

NEW EVIDENCE IS UNCOVERED

Damaging Admissions Made By Burch Relative To Kennedy Killing

AUTOMOBILE IS FOUND

Woman in Case Highly Nervous and is Unable to Make Statement

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 8.—Admissions made by Arthur C. Burch, returned here today in custody in connection with the slaying last Friday of J. Belton Kennedy, led today to the discovery of a rented roadster equipped with tires of a peculiar tread, which tires made an impression that fitted the marks left in a lane last Friday night by a car supposed to have been driven by the slayer.

Burch and Madelynne Obenchain, the young woman held as a material witness, were returned to their cells in the county jail today after they had separately faced interviewers from the district attorney's office and after each had, according to the interviewers, made statements that did not correspond with those of the other.

New Evidence Found.
Today, aided by guarded statements from Burch, officers uncovered evidence tending to indicate Burch rented a car that night. Burch, officers said, declined to say where he had driven.

Officers found that a man giving the name of "Jones" and the address of an uncle of Burch, here, had rented an automobile from an agency here on the night of the killing.

Marks of the tires were found in this road and elsewhere. Today officers drove the roadster that had been taken by "Jones" to the scene of the shooting and compared the tires with the impressions there. They corresponded. The tire design was unusual, the officers said.

Cousins, Was Claim.
Mrs. Obenchain had denied, according to the officers, that she had ever visited Burch's room across the street from Kennedy's office. A photograph of the woman was shown the hotel proprietor shortly after her detention, and he said she was not the visitor.

Today, after seeing her in person at the jail, he changed his statement and positively identified as the woman who had frequently visited Burch's room and whose calls had been explained by the statement that she was a "cousin."

Gun Not Found.
The officers were engaged tonight in trying to trace the shotgun with which Kennedy was killed, but a thorough search of the vicinity failed to bring it to light and they believed that it had either been rented and returned to the owners, or else it was placed in pawn after the shooting.

Mrs. Obenchain was not permitted to see visitors today. She was reported to be too nervous to meet them. Burch, on the contrary, appeared collected and self-contained.

TRUNK RAISED HAS WOMAN'S REMAINS

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said to have obtained title to some of his wife's property.

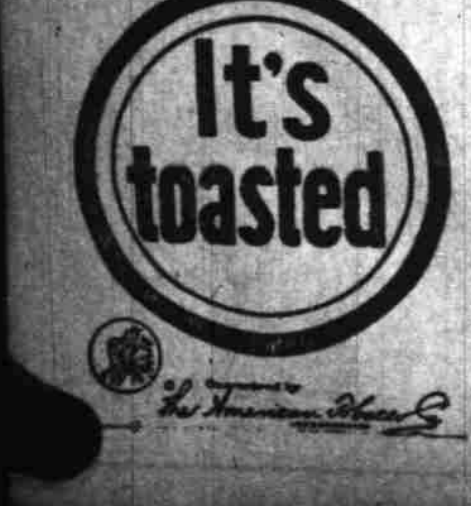
Bugs Covers Body.
Mahoney and his bride were reported to have gone east on their wedding trip shortly before the woman was listed as missing. St. Paul was said to have been the last city they visited before the police began to broadcast the disappearance of Mrs. Mahoney.

Soon after Mahoney's arrest here, the police announced they had evidence indicating that Mrs. Mahoney's body was in Lake Union, and since they have continued the search in Union Bay, where the trunk was found today by the tug Audrey, is an arm of Lake Union.

When the trunk was hauled aboard the tug it was found to contain three rugs. Beneath them was the body of a woman.

Mahoney Refuses to Talk.
Mahoney, questioned this evening in his cell at the county jail,

LUCKY STRIKE cigarette



WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS TENOR IN FOUR OF THE OPERATIC CHARACTERS HE LIKED BEST TO SING.



At the left Caruso is seen in the role of Canio, the crown, in "Pagliacci." Then comes the great tenor in a part entirely different, that of Cavaradossi in "Tosca." The third photograph shows him as the Duke of Mantua in the grim opera "Rigoletto," a role he always greatly enjoyed singing, and at the right is seen as Don Jose, the dashing soldier and lover in "Carmen."

refused to discuss the discovery of the body.

"I have nothing to say," he repeated, in response to every query.

Captain Tennant and Prosecuting Attorney Malcolm Douglas, after a conference, decided not to show the body to Mahoney.

The body was taken to the county morgue pending further action by the authorities. The coroner said the stomach would be removed and taken to the University of Washington for analysis.

Reward Offered.
The county commissioners had offered a reward of \$1,000 for the return of Mrs. Mahoney, dead or alive. Relatives of the missing woman had posted an additional \$500.

From the time of his arrest, Mahoney steadfastly had declared he knew nothing of his wife's disappearance. He had insisted that the police were "wasting their time in dragging Lake Union," and had predicted that Mrs. Mahoney would return in good health.

Mahoney's age is 38. He and Mrs. Kate Moore, the missing woman, were married February 10, 1915, in Seattle.

Another Woman Involved.
On one of the forged information again Mahoney the prosecutor indorsed as a witness Emil J. Brandt, a notary public, who made affidavit that a woman calling herself Mrs. Mahoney came to his office here April 16 and signed a power of attorney giving Mahoney authority to administer all her property. Later, deposed Mr. Brandt, he learned from photographs that the woman was not Mrs. Mahoney.

It was shortly after this that the police of various cities began to look for Mrs. Mahoney. Mahoney was arrested here May 3. None of the forged charges against him, have been tried.

DEATH LIST IS SMALLER

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went to the office to tell of the fate of their fellow passengers.

Despair Becomes Joy
One San Francisco, R. G. White, was among the inquiring relatives. All day yesterday and last night he waited in vain for word from his wife and their 2-year-old boy Fred, who were en route here on the Alaska from Portland. Today he talked to the arriving survivors and learned that the last seen of the mother and child was as they were sinking. Grief-stricken, he returned to his apartment there to find a telegram from the Eureka Elks' club stating the mother and child were picked up last night and were safe at the club. White rushed back to the steamship office to tell the glad news.

Grandfather Anxiously Awaits
Other stories with endings which may not be so heavy were told today by the office officials. Throughout the day, the father of W. H. Dyer of LaGrande, Ore., waited for word regarding his twin grandchildren and their mother. The family, consisting of W. H. Dyer, his wife and three children were on the Alaska en route here for a visit. A telegram from Dyer said he and one child were saved but failed to mention the mother and twins, and the company lists did not have them among the survivors.

Known Dead Listed.
The list of known dead in the wreck of the steamer Alaska, as revised at 7 o'clock tonight by the steamer's owners here, follows:

- Passengers: Thomas Johnston, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- J. C. Jackson, Oakland, Cal.
- "Ted" Ellsworth Pickell, Hubbard.
- A. M. Hutchinson, San Francisco.
- M. Larsen, engineer, Portland.
- Baldwin, bell boy, Oakland, Cal.
- Unidentified: One woman, age about 6 years old. Walter, name unknown. Seaman, known as "The Janitor."
- Definite List Declined. Owners of the steamer Alaska declined tonight to issue a definite list of persons missing as a result of the ship's wreck, pending further advice, but the following 26 names, taken from a list of passengers given out by the ship's owners, do not appear in any list of identified dead or known survivors: Bushwell, George W., Portland. Berch, Carl, San Francisco. Comm, H. W., Portland. Fitzgerald, George, Portland. Fitzgerald, Joan, Portland. Furgold, E., San Francisco. Gusten, Miss Ruth, Portland. Johnson, W. L., and wife, of Portland. Kan, Minnie, Walla Walla. Maples, Francis, Portland. Northrup, Mrs. A. Oliver, J. H. Sags, W. A. Steele, H., Portland. Maxwell, Mrs. G. J., Portland. Vike, Miss B., Portland. White, Fred. Wentrum, Amanda.
- Steerage Passengers. Otten, C. H., Portland. Forrest, C. S., Portland. Dougherty, B. J., Portland. Nelson, John. Maxmison, Charles. Erickson, W. H. Four members of the crew are not accounted for.
- Full Speed Admitted. EUREKA, Cal., Aug. 6.—First admission by an officer that the steamer Alaska was proceeding under full speed despite the heavy fog, when she crashed on Blunt's reef Saturday night was made today by H. A. Carlson, third assistant engineer. Carlson said he was on duty when the ship struck.
- The 18th body, that of a man, unidentified from the sunken vessel, was found today under the lighthouse at Cape Mendocino.
- Late today an inquest over the body of Charles Heane, chief steward, was held. The jury found Heane came to his death "through drowning as a result of the wreck of the steamer Alaska." The findings of the jury, it was said, would apply to all the dead.
- Witness Is Severe. George Goodall, a passenger of Spokane, in his testimony before the coroner's jury, was particularly severe in criticism of the Alaska's crew. Goodall said members of the crew made effort to get the passengers off the ship but they became demoralized when it came to handling the lifeboats. He declared the lifeboats were not in proper condition.
- Other testimony was given by F. C. Morgan, purser; W. E. McIntock, first officer; J. J. Michaelson, radio operator; and Miss Mabel Langberg of St. Paul, Minn., and Waltham Bass of Oakland, passengers. Michaelson said he was on duty but because of his activity did not note how wrappidy the ship was traveling when she struck.
- Captain Dies on Bridge. The inquest developed the theory Captain Harry Hobery had died on his bridge. It was said he had been crushed when the smokestacks collapsed or died following collapse of the deck.
- Fishing boats cruised through the day from Eureka to Blunt's reef, searching for bodies. On shore other persons ranged the 40 miles of beach on the same quest.

George, Murphy and Johnson Now Bat at Imaginary Mosquitos Out of Force of Habit; Can't Help It

If anybody sees anybody else slapping viciously at a mosquito that isn't there on a curiously mottled, swollen face; or rubbing his hands, as if he were washing them or brushing something off that one knows isn't there, it is a safe guess that he has found one of the campers from the Breitenbush lake country where the fierce wild mosquitoes are.

They got the habit and the mosquito has gotten into his blood so that he can't help it.

Lee George, Larry Murphy, Sergeant Johnson of the police force, and Commodore Thrapp, returned yesterday from a sojourn in the lake Breitenbush country. They got out to Detroit Saturday, to tell Ralph White of their exploits and to doctor up at the springs from their harrowing experiences with the bloodsuckers of the upper country.

"Say, feller," they are reported to have said in one fierce bloodless voice, "You never see mosquitoes until you see 'em up at the lakes this year. You can reach out and catch mosquitoes by the handful, and then your hand would simply glow through waves of skeeters like you were swimming or playing in the sand. You've heard these here stories about the fly that in one season will raise seven billion accursed descendants, and about the codfish that lays five million eggs? Well, these mosquitoes have the fly and the codfish gasping for breath before they get fairly started. There isn't enough room there to hold all the mosquitoes that are raised in that section; they have to hire more land for them to live on. If the locusts that plagued the Egyptians were a tenth as bad, it is no wonder that those same old Egyptians are dead and mummified and buried in the heart of a 400-foot pyramid of stone—they were trying to get away from those confounded insects. You can see we can't help it." And they rub and fan the air and say harsh words that seemed to be directed against the whole mosquito family.

The fishermen, however, report some wonderful fishing. However, they didn't really fish as much as they say. The lakes are alive with trout, come up to spawn. The larger fish take the prize places, and swim lowest, down to the sandy bottom; where their eggs are laid; the small ones swarm above, waiting for their turn on the next. Many of the fish, after spawning, drift off over the falls, and are killed; but there are millions left.

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SNRECKLES IS KILLED

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arrested in Redwood City charged with having headlights brighter than the California laws permitted. He created some newspaper stir by refusing to hire a lawyer and pleading his own case. As a lawyer he lost and spent several days in jail.

Many speed officers made his acquaintance officially.

Young Spreckles in May, 1915, narrowly escaped death when his machine struck another head-on at a street intersection while both were traveling at high speed.

Victim Twice Married.
Spreckles had been married twice. The first Mrs. Spreckles was granted a divorce and recently married Frank Wakefield, a millionaire of New York. Before her marriage to Spreckles she was Miss Edith Huntington.

Spreckles' second wife, formerly Miss Sadie Wirt, an entertainer, filed suit for divorce in March last. This case was pending when he was killed. It was said Miss Wirt had changed his first name from Sadie to "Sidi" and later to Sydi, and both times considerable publicity attended the changes. Both wives had accused young Spreckles of cruelty.

Army Officer Accused.
Early this year the Spreckles came prominently into print when a suit against William Barrett, former army officer, accused Barrett with having stolen a pearl necklace valued at \$100,000 from Mrs. Spreckles. Barrett claimed the jewels were given him by Mrs. Spreckles to pawn. This episode was said to have taken place in London.

Following filing of her suit for divorce Sadie Wirt Spreckles returned to the stage as a dancer. She was reported as saying: "Society needed a lot of reforming."

Business Man—I attribute my success to the fact that I was always first at the office. For 17 years I caught the 6:15 into town. Interviewer—Ah, I see, it's all due to early training.—Boston Transcript.

"I'm sorry that my engagements prevent my attending your charity concert, but I shall be with you in spirit."

"Splendid! And where would you like your spirit to sit? I have tickets for half a dollar, a dollar and two dollars."—The Drexler.

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Utility Service Higher.
However, on the laborer's side of the question is the fact that living costs so much more in the many details of life. These include telephones, electric light and gas on meters instead of flat rate and water on meter service, which often figures higher than a flat rate.

Taxes Skyrocketed
Taxes are also higher. On the assessment of 1920, which is to be paid this year, the rate is \$48.60 on every \$1000 assessed. One year ago it was \$37.10. That is, for every \$1000 of valuation on the assessors books, there will be paid \$11.50 more in taxes this year than last, and \$17.40 more than two years ago.

CONCERT TONIGHT WILL END SERIES

All Numbers Will Be Upon Request, Director Steelhammer Announces

The final band concert of the season will be given tonight at 8 o'clock in Willson park. The program will be somewhat different from those usually offered from the fact that every number will be upon request. This guarantees to some extent, a popular evening for music lovers.

Oscar A. Steelhammer, director, announces that one or two numbers could not be given which were requested, on account of not having a full score for all instruments.

The program will be as follows:
1. Caesar's Triumphal March, Mitchell.
2. Selection, Amorita, Laurendeau.
3. Grand national Overture (medley), Losey.
4. Popular Numbers.
5. Vocal Solo, Mrs. W. H. Prunk.
6. Selection, Faust, Gonnod.
7. Dance of the Sparrows, Richmond.
8. Overture, Princess of India, King.
9. March, Stars and Stripes Forever, Sousa.
10. Star Spangled Banner.

WILLAMETTE STANDS WELL AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY

For the young man who wishes to become a real graduate of Harvard university, it isn't necessary to spend four years in that seat of learning at Cambridge, Mass. For Harvard university recognizes the fact that Willamette university stands as high as any other institution of learning in the country, and its university

LIVING COSTS CHANGING

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is 60 per cent cheaper than one and one-half years ago, while hardware specialties for building are no cheaper. Cement is also holding its own and is no lower.

On the question of rents, the consensus of opinion is that in Salem today they are 33 1-3 higher than January 1, 1920. The landlord who owns his home is fortunate while the cliff dweller is in hard luck.

Taking up the question of labor, from the best of information available in Salem, labor is about 8 per cent lower than a year and a half ago.

Comparison Made
This is based on the following figures on day wages which are as near right as could be had from good authorities, and may considered an average:

18 Months Ago	Today
Common labor	\$4.00
Building labor	4.40
Carpenters	5.50
Painters	8.00
Electrical workers	7.00
Brick masons	10.00
Plumbers	10.00
Numbers	7.50
Insert in a recent article	7.50

Automobile mechanics who were paid 80 cents an hour a year and

Large Audience Attends Union Religious Service

For all that it was the hottest day of the year, a large number of people attended the union religious services at Willson park, Sunday afternoon.

C. A. Kells of the Y. M. C. A. was chairman. The orchestra from the Christian church played for 15 minutes as a prelude to the preaching services. Besides the congregational singing, the other music of the day was furnished by the quartet from the Christian church, two very delightful numbers being presented.

The sermon by Dr. E. C. Hickman of Kimball School of Theology was a powerful presentation of the need of taking the divine

BOOK READERS ARE GROWING

Salem Library Shows 42 Percent Increase in Five-months Period

STATISTICS PRESENTED

Children as Well as Adults Are Constant Patrons Of Book Shelves

During the first five months of this year, the circulation of the Salem Public Library showed an increase of 42 per cent over that of the largest previous circulation for the same time, according to Miss Flora M. Case, librarian. All of which causes Miss Case to believe that people are more and more appreciating the value of the city's library.

"Main Street" Popular
During the summer months when reading is more on the lighter line, the big call has been for "Main Street," Miss Case says. Although the library has several copies of this best seller, there are always a number of applications filed. As sort of an antidote for "Main Street," Miss Case suggests the reading of "The Brimming Cup."

Those who have a literary inclination or who need special books or pamphlets, may have the choice of 16,904 books or pamphlets from the Salem Public Library, according to the July report submitted to the directors of the library at the monthly meeting last night.

Gifts Add to List
The report shows that the library is gradually increasing its number of books, as the report for June shows the total number to be 16,761. This increase is from purchases as well as gifts. For July, the report but as Miss Case shows that the purchases were 95, while the gifts were 35.

Readers in June called for 2737 books of fiction, that is, called for by adult readers. For July the adults used 2674 volumes of fiction. The report but as Miss Case shows that the purchases were 95, while the gifts were 35.

Children are great users of the Salem Public library, according to reports of Miss Case. During June 1234 readers of 2524 books, and 63 periodicals, while for July the call from children was for 1,313, indicating that during the real summer month of July the children were not so strong on reading.

On the records for the month of June there are listed as borrowing from the library, 5,652 names. During June 123 names were added and during July the new borrowers numbered 78.

SALEM MAN ESCAPES DEATH

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Weak from loss of blood from a severe chin cut and other injuries, Hart heard searchers making frantic efforts to find him but was unable to attract attention.

The accident was first noted at 11:45 p. m. when a car driven by A. Bedwell of Portland struck the wrecked machine in the deep valley near the road. Not having flashlights they returned to Salem and secured aid from the Salem police department.

People living near the scene of the accident also joined the searching party but as no trace of the occupants of the car could be found, the search was abandoned at 1:30.

At 3:30 o'clock, H. F. Himes, of the Statesman force secured Officer Branson and Will Carver, who had been out on the machine in the deep valley near the road. Not having flashlights they returned to Salem and secured aid from the Salem police department.

The machine had been on the spot but a few moments when Hart succeeded in attracting their attention. He had gained strength sufficient to walk near the road where his voice could be heard. Hart received medical attention at his home, 349 North Liberty street. Dr. C. E. Casbatt stating that the extent of possible internal injuries could not be fully ascertained until later.

"I was going at about 15 miles an hour when my machine caught the loose gravel at the side of the road," states Hart. Autoists who viewed the wrecked machine asserted that it would have cleared the creek had Hart been traveling at a high rate of speed.

RALPH WHITE AND PARTY ARE HOME

Pleasant Camping Experience at Breitenbush Springs Related

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White returned Sunday from a two weeks sojourn at Breitenbush springs. They left here intending to go on to Jefferson park, but finally gave up the strenuous foot journey beyond Breitenbush and camped quietly at the springs, taking it easy for a long, luxurious vacation.

Jefferson park, which used to be known as Hanging valley, still has much snow. There is said to be 14 feet of snow in parts of the park, and it's rather too much like an Arctic expedition to go there with summer clothes and traditions. Mr. White visited there two years ago, when the snow was almost gone, and found it a wonderful garden and palace of beauty.

It is reported that fishermen going out from Breitenbush to the lakes on up the mountains have made wonderful catches of trout—all that they cared to take, in a few minutes' fishing.

A thunderstorm swooped down on the White party at Detroit the day they got in, and then let up just in time for their hike to the springs. Another storm, the only one in the two weeks, came Sunday morning just as they were leaving. No serious fires were reported from either of these electrical storms, but many such fires do come from the heavens. Mr. White saw four lightning fires started by one storm two years ago.

Fully 150 people are camping in and around the springs, largely from Portland, Salem and Silverton.

AND HE IS Baling Paper

This newspaper has been invited to send a reporter to cover Prof. Einstein's lectures at Princeton.

We beg to state we are too busy looking after the news in this ballwick to attend to cosmological hypotheses. We have only one man on our payroll who could even understand "Gentleman and Ladies" as uttered in the Professor's pure German. He is a college man, to be sure, but he is busy running the baling machine down in the basement.—Obesity (N. J.) Clarion.