alaska, July 23.—(U. P.)—That Canadian boats on the Alaska run make greater speed at all times through fog than American vessels was the testimony of Arvid Franzen, homesteader of Doty's Cove, given yesterday afternoon at the Princess Sophia Hospital here.

The witness declared that both the Princess Sophia and the Princess Alice ran faster through fog when they passed his place than was safe.

Another witness was E. E. Cowden of the naval radio service, on duty in Juneau October 24, 1918.

Two hundred and eighty persons were drowned when the Sophia went down in Lynn canal in October, 1918.

MARSHFIELD AWARDED 1921 ELKS' SESSION

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GRIEF FOR DEAD SOLDIER HUSBAND DRIES TO DEATH

Albany, Or., July 23.—A pair of house slippers side by side on the bank of the Santiam ditch, less than two miles from Albany, this morning bore mute evidence of the unquenchable love of Mrs. Edyth Knox, aged 25, of Wichita, Kan., for her husband, who died nearly three years ago of influenza-pneumonia at Camp Funston, Kansas, while serving with the United States army.

Mrs. Knox and her mother, Mrs. John Samuels of Wichita, had come to Portland early in the summer to visit with Mrs. Samuels' sister-in-law, Mrs. R. G. Shaw, and with Mrs. Shaw's daughter, Ida, and the three of them came to Albany, yesterday the young woman's mother and the other members of the party went to Newport on a pleasure trip, leaving Mrs. Knox at the Hunt home.

According to Mr. and Mrs. Hunt the young woman had shown no signs of insanity yesterday and was not in unusually low spirits, although she is known to have been grieving over the death of her husband, Bert Knox, and to have been in poor health that followed an attack of influenza that she contracted while visiting with her husband at the time of his illness.

Last night Mrs. Knox went to bed as usual after washing a letter to a friend living in Kansas. This morning at 6 o'clock she was found missing and a thorough search of the house and premises as well as of surrounding country failed to reveal a trace of her until the slippers were found at the ditch which furnishes water for the city of Albany and furnishes power for the Mountain States Power company plant here.

The ditch overflows into the Cascade near its union with the Willamette. No other clothing of any kind was left on the bank, and Mrs. Knox left her night clothes in her room. Only her underwear was found missing this morning.

The bridge at which Mrs. Knox is believed to have met her death is near the Albany-Lebanon railway branch at a point nearly two miles from Albany. The water is swift, and it is believed the body has been carried into Albany.

The letter, which was opened this morning by Coroner Fisher, shed no light upon Mrs. Knox's state of mind. It is said, and indicated no intention of suicide. The theory is advanced that the grieving widow suffered a momentary fit of insanity that was brought on by the combined influence of her grief and effects of illness.

Drys Nominate Watkins as Head

Lincoln, Neb., July 23.—(U. P.)—The National Prohibition party was definitely in the field with a national ticket, following refusal of William J. Bryan last night to accept the presidential nomination.

The convention selected a presidential and vice presidential nominee and laid plans for the national campaign.

The ticket follows: Aaron S. Watkins, German town, Ohio, college professor, for president; D. Leigh Colvin, New York city, historian of the Prohibition party, for vice-president.

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PAINLESS NERVE BLOCKING SHOWN AT DENTAL CLINIC

Painless nerve blocking in dentistry was demonstrated to Oregon dentists Friday morning at the North Pacific college by Dr. Arthur E. Smith of Chicago on patients who applied at the clinic for free treatment at the twenty-seventh annual convention of the Oregon State dental association.

Dr. Smith gave post-graduate lectures on block anesthesia and oral surgery and explained that there is no longer any reason for a dentist causing pain.

Following the clinic, the dentists met in a nearby theatre, where Dr. Smith showed 5000 feet of motor picture film illustrating block anaesthesia.

The early part of the afternoon was occupied with classes under the direction of Dr. E. T. Tinker, Dr. A. W. Ward and Dr. Smith. The annual business session followed. There will be no session Friday evening.

Saturday the dentists will leave the North Pacific college at 8 a. m. for an automobile trip over the Columbia river highway. A box luncheon will be served at Bonhomme. Entertainment is provided through the courtesy of dental supply houses, laboratories and the Portland District Dental society.

Thursday evening an inter-fraternity banquet was held at the Benson hotel at which Dr. A. W. Ward of San Francisco, Dr. E. T. Tinker of Minneapolis, Dr. W. A. Price of Cleveland and Dr. A. E. Smith of Chicago were speakers.

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(Continued From Page One) riots will end," said Sir Kimmar Greenwood, addressing a night session of the house of commons. "The disorders are evidently the result of the murder of Inspector General Smyth at Cork, who never used the words for which he was slain."

The Irish secretary referred to an anti-Irish speech which Inspector General Smyth was alleged by the Sinn Feiners to have given in the creation of new courts in Ireland to deal quickly with every criminal offense. These tribunals, he said, would supersede the civil courts.

Sir Nevil McReady, commander of the British troops in Ireland, and Lord French, vicerey of Ireland, were called into a consultation during the cabinet meeting today. The Belfast fighting is believed to have been under consideration.

Police and Civilians Fight Dublin, July 23.—(I. N. S.)—Serious fighting between civilians and police was reported from Leam, near Skibberen, today. The town hall was blown up.

Ninety Wounded in Rioting London, July 23.—(I. N. S.)—Ninety persons were wounded in rioting that followed an attempt to blow up the Campbarran power house, said an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Rome today.

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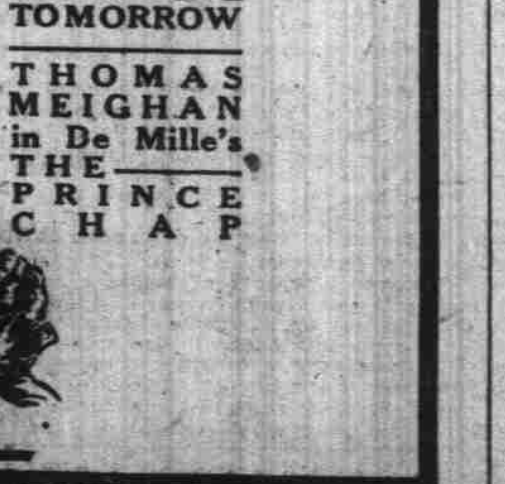
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