

### Trial Exhibits Bizarre Sights

#### Writer Finds Incongruous Items Left in Court From Old Trials

By BEULAH CHAPMAN  
When the seven state supreme court judges doffed their black robes and adjourned court for the summer Thursday, they left behind in the supreme court building, besides the orderly documents of records in the cases they had decided, an incongruous array of odds and ends that had been presented as material evidence in various cases.

Bedbugs, guns, a human eye, a cornet, boxes of lead, parts of an old "stilly"—these are among the items to be found in the supreme court attic which might lead one to suspect the dignified judges of having a collecting mania.

In almost every case appealed to the higher tribunal there are some items marked "Exhibit A" that must be considered with the testimony. When the case is decided, these exhibits remain in the courthouse unless removed by a special order of the court. For well over 50 years such exhibits have been collected and since the erection of the present supreme court building in 1914 they have been gathering dust in the attic there. What use they can ever be is an open question, but certainly they furnish amusement to anyone fortunate enough to be allowed to rummage through them.

Somewhat itched Tucked away in the corner of a big drawer is a small mayonnaise jar in which about two dozen very dead bedbugs may be seen. Attached to the jar is a roll of sheets in which the bedbugs were supposed to have had their abode when alive. The sheets are wrapped in a newspaper bearing the date, November 11, 1916. Behind these mummified vermin lies the story of a Portland man who had bought a boarding house in 1916. He wanted to renege on the purchase and claimed that the house was not as it had been represented—that, specifically, it was lousy. The little bugs were introduced to prove the condition of the boarding house.

In another drawer is a human eye preserved in alcohol. This was once introduced in a case in which a man had got a piece of steel in his eye. When he lost his eye he sued his doctor for incompetency in caring for it. The eye was evidently introduced to prove that there had been an eye and that the man had really lost it.

Bike Tells Tragedy Mute reminder of a tragic death is a boy's bicycle with both wheels badly bent. In the wire basket on the back of the bike is a cap and lunch basket of the small kid who was hit by a truck near Portland several years ago.

A contested will accounts for a small metal strong box lying on the top of a high shelf. The box has obviously been broken into, for a jagged line around the top has been cut, permitting access to the inside without using a key. The work was apparently done with an old-fashioned can opener.

Reminiscent of prohibition days are the parts of an old "stilly" which also rest on the shelf.

A cornet which once played in a circus band has long lay in its case among the other exhibits. It figured in the case of Tupps vs. Portland, Eugene and Eastern Railway company. It seems that while the circus band was parading in Albany, the street car turned a corner and ran into the cornet player, ramming the instrument into his face. The bent instrument helped procure damages for the player.

Gun Tells Murder Guns, too, find their place in the collection. A shotgun bears a card indicating that it was introduced in the case of State versus Trent, a lately publicized case of a few years ago in which a Yamhill man shot at some people he suspected of stealing watermelons. Beside it is a rifle which figured in the Coos county murder case of State vs. Picer.

If one were trying to think of the thing most unlikely to be introduced as an exhibit, a limb from a tree should be a fairly good guess. But even that is to be found among this collection. The limb was introduced in a

### Olympic National Park Abounds in Scenery



Horseback travel as well as motor travel is pleasant in the Olympic National Park. Below, route taken by Motorlog party.



### How Does Your Garden Grow?

By LILLIE L. MADSEN  
Mostly answers to questions: Occasionally I get complaints about Portulacae not doing well. This may usually be traced to the fact that the soil is too heavy, too rich. One of the nice things about Portulacae is that they are perfectly willing to accept conditions not welcomed by most plants.



Poor quality soil, soil that is light, sandy, a sunny location, trace of lime and you have the conditions under which Portulacae thrive best. With a light, dry soil, irrigation helps. This same condition holds true for the average Wallflower. Wallflowers are so easily grown that failure on their part to do well can nearly always be chalked off as wrong cultural methods.

Wallflowers should be started from seed this month. By next spring you'll then have plenty of bloom.

Pansies, Sweet Williams, Violets, Canterbury Bells, Hollyhocks, Pyrethrum, Coreopsis, Snapdragon, Gaillardias, are among the plants to start from seed in July for next spring's bloom.

There are a number of shrubs which will also start now from cuttings of half-ripened wood. Among those easily rooted are Kerria, Deutzias, Forsythia, Philadelphus, Abelia, Syreax, Weigela. If you like to experiment, try the hormones which are said to hasten root growth on cuttings.

Lots of the little evergreen trees can be started by cuttings now. If you are using the hormones, just dip the ends of the cuttings into water and then into the powdered hormone. A box of half sand and half peat set down into the cold frame and kept moist is good. I have started a number of cuttings in a box of beach sand and nothing else. The box was kept in a dark corner at the north east corner of the house and the sand was kept moist. I have never had better luck than when I have used beach sand. Perhaps the touch of salt in the sand helped to keep out fungi.

Remove Rose Stocks As soon as your rambler roses have finished blooming, remove all old stocks to the ground, keeping only four or so of this year's growth. Spray these well and keep the soil loosened at their base.

Feed your Chrysanthemums, your Japanese Anemones, your Violets with weak manure water now. Not long ago I visited a gardener who was ambitiously hoeing her Azaleas and Rhododendrons.

"I know," she informed me at once, "that some people advocate not hoeing them. But I'm not. I can't stand to see weeds and uncultivated soil." We talked of other things a bit and then she went on, "I wonder what's the matter with this Azalea. It's been here years and it never gets bigger and it doesn't bloom much."

She really answered her own query with her first statement. Azaleas and Rhododendrons resent being cultivated. Their feeder roots grow near the surface of the soil and these should not be hoed off. Neither should they be allowed to bake in the heat of the July and August sun. Give them a good loose mulch now. Peat Moss, if you can; leaves and leaf mold if you can't give them the peat. If you give the shrubs a few good soakings of water now you will also have more blooms next year. Remember these evergreens are setting their bloom buds now.

Abelias will repay care you give for extra care. Give them a few doses of balanced fertilizer now. Keep your violets growing well. Cut back your scraggly pansies. Give your gladioli and dahlias plenty of water. Watch for suckers at the base of your roses. These should be kept down. The same may be said for the lilacs. Lilac suckers take the strength from your shrubs.

Good soil for seed boxes for delphiniums consists of 2 parts leafmold, two parts peat moss and one part sand. The three ingredients should be thoroughly mixed. Delphinium seeds germinate best right after they have ripened. Poor air circulation and too much moisture will cause delphiniums to dampen off. A treatment with semesan will help this. Follow the directions on the container.

Delphiniums should be watered early in the morning. Late in the afternoon is apt to cause mildew. If the grass in the fairy ring is completely dry, don't expect it to come to life again no matter how much you irrigate. If the patch is really conquered, seed the patch if you want the place to be green.

In some places lawn moths bother the grass and make brown patches. In that case soak the green edges with a teaspoonful of liquid rotenone in a gallon of water. It's not used to poison the dead grass as the grubbs will have left that for greener pastures.

Care for Cactus Christmas cactus care should begin now for winter bloom. As a rule two months' rest after blooming season is sufficient. Water as you do geraniums. When buds begin to set in the fall, withhold water for a week or ten days. When the plant actually begins to bloom give it more water again. Keep it in as nearly an even temperature as possible.

### Olympic Jaunt Easy to Take

#### Washington Loop Journey Through National Park Made in Weekend

The Statesman is cooperating with the Oregon State Motor association and The Oregonian in presenting a series of motorlogs designed to stimulate travel in Oregon and the Pacific northwest.

For Oregonians the Olympic loop trip makes an ideal three-day motor jaunt. It provides a variety of scenery, mountains, streams, lakes, woods and bays that is not to be duplicated in any other trip covering the same mileage.

The Olympic national park, located in the central part of the Olympic peninsula, Washington, is washed on three sides by the waters of the Pacific ocean, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Puget sound. Only 12 miles of main highway are within the park, although there are many miles of forest roads and some 2000 miles of hiking and riding trails.

The Oregonian-Oregon State Motor association motorlog party found much of the area traversed extremely rugged and primitive, teeming with all kinds of wild life, fish, deer, bears and elk. Many Indian tribes live on the peninsula, principally near the coast, for they are primarily fishermen and canoe Indians.

One of the features of the trip was a ride in an Indian dug-out canoe, powered with a modern outboard motor. Although the Indians are quite up to date in many respects, they still manufacture their own canoes by hewing them from great cedar logs.

The best close-ups of the mountains in Olympic park were obtained from the north side of the peninsula, the motorlog party reported. However, they are visible most of the way around the loop.

The mileage from Portland to Port Angeles, where the loop trip officially begins, is 253 miles. The distance around the peninsula and back to Portland via Astoria totaled 361 miles. The party made side trips to Olympic and Sol Duc Hot Springs, La Push, Pacific Beach and Port Townsend. These trips were not included in the mileage totals.

The main Olympic loop highway is paved throughout its entire length.

be sprayed from early spring until after they have finished blooming, then cut off stalks and bars. There are new preparations out for this purpose. One spray manufactured at Portland is exceptionally good in control, I'm told.

Mrs. T. P. R. writes that she has been told lilacs won't do well near fir or oak trees but that hers have grown marvelously beneath both. I must admit that while such positions are unorthodox as far as lilacs are concerned, I have had the same "luck" as Mrs. T. P. R. But perhaps our soil is alkaline by nature. Lilacs do better in a soil that leans toward alkalinity rather than acidity. Give the lilacs plenty of bone-meal in early autumn. A small amount of

well-rotted manure dug in around the bush in February each year also improves the lilacs.

### 'Badgett Quads Takin' Their Place in the Sun



Left to right, Joan, Jeanette, Jeraldine and Joyce Taking their first sunbath, the Badgett quadruplets right, the girls are Joan, Jeanette, Jeraldine and of Galveston, Tex., line up for a picture. Left to right, the quads now are five months old.

### State War Vet Board Reports

#### Aid Commission Activity in 19 Years' Service Helps Many Vets

During the 19 years the state world war veterans state aid commission has been in operation it has handled \$30,830,125 loans to world war and Spanish American war veterans enlisting from the state of Oregon. Jerrold Owen, secretary, reported here Saturday. The commission has paid out \$5,136,079 in cash bonuses to world war veterans and has administered property which has become state-owned in the amount of \$8,000,000.

To assist in its loan operations, the commission appointed three appraisers in every county in the state. These appraisers and field inspectors viewed all property offered as security and submitted recommendations to the commission which passed personally on each loan. It was mandatory, under the law, that these loans be granted up to 75 per cent of the appraised value of the property as fixed by the commission after considering all information available.

13,148 Made Loans Loans were granted to a total of 13,148 ex-service men. Of this number of properties, 3368 reverted to the state either through abandonment or failure to meet terms of the loans. There remain on hand 1499 of these properties, 460 of them farms and 940 city properties, in which the state has invested \$3,129,545.

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### Jefferson Youth Given Farewell

JEFFERSON — A surprise farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rehfeld, Wednesday night for their son, Francis, who left Thursday to enlist with the CCC.

A quiz program and games formed the features of the evening. At the close ice cream and cookies and punch were served. Present were Waiter, John and Helen Kiba, Edith Wilson, Lucille and Dale Jenness, Alayne, Allen and Betty Chilton, Anna Klampe, Mrs. Nettie Reeves, Helen Hinz, and Mr. and Mrs. Rehfeld and family, Orville, Francis, Lawrence and Anna Mae Rehfeld.

ADDITION TO HOME LIBERTY — V. A. Ballantyne poured concrete foundation Tuesday for an addition to his house and is to start the building immediately.

TO REUNION LIBERTY — Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Ballantyne will attend the reunion and picnic Sunday of the Lafayette seminary and Dallas college in Dallas, Mrs. Ballantyne is an alumna of Dallas college and he of the seminary.

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### Silverton Council Keeps Odd Hours

SILVERTON — Odd hours seem to be a habit of the city council. Wednesday morning the council was called at 7 a. m. to obtain the quorum necessary to transact business. Monday night's meeting has been set for 6:30 so that baseball games can be through in time to attend the second round of games at McGinnis park.

### Singes Fingers At Aumsville

AUMSVILLE — One casualty from the Fourth of July celebration here was Richard Warren, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Warren, who suffered some badly burned fingers from a firecracker.

### Boy's Photo of King Nets Him Small Fortune

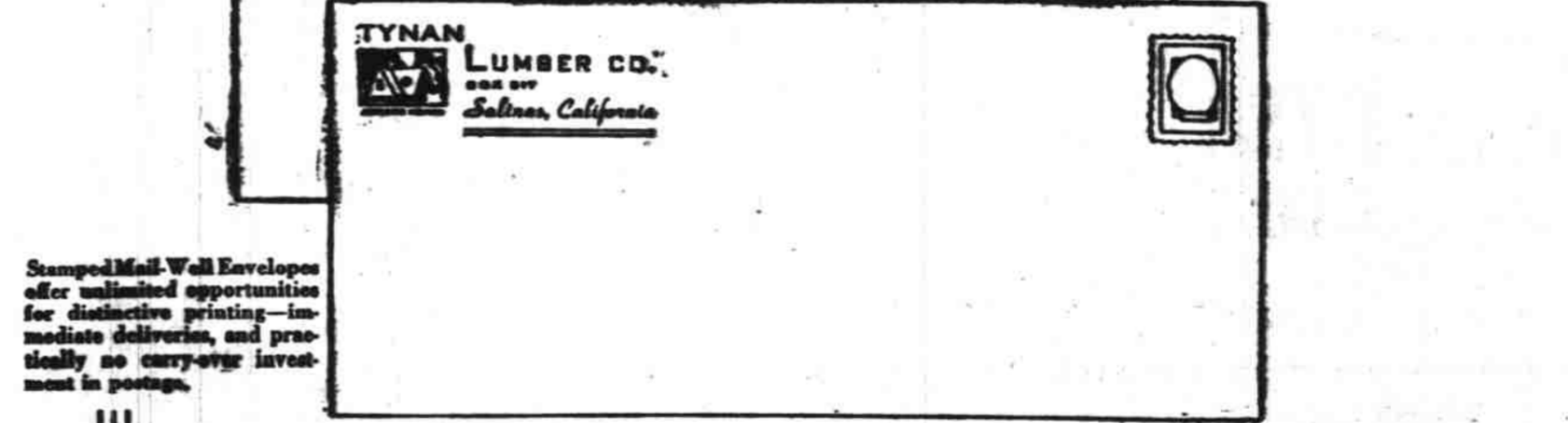
When Ted Underhill snapped a picture of the British king and queen as they rode past his home at Vancouver, B. C., he netted himself a small fortune for the picture's fame has spread and requests for prints have poured in on him from all over the



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United States and Canada. More than 20,000 prints have been sold and Ted already has netted more than \$500. Ted claims there's nothing unusual about his snapshot except perhaps that personal smile that the king seems to have given it.

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