

# BURNS HEARING ON MURDER CHARGES WILL CLOSE TODAY

Taking of evidence in the murder trial of John L. Burns was set for conclusion early this afternoon and attorneys will make their closing arguments. Four attorneys will talk and the judge will give his instructions, so the case probably will not be placed in the hands of the jury before Thursday morning.

Arthur A. Murphy, attorney for the O-W. R. & N., and John Golts, detective, testified today as rebuttal witnesses for the state that immediately after the arrest of Burns, he confessed to ownership of the pistol found under his pillow when his rooming house at 13th, Russell street was raided. The raid and the arrest of Burns and Dan Casey for the murder took place June 11, three days after the killing.

During the present trial Burns has maintained that his gun was the one found in a storeroom in the house, wrapped in a newspaper dated June 14. The gun found under the pillow marks a bullet just as one of the bullets was marked that was taken from the body of James Harry (Buck) Phillips, the murdered man. Phillips, O-W. R. & N. special agent, was killed in a battle with the boxer bandits in Mocks bottom the night of June 14.

Harry Patterson, itinerant laborer, identified Burns and Patterson as the two men who passed the car on which he was riding a few minutes before the shooting began. The defense has maintained that it was too dark for Patterson to identify the men. D. J. Quimm, employe of the railroad company, was called to the stand today and testified that a test was made in Mocks bottom last Monday night. He sat on a car while a man he did not know walked past. He later picked the man out of a group. The test was made at 10:40. There was no moon and only two street lights on the bluff above the bottom.

## NOTED POET TO BE WEEK-END VISITOR



VACHEL LINDSAY

Vachel Lindsay, reckoned one of America's greatest poets, will receive a fitting welcome when he comes this week-end to deliver a series of readings from his works and a lecture on poetry at Pythian hall Friday evening. He will be tendered a banquet Saturday evening at the Multnomah hotel by the Oregon Writers' league, for which reservations may be made at the J. K. Gill company store.

Like Rudyard Kipling and Jack London, Lindsay was slow in receiving recognition, but when it came, it came in an avalanche. The secret of his poetic power, according to critics, is that he is terrifically human, deeply sympathetic and almost weirdly knowing.

The poet was originally scheduled to speak at the Lincoln high school, but on account of a conflict of dates, Pythian hall was substituted.

## EXTENSION WORK TO BE INSPECTED

The Western States Extension conference closes its indoor sessions at the Multnomah hotel today and on Thursday morning the extension workers will leave in automobiles for Corvallis to observe field and office methods of extension work in Oregon.

General recommendations were adopted at the business meeting held this afternoon at 4:30, at the close of the regular round table sessions of the three divisions represented at the conference.

C. W. Fuglesy, assistant secretary of the present system of radio and telephone communication, will address the members of the local section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers Thursday at 8:15 p. m., at the University club. His subject will be "The Human Voice and Its Electrical Transmission." Mills was the first person whose voice was carried through the ether across land and sea from Washington to Honolulu when radio telephony reached an advance stage in 1915.

## Funeral Services Held Tuesday for Mrs. Prudhomme

Funeral services for Mrs. Amelia Prudhomme, 77 years old, a resident of Portland for 22 years, were held Tuesday in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral. Ten children, all grown, survive her. A few years after her husband died, in 1892, Mrs. Prudhomme left her home in Washington, Wis., to live with her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Tyrrell, in Portland.

Mrs. Prudhomme's children are, besides Mrs. Tyrrell, Mrs. Lew V. Woodward, Portland; Mrs. J. T. Edwards, Medford, Wis.; Mrs. W. L. Jennings, Seattle; William E. John A. Fred W. and Henry C., all of Portland, and Prosper A., of Chilwood, Or.

## To Deport Man Who Attempted to Rob Trevis Hotel Clerk

Richard Pearce, who, just 48 hours after he entered the United States from Canada, attempted to rob the night clerk at the Trevis hotel, Portland, will be deported as soon as state authorities are through with him. R. P. Bonham, U. S. immigration officer, said today. Pearce, says Bonham, entered under false pretenses.

Francesco Campanelli, insane Italian at the hospital at Salem, has been ordered deported. Campanelli will be accompanied by his father, who has volunteered to go back with him.

Hayata Manayo, Japanese sailor who recently finished a term in the county jail for smuggling liquor into the United States, has already sailed for his native country. Pending final deportation orders from Washington, upon recommendation of Bonham. Manayo voluntarily sailed on a vessel leaving two days ago, on which he could work his way without expense to this government. Deportation orders arrived this morning. Manayo's deportation was for his entering the United States without inspection required by immigration laws.

## Former Portland Man Accidentally Killed at Toledo

News was received here today of the accidental death of John H. Robertson at Toledo, Or., Tuesday. Robertson was a former resident of Portland but for several years had made his home in Toledo. He was a brother of the late Anne E. McClure, Captain W. H. Robinson, Millard Robertson and Mrs. Minnie Williams. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Katherine Robertson, son Sidney and daughters Martha and Mabel, sisters, Mrs. Carl Boeckman of Toledo, Mrs. Mary Royal of Seattle, and brother, Frank Robertson, Grangeville, Idaho. The body will be brought to Portland for interment. Funeral services in charge of the East Side Funeral directors, will be held at the grave in Lone Fir cemetery Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## Vote Fails to Elect Head of Labor Council

At the recent election of officers by the Central Labor council no candidate received a majority of the votes for president, and the office will be filled next Monday evening. W. E. Kinsey was re-elected for secretary-treasurer and J. E. Starr received a majority of the vote for vice president. The contesting candidates for the presidency of the council are: G. A. Von Schritts, D. E. Nickerson (present incumbent) and C. H. Copeland.

Portland Building Trades' Council has elected B. W. Steeman, president, Charles Schumann, vice president; T. G. Lowry, recording secretary; Ralph Willson, business agent.

owing to federal laws. When John Remac, bootlegger, pleaded guilty this morning the court wanted to let him go free after he learned Remac had spent 30 days in jail awaiting trial. Remac was tried on a similar charge in the municipal court involving the same facts and was freed. Under the federal prohibition law for second offenses the minimum penalty the court can impose is \$100. "I am of the opinion that this man has been punished sufficiently by being confined in jail for 30 days, but I'll have to impose a fine of \$100 since he has pleaded guilty," the court said, after Remac's attorney had argued for dismissal of the case.

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## O-C. LAND CASE SET FOR MAY 1

to one party. In 1903 the company is said to have withdrawn the lands from the market and refused to sell any more, after which the people of Oregon memorialized congress to take action to force sale of the lands.

Congress directed suits be brought to settle the matter.

A suit was brought against the railroad to forfeit the title to all unsold land. The company had sold about 780,000 acres out of about 4,000,000 acres, which is the approximate total of every other section between here and California. The railroad company did not get every other section as specified in the grant, as some of the land had been sold and others given away in other land grants. To indemnify the railroad the government allowed the railroad to go 30 miles back from its right of way in some places, instead of 20.

In addition to the suit brought against the railroad the government brought 46 suits against those who had purchased lands in violation of the agreement, but by act of congress in 1913 the purchasers were given the right to retain their property. These claims have all been settled and will not be disturbed again, Williams said.

## Recall Election on Mayor of Milwaukie Will Be Held Feb. 16

Milwaukie will go to the polls February 16 to decide whether it wants to elect Mayor Snyder or have a new mayor. Notice of the recall election was filed Tuesday by City Recorder Matthews. Guy C. Peiton, whom Snyder succeeded as mayor, is mentioned as a candidate to oppose Snyder.

Petitioners seeking to oust Snyder aver that he mismanaged civic affairs to Milwaukie's financial loss.

## Convict Slayer To Combat Charge Of Premeditation

Walla Walla, Wash., Feb. 1.—Objection to the accusation of Prosecuting Attorney Earl Benson that Joe Carlo, Spokane burglar serving sentence in the state penitentiary, who pleaded guilty to a charge of first degree murder, premeditated the killing of Jack Powers, a fellow prisoner, also from Spokane, by stabbing him to death in the tailor shop at the state penitentiary, was filed by the attorney for Carlo. The objection states that Carlo suffered a temporary mental aberration at the time of the killing, but that he has since recovered.

Twelve members of the venire called have been excused upon objection to capital punishment. Eighteen convict witnesses have been called in the case.

## Radio Expert Will Address Institute Of Electrical Men

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## Police Prowler Car Rider Takes Header; Found Unconscious

Seattle, Feb. 1. — (U. P.) — Falling headlong from a speeding police "prowler" car early this morning, Patrolman W. C. Batten struck his head upon the pavement and rolled 30 feet striking the curb. His companions, Patrolmen C. W. Bell and W. J. O'Brien, stopped the automobile and in the glare of the headlights found Batten lying at the edge of the road unconscious from a fractured skull. His condition is serious.

## Plumber Fined for Not Having Permit

Earl C. Perkins, 127 Front street, was fined \$25 this morning by Municipal Judge Rossmann on a charge of doing plumbing work without a permit. Perkins was arrested by E. H. McPherson, chief inspector for the water bureau, who testified that he had done plumbing work at 2065 Holladay avenue without a city permit. McPherson stated a campaign would be carried on against plumbers who are taking contracts without permits.

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## Doubt Man's Sanity For Stating He Has Ten Million in Bank

An ancient man stopped a surprised business man in front of the other street entrance to the courthouse this morning and held him "with his glittering eye." The ancient man stepped back a few feet, looked up at the marble edifice, then waved his arm about him.

"This belongs to me," he said. "All this is mine and I've come back to claim it. But they won't let me have it."

Again he turned his glittering eye on the man thoroughly staring at him.

"I have \$10,000,000 in the First National bank, but they won't let me draw it out. But they shan't foil me. I'll bomb this courthouse."

He reached his ancient head under his equally ancient coat tail and the business man fled precipitately. A moment later Deputy Sheriff Wilson emerged, took the old man under tow and escorted him to a ward in the county jail.

He gave his name to Bruce Cameron, special insane agent, as W. Chance. When Cameron heard the story of the \$10,000,000 he shook his head sadly and said:

"Chance Chance."

Chance is held for investigation.

**LOSTINE WINS AT DEBATE**  
Walla, Feb. 1.—In the opening district debates Monday night, Lostine won both at home and here by scores of 2 to 1, giving a point to his opponent, C. M. Luce, principal of Walla Walla high school, presided here.