

## POLK COUNTY TO HAVE PARKS

### INN KEEPER IS MURDERED BY OUTLAW GANG

Body of George Erhart Is Found Sprawled on Floor of His Resort on Yakima Indian Reservation.

### EVIDENCE POINTS TO DETERMINED BATTLE

White Swan Drug Store Broken Into, Apparently by Same Desperadoes

YAKIMA, Wash., March 27.—The body of George Erhart, slain last night in a battle with unidentified robbers, was found this morning sprawled on the floor of the "Country Club," a place conducted by him west of the town of White Swan in the Yakima Indian reservation.

The room indicated that Erhart had put up a desperate fight.

### Guns Found in House

A 45-calibre automatic pistol lay on the floor near the body. A rifle shell was found outside the window and window and doors were shattered by rifle fire. Erhart's shotgun was found about eight rods from the building with four shells in it.

The slayer or slayers had turned their victims' pockets out in search for money and the building had been ransacked. They had placed a towel over Erhart's face.

### Indian Finds Body

Erhart, a white man, had operated the place for some time. Harvey Sinus, Indian, reported the crime to Thomas Whalen, deputy sheriff at White Swan.

The White Swan Drug store, operated by C. E. McCloud was broken into and robbed last night. Officers of the sheriff's office expressed the belief today that the job was done by the same party slaying Erhart.

### HUMAN FOOT IS DOG'S CLEW TO DEATH MYSTERY

YAKIMA, Wash., March 27.—A small dog belonging to N. E. Lamson of this city horrified Mrs. Lamson Sunday afternoon by bringing to the home a human foot, supposedly that of a woman, judging from its size and shape.

Mr. Lamson immediately took it to the police station where it is held as a mystery relic.

It is declared to have been dead only a few months.

Various theories have been given, including one that it had been dredged from the river by Mr. Lamson in a large quantity of sand.

### NAME CHANGE IN COMMITTEE HANDS

West Salem Water Board Reorganized and Extension of Service Planned

The question of a change of name for West Salem has been handed to a special committee of West Salem councilmen, by action of the council at West Salem last night.

The committee will ponder upon the merits of a petition recently circulated in West Salem for the adoption of the name "Kingwood," in lieu of the city's present label. Members of the committee are Alderman E. R. Miller, E. R. Woods and Joseph T. Hunt. Mayor J. R. Bedford has requested the committee to report its recommendations at the regular council session, Monday, April 3.

At last night's session, the water board of West Salem was reorganized and plans for immediate extension of the municipal water service adopted. Members of the board are Mayor Bedford, W. T. Lewis and Charles Ruge.

**THE WEATHER**  
Rain; strong southeasterly gales.

### 2 SITES ACQUIRED BY HIGHWAY BOARD FOR TOURIST USE

A policy of establishing camping parks for automobile tourists in convenient and scenic parts of the state has been started by the state highway department with the acquiring of two attractive parks in Polk county, one by purchase and the other by donation.

One of the Polk county parks has long been known as the Kola Springs camping site. It has been sold to the state by Thomas Holman for \$1000, far less than its value, on condition that it be known as Holman park.

This place is familiar throughout the Willamette valley. It is on the Salem-Dallas road about three miles from the west end of the Marion-Polk county bridge, and it is here that a watering trough and spring for public convenience have stood for years. The park, a strip about 300 feet wide, and 500 feet long, about nine acres in area, lies on the north side of the highway. It is a pleasant spot with a clear view of the Willamette river.

The other park already acquired is on the Luckiamute river on the West Side Pacific highway, at the crossing over the Luckiamute about five miles south of Monmouth. It is donated to the state by Mrs. Sarah Helmick and will be known as Sarah Helmick park. Mrs. Helmick is past 90 years old.

It is said that donations of other camping parks to the state are in early prospect.

### ODD FELLOWS TO VISIT AUMSVILLE

Annual Meeting of Marion County Association to Be Held April 8

Delegates from Odd Fellow lodges of Marion county met at Aumsville Saturday and perfected plans for the annual meeting of the Marion County Odd Fellows association to be held at Aumsville on the afternoon and evening of April 8.

Grandmasters from Marion county lodges will be in attendance as well as officers and members. Among the speakers on the program are C. M. Biggs, of Prineville, Judge George H. Burnett, J. H. Mills, of Salem; Dr. Andrew Johnson, Portland; J. L. Adams, of Silverton, and T. W. Johnson of Aumsville.

A large class of candidates for first degree initiation will be shown the mysteries of this degree by the prize winning team of Chemeketa lodge No. 1, Salem. Questions pertaining to Odd Fellow law, the Odd Fellows home at Portland and other items of interest will be considered.

Officers of the county association are R. G. Henderson of Chemawa, secretary and L. C. McShane of Hubbard, chairman. G. C. Patterson, of Salem, and C. W. Hewitt, Donald Riches and Warren Riches of Turner were among those attending Saturday's conference at Aumsville.

### Volk Files Candidacy; Morris is Asked to Run

Gerald Volk, of 1499 Court street, yesterday filed his declaration and petition for nomination as a candidate for alderman from the second ward.

Mr. Volk served a prior term as alderman. He will be in the race to replace Dr. F. L. Utter, who recently announced himself as a candidate for mayor.

Friends of Dr. Henry E. Morris, asserted yesterday that the Salem politician is being urged to become a candidate for councilman from the second ward. Dr. Morris would not commit himself yesterday.

### Poison Administered in Place of Epsom Salts

PORTLAND, Or., March 27.—George Miller, colored, chef on the steamer Edward Luckenbach, died from the effects of poison administered through mistake here yesterday, according to findings made by the coroner late today. Miller was taken ill, according to evidence adduced by the coroner and asked the steward for epsom salts. By mistake the steward got a box of poison resembling salts and administered a dose to Miller, who died shortly afterwards.

### ARBUCKLE ROOMS SEEN BY COURT

Trial Adjourned While Visitation is Made to Scene of Famous Party

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—The scene of the party Roscoe Arbuckle gave last September, at which it is charged he inflicted fatal injury on Miss Virginia Rappe, was inspected today by the judge, jury and attorneys participating in his third trial on a charge of manslaughter arising from the girl's death.

The bitterest argument of the trial and the applying of an epithet by the prosecution to the defense aroused the displeasure of superior Court Judge Harold Louderbeck during the examination of Jesse Norgaard, former night watchman of a motion picture studio at Culver City.

The word "syster" was used by counsel in referring to the defense and there was a warm reply. Thereupon the court declared the conduct of the attorneys constituted an attempt to obstruct the orderly progress of the trial and any further such outbreak will be treated accordingly. He added that the names and terms bordered closely on contempt of court.

Norgaard testified that while he was employed at the studio that Arbuckle had asked him for the keys of Miss Rappe's room, saying that he wanted to play a joke on her. He had refused the request, he said. He was cross-examined by the defense with reference to a term at the county farm to which he had been sentenced in San Diego. He admitted pleading guilty to selling liquor to soldiers, but said that he had done so through a misapprehension and had left the county farm five days afterwards. Subsequently, he had communicated with the sheriff and had not returned until after testifying in the earlier Arbuckle trial.

### Goulet Again Candidate for County Commissioner

That he will be a candidate for reelection as commissioner of Marion county was announced yesterday by W. H. Goulet, of Woodburn, who has served for 12 years as county commissioner, representing the north Marion district.

Other members of the county court are Judge W. M. Bushey of Salem and Commissioner J. T. Hunt, of Sublimity and Salem. Their terms of office extend until January 1, 1925.

### ARBITRATION FAVORED

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, March 27.—Compulsory arbitration of labor disputes is provided in a bill adopted today by the lagting. The measure is in the same form as when it passed the odelsling and it therefore becomes a law.

### MINER DEMAND UNDER PERUSAL OF COMMITTEE

Importation of Coal from Europe May Be Stopped By Seamen to Help Win American Strike.

### BIG WAGE INCREASE IS INSISTED UPON

Shortage in Four Months is Probable if Walk-out Occurs as Slated

NEW YORK, March 27.—The anthracite miners' and operators' sub-committee on wage contract negotiations today abandoned general discussion of the industry and got down to the 19 demands of the workers.

Negotiations of the day were restricted to the second part of demand No. 1 relating to the establishment of a scale for operators of mechanical loaders, and demand No. 3, which says: "In conformity with the thought expressed in the award of the United States anthracite coal commission, we demand that a uniform wage schedule be established so that the various occupations of like character at the several collieries shall command the same wages."

### Statistics Presented

The miners restricted the discussion to presentation of a vast array of statistics as evidence to support their demands. James Gorman, secretary of the board and a non-voting member of the secret conference, announced at the close of the session that "the miners will continue presentation of their case tomorrow."

The chief demands of the miners and the crux of the anthracite situation—the demand for a 20 per cent increase in wages throughout the industry and a raise of \$1 per shift for day laborers—will be broached before the committee late tomorrow or Wednesday, union members of the committee announced.

Operators refused to comment on the present status of the negotiations, except to agree with the miners that negotiation of a new contract in time to halt suspension of work in the anthracite mines April 1 is not in sight.

**Labor Faction Prepared**  
"The data for a complete presentation of our case is in our hands," said Thomas J. Kennedy, labor member of the committee. "We are now ready to put it up to the mine operators."

Ten thousand members of the international seamen's union in the port of New York are awaiting the return of their president, Andrew Furuseth, from Washington tomorrow, to decide whether they will interfere with the proposed importation of British mined soft coal to help break the strike of the bituminous miners, also set for April 1.

Coincidental with the seamen's preparation for action, John H. Ryan, vice president of the International Longshoremen's association, asserted today that its 75,000 members intended to "render every possible assistance to the United Mine Workers."

### Special May Be Called

Although the next district conference of the longshoremen's organization is not scheduled until April 9, Mr. Ryan declared a special conference would be held, if developments warranted, to formulate a program of aid for the 400,000 bituminous men ordered by their union leaders to halt work Friday midnight.

According to officials of the seamen's union, Mr. Furuseth conferred at Washington today with government officials and chiefs of the American Federation of Labor, relative to reports that the government considered importation of British coal in the event a protracted strike threatened the nation's fuel supply. In these reports, which Mr. Furuseth is investigating, it was said the administration would permit shipping vessels to haul coal from Great Britain as ballast. It has been suggested that a preferential freight rate might be fixed which would permit importation of the foreign-mined product at a

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### PICTURE OF TEX RICKARD FIRST DAY HE WAS IN COURT



George L. "Tex" Rickard, famous sports promoter, held on charges preferred by representatives of the Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Children, photographed in court on the first day of his trial. Rickard is being held in the Tombs in New York city, where he will remain until the jury finds a verdict. The charges against Rickard are of a serious nature and involve four young girls, 11 to 15 years old.

### TEX RICKARD AVERS HE IS INNOCENT OF ASSAULTING GIRLS

NEW YORK, March 27.—Tex Rickard denied today before the supreme court jury trying him on a charge of having assaulted 15-year-old Sarah Schoenfeld that he ever had misconducted himself with her.

The stories told about him by Sarah and her 12-year-old chum, Nellie Gasko, the sports promoter contradicted almost in their entirety.

During a long cross-examination that is to be resumed tomorrow, Rickard also swore he never had improper relations with women of Alaska or Nevada during the gold rushes in those sections.

**Never Happened, Says Rickard**  
"It never happened," he said, when Assistant District Attorney Pecora asked if he hadn't lived with a woman at Nome and then abandoned her. He made the same answer when asked if he had not tried to induce a 15-year-old blond girl, a cigar store clerk, to go to a room with him at Rawhide, Nevada, 15 years ago.

**Girl Seen at Pool**  
Rickard admitted having seen Alice Ruck, Anna Hess and Nellie Gasko, complainants against him in three pending indictments, around the garden swimming pool last summer. He said he had talked to and knew hundreds of the little girls who swam in the pool.

He might have given them money to buy lunches, he asserted, but denied ever having presented to Sarah and Nellie the sums of \$10 to \$25 which they said the promoter gave them on several occasions.

**Personal History Told**  
The promoter testified that he and Mrs. Rickard were married in Seattle in 1902. He first went to Alaska in 1896, he said, and had divided his time there for several years between prospecting, mining and operating saloons and gambling houses in the Klondike at Dawson City and Nome.

**Recalled Having Seen the Schoenfeld Girl**  
Four times, each occasion, he said, in connection with her mother's efforts to get Rickard's aid in trying to have her son released from a Wisconsin jail.

**He Denied That a 14-year-old girl in Ely, Nev., had once been wronged by him and that the girl was sent to a hospital when about to become a mother, her own mother had committed suicide.**

**"I never heard of any woman committing suicide over me," Rickard replied.**

**ACCIDENTS DECREASED BY ACTIVITY OF TRAFFIC MEN**

Fine totaling \$235, imposed upon motorists who pleaded guilty to major violations of city and state traffic codes; the arrest of 43 violators of traffic laws; marked decrease in the number of accidents.

This, in brief, is a summary of the result obtained by the placing of two active officers on traffic work. Officers Rollan Parrent and Irwin Abbott were recently put on duty by Chief Moffitt and during that time Salem motorists who ignore traffic codes have received an unpleasant surprise.

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### PROCEDURE IN 4-POWER ROW IS UNTANGLED

Two Supplementary Agreements Are Joined and Ratified by Unanimous Vote.

### DOMESTIC ISSUES ARE NOT FOR CONFERENCE

Attempts to Attach Other Reservations Killed by Usual Lineup

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The senate finally untangled its parliamentary difficulties over the four-power treaty supplements today by joining the two supplementary agreements and then ratifying them by unanimous vote.

One of the supplements, itself in the form of a treaty, defines the geographical scope of the four-power pact so as not to include the Japanese home land. The other, attached to the first by today's action in the form of a "reservation," stipulates that issues which are purely of a domestic character cannot be brought before the four-power "conference."

### Lineup Still Holds

The vote on the double-barreled ratification resolution was 73 to 0, opponents of the four-power plans joining in giving approval to the supplements because they interpreted the two agreements as limiting and curtailing the operation of the principal treaty. Several attempts to attach other reservations which had failed when the four-power treaty itself was under consideration, were defeated by the usual pro-treaty and anti-treaty lineup.

As soon as the vote had been completed, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the Republican leader, called up the naval limitation treaty, establishing a five-fifths-three capital ship ratio for the United States, Great Britain and Japan. Debate on it is to begin tomorrow and the administration managers expect to see it ratified by an almost unanimous vote by the end of the week.

### Hitchcock Speaks Out

The plan of combining action on the two four-power treaty supplements was proposed by Senator Lodge after he had decided it was unnecessary to present two separate ratification resolutions. The treaty opponents, holding that the domestic questions supplement

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### HALF MILLION WORDS ARE NOW BEING USED

"The English vocabulary has grown to great size," says Prof. Clark S. Northrup, of Cornell university, one of the contributors to The New Universities dictionary now being distributed by this paper exclusively to its readers; "the number of words found in the old English literature does not exceed thirty thousand; recent dictionaries have listed more than four hundred thousand, mostly of foreign origin. Yet most writers use mainly English words."

"Shakespeare used 90 per cent of English words; the English Bible contains 94 per cent; Addison 82 per cent; Tennyson 88 per cent. Most of our shortest and simplest words are of native origin."

Floods of coupons continue pouring in for The New Universities Dictionary. The distributing clerks are kept busy. The publishers have been ordered to keep a big supply bound and ready for emergency calls. It looks as though the raid on the supply would soon make a replenishment necessary. Such a rush was not expected, but this paper is greatly pleased to see readers taking such an enthusiastic advantage of its educational offer.

All day Saturday and Monday, a steady stream of people called at the Statesman office, produced three coupons and 98 cents each, secured the dictionary, examined it, and with pleasant smiles carried the dictionary away. Doctors, lawyers, bankers, clergymen, university men, business men, mothers, fathers, boys and girls, all kept after this wonderful dictionary mingled in the crowd. Everybody seemed to be anxious to secure the dictionary bargain.

### CHEMAWA SCHOOL IS HIGHLY PRAISED BY VISITING COUNCIL

A full high school course available for every Indian student at Chemawa is one of the things asked for in strong resolutions passed yesterday by the interchurch educational council for the Indians, which met in Salem, Sunday and Monday.

A ruling passed last year by the Indian department, that Chemawa should not even furnish a home for the Indian students who have finished the 10th grade work of the school and desire to go further in their education, was the ground for this resolution. The need of broader education than the 10th grade is so apparent that the council declared strongly for a change of policy that would make it easy and even tempting for any Indian student to go further, even on thorough college, as a good governmental investment.

The council took occasion to commend heartily the work of Superintendent and Mrs. Harwood Hall, in charge at Chemawa. They find Chemawa at the very top of all the Indian schools they have visited and this is their sixth visitation.

**Others Are Visited**  
They visited the school at Lawrence, Kans., the school in Oklahoma, the schools at Phoenix, Ariz., at Riverside, Cal., and at Sacramento, and are to be in Seattle today, to take in one of the schools near there. The Chemawa school was found to be the leader of them all, in educational, as well as in religious work.

The religious work being carried on at Chemawa under the leadership of Miss Gertrude Eakin of Salem, was especially commended. A survey of the religious conditions was one of the primary duties of the board, but general industrial and educational conditions that have a bearing on the spiritual are gone over thoroughly. The visitors expressed themselves as delighted with everything they found here at Chemawa—socially, educationally, religiously, industrially. It is one of the finest endorsements ever

given to this or any other school, for it comes unsought, unprepared for and from nationally known students of education and of Indian affairs.

**Association Visited**  
The visitors spent a good part of Monday with the ministerial association of Salem, going over the local Indian affairs from a spiritual standpoint. One of the visitors, E. C. Higley, of New York, was in Salem last summer, one of the teachers in the rural pastors' school at Kimball, in June and July. The other members of the party were R. E. E. Linquist, and Miss Bertha M. Eckhart.

Following so closely on the visit of Dr. Samuel Elliot, member of the national Indian council, who also said much the same things of the conduct of the school, and urged the extension of the course so that every Indian student in Chemawa can go on through high school or even college with Chemawa as a home, this visit may help to bring to the local institution the national recognition it has earned, and make it a college and a home to put every Indian boy and girl in the way of an education second to none.