

COLORED MAN CONFESSES HE KILLED WOMAN

Orange, N. J., Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—William Battle, Negro, this afternoon confessed assaulting and killing Mrs. Eleanor Brigham, mother of three, and then crowding her body in a closet in her home yesterday.

Battle's confession was made when he was confronted with the garments of the murdered woman. He probably will be arraigned tomorrow morning on a first degree murder charge.

Discovery of the murder came when Brigham, on his return from business, found his wife missing.

Battle was arrested after Margaret, the 7-year-old daughter of the Brighams, had identified him as a man who had been working about the home during the day.

Mrs. Brigham's body, horribly mutilated, evidently had been crammed hastily into the closet by the murderer before he fled. Her clothing was badly torn.

Brigham collapsed after he had found his wife's body and today was nearly wild with grief. He is a well known and prosperous business man.

Mrs. Brigham was a good looking woman, quiet and domestic, and a devoted mother to their three little children, who were asleep when their mother met her frightful fate.

The children were all confined to their rooms upstairs by themselves. They told their father that they had heard no sound.

The police say the evidence is that the woman was either attacked in her kitchen and dragged to the cellar, or was attacked suddenly by a concealed assailant in the cellar when she went there on some household errand.

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for him. After I left I heard he had associated with the lawless element. But I didn't know it when I used to meet and josh with him on the streets.

He laughs rather grimly when discussing Governor Parker.

"He seems strong on helping communities purge themselves of outlaws, but he was not in evidence when I was trying to clean up my own little city," declared McColin.

The doctor says he was one of the organizers of the Arkansas-Louisiana

Law Enforcement league, but explains it had nothing to do with the plan being formed to combat cattle and hog thieves who had burned a farmer in his bed. He has been a deacon in the Baptist church a shirmer and a member of several fraternal organizations.

Three Clackamas Boys Are Missing; Parents Worried

Oregon City, Dec. 28.—Parents of three Clackamas county boys who started Tuesday for Larch mountain for a snowshoe trip up the mountain are alarmed over the non-return of the boys. The boys, Alfred Rowan of Gladstone, Willard Bradley of West Linn and George Nelson of Jeannette Lodge, were to have returned Wednesday or telephoned to their parents at that time.

When they failed to return or report at a late hour Wednesday, A. H. Rowan, father of the Gladstone lad; Dave Catto and Elvin Catto, also of Gladstone, started for Multnomah falls, where the boys were to obtain snowshoes. They telephoned back early Thursday morning that no snowshoes had been mailed at Multnomah falls within a week and no trace had been seen of the boys at that place. The boys were to have gone by train to Multnomah falls, according to their plan.

Accused's Bail Is Raised and He Goes To Jail in Default

Somebody talked, and as a result James Martin, Astoria fire victim and alleged narcotic peddler, is in the Multnomah county jail.

Martin was arrested last September for peddling two hundred of cocaine. Two Astorians put up \$3000 bail for him to permit him to return to his second hand store.

The fire burned out M. Thral, one of the hostages, and Martin. Thral heard that Martin was going to collect his insurance and "beat it." Thral advised government officials that he had been burned out, was no longer competent as a bookman.

Martin, hearing of Thral's action, had a doctor's certificate prepared stating that he was in poor health and unable to be confined in jail. Federal agents were informed that Martin appeared to be in good health.

Martin Wednesday night was brought to Portland by Deputy United States Marshal C. C. Wells, bail was raised to \$3000 and Martin was committed to the county jail by Judge Bean in default.

Wells also brought up Jimmie Don Yee, a Chinese, charged with sale and possession of opium. Yee is in the county jail.

MINISTERS WILL KEEP CHECK ON SPIRITUAL NEED

Individual attention to the spiritual needs of every member of the Methodist Episcopal church in the Pacific Northwest is required of every Methodist pastor in the area in a motion passed this morning at the First Methodist church by Northwest district superintendents at the closing session of their annual conference with Bishop W. O. Shepard.

The presiding elders also called upon the pastors to especially sound the evangelistic note during the first three months of 1924. It was the consensus of opinion that each pastor should be the evangelist of his own congregation.

Attention of both clergy and laity was called in another motion to the unsightly condition of some parsonages and churches and a recommendation made that the week of March 25 be observed as cleanup week by Methodist churches of the Northwest. Where buildings need painting and repairs, it is recommended that the work be completed by that time.

Needs of the Sunday school also received an important part in the conference, it being determined that many adult members do not realize the importance of that branch of work. Ways of educating the church to an active support of the Bible school work were discussed, under the leadership of the Rev. M. J. Purdue of Spokane, Sunday school superintendent for the Columbia river conference. The Centenary work was presented by Dr. A. L. Howarth, area secretary; the Pacific Christian Advocate by Dr. Edward Laird Mills, editor; and Kimball School of Theology by Dr. E. C. Hickman.

A 10 per cent increase in membership was set as the 1924 goal in that line.

Following adjournment at noon the district superintendents were taken for a ride over the city. They will return to their homes tonight.

Trappers Fleeing Man-Eating Wolves; 3 Men Are Killed

(By United News.)
Fort Williams, Ont., Dec. 28.—Trappers and Indian guides are fleeing in terror from a man-eating wolf pack 70 miles north of Ignace.

A Canadian hunter and two Indian guides have been killed and devoured by the bloodthirsty pack since Christmas day.

Although warned of the pack's approach, they were outmaneuvered and trapped by the pack's leader. The leader is a monster wolf with dog markings and is the most vicious of the lupine pack, according to couriers who brought the news of the presence of the marauders here.

Dismiss Charges Against A. D. Barbur

A charge of disorderly conduct against A. D. Barbur, son of City Commissioner Barbur, was dismissed in municipal court today by Judge Ekwall. The charge was placed by Patrolman Shaylor early Sunday morning after a brief altercation. The trouble started when the policeman asked Barbur, who was accompanied by J. V. Cosgriff and Barbur's two sisters, to move from in front of the Liberty Bell restaurant, No. 143 second street, where they were waiting for a streetcar.

The hearing was held in the judge's private chambers and was attended by Commissioner Barbur.

DEMAND \$1256 ROYALTIES
Suit to collect \$1,256.48 in payment of royalties was filed against Onkar Huber and the United States Fidelity & Guaranty company of Baltimore, Md., in the federal court this morning by Warren Brothers, paving contractors. According to the complaint

Huber has neglected to pay royalties on pavement laid in Benton county between Corvallis and the Polk county line, about February, 1921. Huber laid the pavement for the state highway commission. The guaranty company is made a defendant because it went into Huber's bond.

Row Starting in Church Leads to Fine for Valet

William Turner, valet to E. D. King, superintendent of the Southern Pacific railway, was fined \$15 in municipal court today on a charge of disorderly conduct. The trouble included a series of three battles between him and Meric Heston, pastor of the First African Methodist church, at Larrabee and McMillan streets. Matthews said Turner's "order" was bad at the Christmas morning services and he asked him to be quiet. One fight followed and another was narrowly averted. Matthews produced a long scar on the side of his head as evidence and the wound was largely responsible for the fight.

CHARLES B. GARRISON
Prineville, Dec. 28.—Charles Benedict Garrison, 74, son of a pioneer Wisconsin lumberman, died here Friday. Mr. Garrison formerly lived in Portland. His wife and two sons, Paul C. Garrison, representative of the Rogers Lumber company of Minneapolis here, and Frank O. Garrison of Seattle, survive. Mr. Garrison was a Mason for 24 years. His body was taken to Portland for cremation.

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9x12 seamless printed tapestry Brussels rugs at.....	\$14.85	\$89.00 genuine leather Kroehler bed davenport at.....	\$61.50
\$350.00 3-pc. period suite in ivory enamel bed, dresser and chifferette for.....	\$175.00	\$59.50 walnut or mahogany period suite dressers at.....	\$36.75
Up to \$11.00 odd chamber chairs in walnut, ivory or oak at.....	\$4.85	\$200.00 3-pc. chamber suite in two tone walnut for.....	\$117.50
\$48.50 period dining tables in American walnut for.....	\$24.75	\$11.00 Queen Anne leather seat dining chairs finished in Amer. walnut	\$5.90
\$36.50 to \$41.00 mahogany upholstered rockers, choice of 6 patterns, at.....	\$21.50	\$230.00 Karpen overstuffed mohair davenport for.....	\$159.00
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