

RAUNCHER ASSERTS SHOOTING DONE IN DEFENSE OF SELF

Roseburg, Jan. 16.—Alleging that he shot Douglas Tapp, 33, long a resident of Douglas county, to death at the Wallace Freyer ranch, four miles southeast of Elkton, C. M. Young, 49, a rancher, is in jail here on a murder charge. The shooting occurred Sunday evening about 10:30 o'clock. Tapp was listed as a fugitive from justice in the federal court at Portland.

Young blamed moonshine, manufactured by Tapp, for the quarrel leading up to the shooting. "I went to the Freyer ranch Saturday and stayed all night. Roy Hughes and Freyer were there. I saw Tapp. Douglas Tapp came in about 11 o'clock and remained overnight. We started out hunting Sunday morning. Hughes and I went one way and Freyer and Tapp went another. It was so foggy we couldn't see anything the way we went, and Hughes and I went back to the house. 'Doug' Tapp came in a little later with a deer. We went out again in the afternoon. This time I went with Freyer, and Hughes went with Tapp. We didn't see anything and came back again.

SAID HE WAS FUGITIVE "Doug" came in in the evening with another deer. We were sitting around the fire, talking. 'Doug' was telling us about making whiskey, selling it and drinking it. He was drunk at the time. He suddenly jumped up and said, 'I'm a fugitive from justice and I'd just as soon shoot you as anybody.' He pointed his gun at me; it was a 38-30 carbine. I pushed it aside as it went off. I tumbled with him, but he was too strong for me. He succeeded in throwing him off and grabbed my gun, which was leaning against the wall. As I raised my gun up to strike him and went off. Tapp fell. I backed out from the house and Hughes followed me. I didn't return to the cabin and didn't know whether Tapp had been killed or not.

In reply to an interrogation from Sheriff Starmer as to who were present at the time the shooting took place, Young said that both Hughes and Freyer were present. Freyer, he said, had been drinking heavily and at the time the shot was fired was "lying on the bed drunk and didn't realize the shooting."

WAS "AWFUL" DRUNK "Freyer was awful drunk," Young said, "but as he left he said, 'My God, Young, this is awful.' " "I didn't know what he, Freyer, might do," went on Young in relating his version of the affair. He expressed no outward sign of excitement or nervousness. "He was drunk; he was sleepy drunk—just awful. So I backed out of the house."

It was at this juncture of the story that Sheriff Starmer inquired about the amount of moonshine consumed by the quartet. Young readily admitted that considerable so-called moonshine whiskey had been consumed. "I took two drinks mixed with hot water and sugar, but I didn't like it," Tapp made the liquor, he said. "There was a long jug of moonshine on the table at the house," he added.

WENT AFTER OFFICER After the shooting Young, accompanied by Hughes, whiskey, selling it and drinking it, a short distance from the Freyer home, where Young remained while Hughes went after an officer. Neither of the men returned to the scene of the murder, according to Young's story which was told in a straightforward manner. However, eye witnesses to the tragedy have not made any statement and the true details will probably not be known until an inquest is held.

Sheriff Starmer and Coroner Fryer left Monday afternoon for the Freyer home, where an investigation will be conducted, but on account of the bad conditions of roads in that district at this time of the year the county officers will be unable to reach their destination before today. Young, who quietly submitted to arrest, was taken to Oakland, 18 miles north of this city, by a deputy and turned over to Sheriff Starmer, who brought the alleged murderer here and lodged him in jail.

YOUNG'S REPUTATION GOOD Young is quiet and unassuming and does not seem to realize that he has done anything wrong. He has resided on a farm near Elkton for the last three years and has a wife and two small sons living in La Crescent, Cal. He had planned to join his family soon and intended to sell his Elkton farm and take up his residence in the South, so he told Sheriff Starmer.

He has a good reputation and so far as is known has never been in trouble. On the other hand, Douglas Tapp, the dead man, has given the local officers considerable trouble and at the time of his death was being sought on a warrant charging him with illicit manufacture of moonshine. The authorities were not aware that he was in the county. According to the county prison records, Tapp was arrested July 10, 1920, and served in the county jail here for an unprovoked attack on his uncle, Wallace Freyer, at whose home the fatal shooting took place. The charge was dropped, however, and Tapp was subsequently released. Authorities say he has been in trouble several times and that he has the reputation of being of a quarrelsome nature. A moonshine still, alleged to have been operated by Tapp, was discovered by the officers near Yoncalla some time ago. A quantity of mash used in the manufacture of moonshine was confiscated and the still destroyed, but Tapp succeeded in evading arrest and his tragic death comes as a dramatic end

Spirit of Motor Car Is Typified Portland Show To Be Art Triumph



Benjamin D. Larsen, who is designing the mural decorations for Portland's Automobile show at the Auditorium next week.

Decorations for Portland's 1922 Automobile show at The Auditorium next week promise to be a treat to students of decorative art. The color and lighting scheme for this exhibition will be an artistic trimming, it is said. The work is being produced by two Portland men, John L. Stark, a professional decorator, and Benjamin D. Larsen, who is a graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts of Boston, as designer of the color work and mural features which are the keynote of the scheme. On all three floors of the building one long series of nymphs and urchins make up a wall decoration totaling over three quarters of a mile in length. It is easily one of the most unique things that Port-

land has ever witnessed and will be particularly interesting to art students of this character of work. This feature is the result of many weeks of study by Larsen and is his own conception of the symbolic representation of life, color and light as embodying the spirit of the modern motor car. Monday, the opening day of the Automobile show, is to be "school children's day," and up until 6 o'clock every youngster will be admitted for 10 cents. The directors of the association voted Monday night that in view of the highest which the average youngster has in a motor car and the educational value of the immense show being staged some recognition of him was warranted, hence the Monday arrangements.

to the long search conducted by prohibition and other officers. DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS It was learned that the soft-nosed rifle from Young's 30-30 Winchester bullet struck Tapp in the head and that death was instantaneous. Sheriff Starmer dispatched one of his deputies from Oakland to remain with the body until an inquest can be held. Douglas Tapp and John Moore were charged in the United States district court in Portland, November 15, 1921, with violating the prohibition law by operating a still. Moore posted \$250 bond on November 18 and was released. Tapp was not apprehended. He was classed as a fugitive from justice.

Seismograph Records Earthquake Temblor

Washington, Jan. 17.—(I. N. S.)—An earthquake disturbance of a very severe type, lasting for almost two hours, was recorded on the seismograph of Georgetown University observatory here last night and early today. The disturbances began at 10:58 p. m. and continued until 1 a. m. with the maximum recorded at 11:06 p. m. Observers estimated the disturbance to be 2500 miles generally south of Washington.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Salem, Jan. 17.—Eight opinions were handed down by the supreme court this morning as follows: Nettie Saville vs. R. E. Saville, appellant; appeal from Lane county; suit for divorce. Opinion by Justice McCourt. Judge G. F. Skipworth affirmed. R. W. Nicholas, plaintiff and appellant, vs. Yamhill county and Sheriff W. G. Henderson; appeal from Yamhill county; suit to restrain collection of special tax. Opinion by Justice McCourt. Judge H. H. Belt affirmed. Charles F. Kleinschmidt vs. Central Trust company, et al; appellants; appeal from Baker county; suit to enforce specific performance of an oral agreement. Opinion by Justice Harris. Judge Gustav Anderson reversed. Cecil C. Carter, appellant, vs. Simon Estate company; appeal from Coos county; suit to foreclose mortgage. Opinion by Chief Justice Burnett. Judge John F. Coke affirmed. John Larson, et al vs. Bert Loeten, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; suit for rescission of exchange of property. Opinion by Justice McCurt. Judge George Tagwell affirmed. C. R. Rieger, appellant, vs. Anita L. Harrington; appeal from Multnomah county; suit for the purpose of having admeasured his alleged curtesy right of an estate. Opinion by Justice Brown. Judge Robert G. Morrow affirmed. Richard Woolsey, appellant, vs. M. I. Draper, et al; appeal from Malheur county. Petition of rehearing denied in opinion by Justice Rand. A. E. Gantenbein, administrator of estate of C. U. Gantenbein, vs. Joseph T. Bowles, et al; appellants; appeal from Multnomah county; suit to subject funds of Willamette Building & Realty company to payment of copartnership debt for an accounting. Opinion by Justice Bean. Judge H. H. Belt affirmed. Petitions for rehearing granted in this vs. Krieger and Leet vs. East.

RAILROAD PEACE LOOMS, FOLLOWING HOOVER'S ACTION

By William K. Hatchison Washington, Jan. 17.—(I. N. S.)—Resumption of direct negotiations between rail executives and the big four brotherhoods loomed today as a nation-wide peace move in the tangled affairs of railroad labor. The movement, awaiting merely formal approval by railroad heads and executive committees of the brotherhoods, was intended as a means of averting a general rail strike this spring. It came as the result of "peace conferences" staged here by Secretary of Commerce Hoover.

The plan which was suggested by the administration, involves the restoration of all pre-war regional conferences. It was the intention of the administration, it was learned today, to have all outstanding disputes either settled or on the way to settlement within a month by these regional conferences. By this means administration officials hope to avert strike movements which now loom ominously.

The peace move, its supporters hope, will be well advanced by the month. The initial sessions of the regional boards are contemplated for February 16, according to announcements by Secretary Hoover. This date was selected, it was learned, in order to have the "direct negotiations, actually under way prior to the annual springing of railroad traffic. Backers of the movement pointed out today that the regional bodies will in no way interfere with, nor usurp, the authority of the United States railway labor board.

RAIL UNIONS THREATEN TO ASK 5 PER CENT WAGE RISE (By United News) New York, Jan. 17.—Proposed wage cuts affecting 750,000 workers on Eastern railroads are being discussed between managers and employees in New York, Jersey City, Buffalo and Bethlehem, Pa. Rail union officials, before going into the conferences, declared they put up counter proposals for a general 5 cents an hour increase. The schedules proposed by the rail executives are: Train service—Reduction of 10 per cent in addition to 12 1/2 per cent ordered by labor board last July. Shop workers—Skilled labor reduced from 77 to 62 cents an hour, semi-skilled and car labor to 62 cents, signalmen and gang foremen to 67 cents, and shop and roundhouse labor to 53 cents. Maintenance of Way—Cut 35 cents an hour for mechanics who did not receive as great increases as in shop crafts. Track labor based on 30 and 35 cents. Freight Handlers—To get 33 to 35 cents an hour. Telegraphers and Clerks—Graded reduction and elimination of certain inequalities in pay.

The Lackawanna & Western is meeting its workers' committee here. The other conferences are: New York Central at Buffalo; Central Railroad of New Jersey at Jersey City; Lehigh Valley at Bethlehem. J. A. Robertson, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Expressmen, Station Employees, and chairman of the system board of adjustment of the New York Central lines, said the men were waiting to hear what the managers of the roads had to say, but that he felt sure they would not accept a wage cut.

Breaks His Record Laying Dance Floor

T. A. Huffaker, master mechanic of The Auditorium, broke his own record for laying the big dance floor Monday night. Work of taking out the seats and laying the floor began at mid-night and was completed at 7:30 this morning, beating previous records by three hours. The floor was laid and specially braced for the automobile show which opens next week.

Forest Protection Standards Will Be Discussed at Meet

C. S. Chapman of the Western Forestry and Conservation association has called the annual meeting of the standardization committee for January 30 and 31 in the green room of the Chamber of Commerce. The committee is composed of 15 members from Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho and Montana, representing the federal government, state and private timber owners. Secretaries of most of the patrol organizations and some other state and government officials will attend. The main purpose of the meeting will be to discuss forest protection and to arrive at some method of standardization of practices between the different agencies and the states. Forest fires, insects, fungi and other forest destructive agencies will be discussed, as well as the "fire camp menace" of the public camp ground.

Indian Riots Are Checked by Police

London, Jan. 17.—(I. N. S.)—With drawn clubs the police at Meerut, India, charged over roof tops and discharging missiles upon crowds in the street, said a dispatch from Allahabad to the Evening News today.

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

Arlington, Jan. 17.—Fred Douglas, proprietor of a lunch counter near the station, was stricken with paralysis Monday. His condition is critical.

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Launch Roosevelt Progressive Party; Is for Women Only

(By Central Service) Chicago, Jan. 17.—The Roosevelt Progressive party, a new political organization exclusively for women, was formed here Monday. It is to be a real political machine with a "boss" and everything. The incorporation certificate says its "purpose is to nominate or support candidates who are not subject to domination by 'invisible governments' or to control, dictation or domination of 'political bosses'."

Mrs. Nettie Tuffer McGrath, acknowledged by other members as the "boss," made only a one-sentence comment today: "I am distinctly interested in women acting as an independent political unit," was all she would say.

Woodburn Lawyer Drops Dead While Quizzing Witness

Salem, Jan. 17.—While cross-examining a witness in Judge Percy R. Kelly's court about a 1919 larceny this morning, E. P. Morcom, Woodburn attorney, 61 years old, dropped dead. He had practiced law in Marion county courts for about 25 years and was admitted to practice in the supreme court of the United States last October.

ELISHA P. MORCOM LONG MARION COUNTY ATTORNEY Woodburn, Jan. 17.—Elisha P. Morcom, pioneer lawyer of Woodburn, who dropped dead in Salem this morning, was born February 6, 1860, at Dodgeville, Wis. He was assistant postmaster four years at Dodgeville. He began to read law when 15 years of age and was admitted to practice while at Tower, Minn., where he was in the law office of the Minnesota Iron company for three years and served three years on the board of education. He began to read law when 15 years of age and was admitted to practice while at Tower, Minn., where he was in the law office of the Minnesota Iron company for three years and served three years on the board of education. He began to read law when 15 years of age and was admitted to practice while at Tower, Minn., where he was in the law office of the Minnesota Iron company for three years and served three years on the board of education. He began to read law when 15 years of age and was admitted to practice while at Tower, Minn., where he was in the law office of the Minnesota Iron company for three years and served three years on the board of education.

Charles W. Purdin Indicted for Murder Of Wife and Sigsby

Charles W. Purdin, who slew his former wife, Agnes, and H. W. Sigsby on the night of December 30, was today indicted by the grand jury on a charge of first degree murder. The body of Mrs. Purdin, shot through the head, was found by the dead woman's sister in a bedroom and that of Sigsby, hacked by an ax, in another room in the Purdin home at 488 East Forty-seventh street. Purdin, over-come by gas, with which he attempted suicide, was lying on the kitchen floor. Purdin admitted to police that he committed the double slaying upon his return from California, when he found the couple in Mrs. Purdin's bedroom. Other indictments: Earl Cox, drawing check with insufficient funds, \$4 overdraft; Isaac Cooper, drawing check with insufficient funds, \$25; Alfred Ahlden, assault and robbery, December 19; Charles Anderson, losing \$45 gold watch and \$3 in cash; Claud Kendall, alias Harry E. Crandall, November 14, forged note passed on R. E. Heller; Ralph Drog, threatening to commit a felony, in that he told Andrew Dodack, "I am going to kill you"; and May Talbridge, larceny of \$160 from Thorvold Gubberud.

OREGON MAN GETS LICENSE

Kalamazoo, Wash., Jan. 17.—A marriage license was issued Monday by Auditor Davis to Frank Miller of North Bend, Or., and Maud Walter of Kansas City, Mo.

Italy Will Hold Out for a Direct Cable to New York

Washington, Jan. 17.—(I. N. S.)—Italy will not give her consent to the Pacific cable agreement recently reached between the powers in Washington unless she is assured of direct communication with New York, it was officially announced today on behalf of the Italian delegation. Italy feels, it was stated, that she has been a stranger to America long enough and she is tired of having all her communications with the United States go through London and Paris and subjected to indefinite delay and foreign scrutiny before reaching their destination.

Mormon Banker, 83, Dies in Salt Lake

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 17.—(U. P.) William Wollerton Ritter, 83, president of the Deseret Savings bank and vice president of the Deseret National bank, died at a local hospital today. He was

Father Offers \$50 For Recovery of His Son's Body

Hoping to get in communication with someone who knows the location of his son's body, Louis Hirsch, sergeant of arms of the city council, has offered a reward of \$50 for the recovery. The son, William Earl Hirsch, was last heard of October 24, 1918. At that time he was working at the Cochrane mill No. 2, near Cochrane, Or. He went hunting and failed to return. Believing that he met with an accident, Hirsch advertised at that time for information as to his whereabouts. Shortly afterwards an anonymous letter was received by the sheriff of Tillamook county saying the body could be found at the old S. P. mill, near Moyer. Search of the grounds, however, failed to reveal any trace.

Smallpox Epidemic Spreading; Lents Is Center of Disease

From Lents, where it originated, smallpox is spreading to other parts of the city, according to Dr. John Able, assistant health officer. Records at the city health office showed this morning that 70 cases of the disease were in quarantine, of which 42 are in Lents. The report of November 23 showed but 14 cases. It is the opinion of the officials of the health bureau that the disease is being spread over the entire country. Dr. J. C. Walsh points out that Kansas City has had a severe epidemic of black pox, the most malignant form, and that it has possibly been brought to Portland by travelers. "There is no reason why smallpox should be regarded with fear," Dr. Walsh said, "provided proper precautions are taken. Vaccination is the only reliable prophylactic, and when it does not entirely make the individual immune it makes the attack light." The doctor advised careful supervision of persons suspected of having the disease, which is evidenced by a rash, and immediate quarantine.

Greenfield's STORE CLOSED! All Day—Tomorrow and Thursday NOTE! It is the usual custom of the "Greenfield" Store at this time of the year to clean out in our various departments—thousands of pairs Men's, Women's and Children's high-grade Shoes, considerably under the regular prices, and this year I submit to the public our greatest Clearance Sale, which will be proclaimed the shoe sensation of the year. (Signed) GEO. L. GREENFIELD. SEE THURSDAY EVENING PAPERS Greenfield's MORRISON ST. AT FOURTH Sole Agents "Hanan" Shoes for Men and Women

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