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WEB WOVEN ABOUT ARNOLD

Prosecution Presents Evidence Against Alleged Murderer Which Seems Conclusive.

RUMORED THAT DEFENSE WILL SPRING SURPRISE

Court Room Crowded With Curious People to See Mesh Woven About Claud Arnold—Taking of Testimony Began Yesterday Afternoon—Prosecution Has Much Circumstantial Evidence But it is Intimated Defense Has Card up Sleeve

With every available seat in the court room occupied and men standing up against the three walls of the court room the trial of Claud Arnold for the murder of A. Raben is drawing the biggest crowd of any murder trial in local history. The interest is intense and every spectator strains his ears to catch every word of the testimony given by the witnesses on the stand. With every witness the state is drawing closer and weaving finer its web of circumstantial evidence about the unfortunate defendant.

Beginning yesterday afternoon with the introduction of the testimony of Coroner Ralph Folsom the prosecution started its looms and has been steadily weaving on its web ever since. A thread here and a thread there, picked up and pieced together with a master's skill by Sheriff Taylor and his assistance, it is being woven into a web for the benefit of the jury.

Testimony Begins. Coroner Folsom testified to the finding of the body and the inquest. He was followed by Dr. Cole who testified as to the blows on the man's head, the crushed skull, the spattered brains and the death which must have been instantaneous from such brutal beating.

Sheriff Taylor took the stand and detailed to the jury minutely the spot where the body was found, the condition of the body and the surroundings. It was near mile post 132 on the Spokane branch about six miles above Emattilla. The body lay in a bunch of safe brush a short distance from the railroad track toward the river. Evidence showed that the body had been dragged from the south side of the railroad track across the track to where it lay. Evidently the murderer intended to dump his victim into the river but finding the conditions unfavorable left it lying there after carefully attempting to cover it up. The face was covered with some brush and grass. Across the track at mile post 132 the sheriff found where two horses had been tied to a post. These tracks he followed from that point on the return to where they were lost in the country road in the vicinity of the Government reservoir. From there it was impossible to follow the horses' track farther.

At the point where the body was found the sheriff testified as to the condition of the ground and the finding of several foot prints in the sand and dirt. Of these foot prints careful measurements were made and of one especially a plaster cast was made. Also the big, ugly club with which the deed was done, bloody and covered with spattered brains, was picked up and introduced in evidence.

Witnesses Connect Prisoner. So far the defendant had not been connected with the testimony except in a general sort of way. Deputy Sheriff Bert Wilson took the stand and the principal points of interest in his testimony were the plaster cast of the footprint found near the body of the murdered man and the shoes taken from the defendant at the time he was arrested. These were put in evidence for the consideration of the jury. The shoe was fitted to the plaster cast and the jury was left to draw their own conclusions.

Then the state began from Echo to connect the defendant with the crime. Mr. Bonney, a Hiversman, testified that about the 21st of last November the defendant came to his Hiversstable and hired a team and buggy. At the time Mr. Bonney had known the de-

fendant and of course did not ask him his name, but did ask him what his business was. The defendant, so Bonney testified, said he was looking after cattle for a man named Swornson and wanted the rig for that purpose. Mr. Bonney let him have the rig and saw him drive up the street and saw another man get into the rig with defendant. This was on Sunday about 11 o'clock and the team was not returned to the barn until about 11 o'clock that night. When Bonney saw the defendant on the streets the next morning or Tuesday morning he demanded pay for the rig and he testified that the defendant answered "The man I was looking for was to be here Sunday, but he did not come and so I have no money and can't pay you for the team."

Engage Two Horses.

On Tuesday morning the defendant went to the livery stable of Mr. Barker in Echo and engaged two saddle horses about 8 o'clock. He did not come for the horses until about 1 o'clock. When he did, so Mr. Barker testified, he said he and his friend wanted to take a little ride. Mr. Barker saddled up the horses and the defendant mounted one, saying he would ride over to the hotel and see if his friend was ready and if he was they would go. He came back in a few minutes and got the other horse and led him away toward the railroad track and Barker said he saw the other man meet him and they mounted the horses and rode away north. Mr. Barker said that was about 1 o'clock in the afternoon and at 12 o'clock that night when he left the barn and went home the horses had not been returned. He got up at 5 o'clock in the morning and went to the barn and the horses were there. He had left no one in charge of the barn. About 8 o'clock he met the defendant on the street.

Mr. Barker testified that the defendant then asked him what time the horses got in. Mr. Barker replied that he didn't know, but some time between midnight and 5 o'clock in the morning. The defendant then said: "Well, I hired those horses for two other fellows, but as I hired them I suppose I will have to pay for them. I don't suppose they paid for them, and I will have to pay you for them. That is the way I am always treated." And he pulled out a purse from his pocket to pay for the two horses and Mr. Barker testified that he had a five dollar gold piece and a ten dol-

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DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST HERMANN

BAKER CITY ATTORNEY GIVES IMPORTANT EVIDENCE

Emmett Callahan Connects Binger With Fraudulent Schemes for First Time in Trial—Hermann Told Him That Oregon Men Would Benefit By Transaction.

Portland, Jan. 25.—Binger Hermann was connected directly with a knowledge of the Mays-Jones activities in the school lands of the Blue mountain reserve for the first time today by the testimony of Emmett Callahan, a Baker City attorney. "Callahan, why bother about it," Hermann is quoted as having said during a conference in Washington, concerning the Blue mountain reserve. "It is only a matter of some 200,000 acres. The state will benefit by the transaction, as well as a few men and these men are our friends, and are Oregonians." This in substance, is the conversation of Hermann with Callahan, as told by Callahan in the present trial. He continued by saying that Hermann had mentioned Mays and Odell as being two of the Oregon men who would benefit by the creation of the reserve.

PARIS COUNCIL CONDUCTS SPECIAL "CALAMITY" SESSION

Paris, Jan. 25.—The chamber of deputies this afternoon went into a special "calamity" session following the reports which indicate the city is face to face with a terrible catastrophe which it is feared will result during the night from rising waters. The towns of Nogent and Saint-Maur are completely inundated. The cabinet this evening estimates the loss throughout France from high water at \$100,000,000 with a strong probability of it reaching \$250,000,000. The Seine is roaring its fury, which is increased hourly by the great weight of water coming down upon it from above Paris and tonight threatens to tear all barriers and send its floods sweeping through the great city.

WATER HAS NO TERRORS FOR AMBASSADOR BACON

Paris, Jan. 25.—Although water stands five feet deep in the basement of the residence of Robert Bacon, the new United States ambassador to France, he is sticking manfully to his post today. The house, which is in Avenue Gerber, is almost surrounded by water from the river. Its heating and lighting facilities have been put out of commission, and telephone connections are severed.

NOW UP TO THE REALTY OWNERS

Big Property Owners Must Be Brought Into Traction Movement.

NEARLY \$8000 IS ALREADY PLEDGED

Efforts Now Centered on Getting Support of "Principal Beneficiaries"—Merchants and Men With Moderate Holdings Enthusiastic for Traction System—Compromise May Save the Day.

Table listing names and amounts pledged to the traction system, including Dr. C. J. Smith (\$1000), R. Alexander (1000), Leon Cohen (1000), James A. Fee (1000), E. J. Murphy (1000), W. L. Thompson (1000), C. E. Coleworthy (500), Bond Bros. (500), Frank O'Gara (500), J. P. Robinson (250), E. A. Schiffer (100), and V. Stroble (100), totaling \$7,900.

The above is the status of the traction company subscription as it stands today and as it stood yesterday afternoon after the close of a brief campaign by the committee. Although the solicitors have hardly started up on their work they have already secured nearly \$8000 of the sum that is needed. If the rest of the money can be secured with the same ease as this amount the movement to get a traction system for Pendleton will succeed.

At this time however there is a brief lull in the work of solicitation pending some negotiations between members of the committee and some of the heavy property owners of the city. The committee is taking the stand that the support of the big really holders is absolutely imperative if the movement is to succeed. The solicitors do not want to ask merchants and small property owners to bear the full burden of the movement when the wealthy property owners will be the chief beneficiaries of the improvement.

Accordingly work is now being done towards bringing influential property owners and members of the committee together so as to provide proper support from the really owners towards raising the fund. Those who are backing this line of action hope by some manner of compromise to eliminate objections to the movement and get all the people of the city behind the scheme. How well they will succeed remains to be seen.

Yesterday's soliciting work did not swell the subscription list greatly the work that was done proves that the merchants and property owners with moderate holdings are enthusiastically behind the movement. All of those who subscribed did so willingly and readily, much to the gratification of the committee. The committee was out for but a short time yesterday but the result shows that there will be much support from the "rank and file" of the people of the city. As the situation stands the matter is entirely up to the big property owners.

PARISIANS BATTLE DESPERATELY WITH RAGING FLOOD WATERS

Paris, Jan. 26.—At dawn today thousands of flood victims, many of which had not tasted food for two days were standing in soup and bread lines leading to the public kitchens established with the relief fund to which wealthy Parisians contributed. The city today is in a wretched state. Following a heavy fall of snow last night, warmer weather prevails today and melting snows are swelling the floods that are sweeping down the Seine. The Paris weather bureau offers no immediate relief. Indications point to more rain and snow during the day. Two hundred thousand people have been rendered homeless in the inundated district.

People Ready to Flee. People are preparing to flee and almost every citizen with the valuables for which he cares most, is holding himself in readiness for any emergency.

POULTRY SHOW BREAKS RECORD

Local Exhibition Opens With Largest Attendance of Any Show on Coast.

KEENEST COMPETITION ALSO AMONG BIRDS

More People In Attendance on First Evening Than in First Two Days of Portland and Walla Walla Shows—Judge Dixon Pays Tribute to Exhibition—Special Music Tonight—Show To Last Through Saturday—Awards Made.

By having nearly exactly 600 birds on exhibit and by having the largest opening day attendance of any poultry show on the coast this year, the Pendleton show easily takes its place in the very front rank of western shows. More than 500 people passed through the doors last evening, fully as large as was the attendance for the first two days of the Portland and Walla Walla shows. While the local people are manifesting a great deal of interest and are giving the undertaking the support it deserves, the crowds that are coming daily from out of town are helping to swell the attendance. People are coming from every part of Umatilla and Morrow counties and there are some here from Union county. These are in addition to the exhibitors who are here in person from all over the northwest.

Keen Competition. Judge Elmer Dixon, who has officiated at practically all the leading shows on the coast from the California line to Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., says the competition in the barred Plymouth Rock class is the strongest he has seen this winter. He explains that he means by that statement that there were the greatest number of leading northwest breeders at this show of any show held in the northwest this year and this is saying a great deal.

While the competition is keen in all classes the closest is found in the barred and buff rocks, the white and buff Orpingtons and the Minorcas.

Awarding Prizes. Judge Dixon is making rapid progress in scoring the birds and will have the cards finished by this evening or early tomorrow morning. The awards will be placed as soon thereafter as possible. Many of those have already been made and the winners have taken occasion to decorate their coops with ribbons, cups and trophies won in former contests. These form one of the most attractive features of the show and as the days go by this feature will grow better and better.

Show Lasts All Week. Many expressions of satisfaction at the decision to continue the show all week are heard on all sides. Pendleton people are delighted at the chance to go night after night while the exhibitors are delighted at the opportunity offered for more extensive advertising.

Birds Given Away. The first of the standard bred cockerels was given away last evening and at least one will be given away each evening this week. The bird given away last evening was won by L. E. Tibbon of Kamela, a forest ranger in the Whitman forest. Several numbers were drawn out before the show reached, as many people had gone home and were not in the room when the drawing took place. The numbers not drawn out each

evening will be left in the box and mixed with those put in the box the evening the drawing takes place. According to present plans there will be a more extensive drawing Saturday night. There will be three or more prizes of the total value of \$25 or \$30. All the numbers given out during the week and not drawn from the box during one of the evenings will have a chance at the grand drawing on the closing night.

Prize Winners. The following is a list of the prize winners announced thus far:

- Barred Plymouth Rocks. D. C. Gurdane, Heppner—First on cockerel and hen. M. J. Myers, Portland—First on pen, third cockerel, second cockerel, second hen. Douglas & Durrant, Walla Walla—First pullet, first cock and third pen. E. S. Foss, Walla Walla—Second cock, third cock. Breed & Robison, Walla Walla—Second pullet, second pen, third hen, third pullet. White Plymouth Rocks. Wm. Hill, Heppner—First pullet, first and second hen, first cockerel and second pen. C. E. Johnson, Irrigon—Second and third pullet, first cock, third cockerel and first pen. J. P. Kurtz, Irrigon—Second cockerel.

Buff Rocks. B. F. Williams, Milton—Second cock, second hen, third hen. Whida Bros, Lents—First hen, first and second and third cockerel, first pullet, also second and third.

Golden Wyandottes. Dickson & Levy, Walla—First, second and third pullet, first hen, second and third cockerel. Silver Wyandottes. L. U. Temple, Pendleton—Third pullet, third cockerel.

White Wyandottes. Chas. O. Curtis, Pasco, Wash.—First pullet, third cockerel. A. E. Dickson, Pomeroy, Wash.—Second pullet, first cockerel, also second. F. M. Barrows—Third pullet, first hen, also second and third, second cock.

Houdans. Lee Drake, Pendleton—Third hen. Buff Orpingtons. Windle Bros, Lents—First, second.

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STAGE GULCH PHONES CONNECT WITH CITY

FORMAL CONNECTIONS MADE THIS MORNING

New Line Is Eleven Miles Long and at Present Only Four Subscribers—Work on Line to Holdman Nearing Completion.

The Stage Gulch Telephone company's new rural line, just completed, was formerly connected with the city service of the Pacific Telephone company today and as a result this city now has phone connections with the Stage Gulch region northwest of town. The line as it now stands is 11 miles in length and has four subscribers. They are Alfred Lang, Brady Howdyshell, Charles Chaney and Virgil Moore. Of these the Moore ranch is the most distant from the city.

The work upon the rural line from the city to Holdman is now approaching completion and it is understood the line will be ready for use within a couple of weeks. When this line is completed a switchboard will be established at Holdman and through the same several small rural lines will be brought into connection with the city.

SEARCH LIGHT IS TURNED ON

Congressional Committee Begins Its Investigation of Ballinger Charge.

PROBING WILL BE MINUTE AND THOROUGH

Members of Congress Start Investigation of Allegations Made Against Secretary of Interior—Glavis First to Take Stand—Taking of Testimony Will be Extended—Committee Will go to Alaska to Make Personal Investigation.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 25.—Actual probing of the famous Ballinger-Pinchot controversy began today when L. R. Glavis, who was removed from the office of chief of the field division of the land office by President Taft, was called before the joint committee of congress to begin his testimony. It is not expected that all of the evidence will be obtained and reports submitted before next congress.

The taking of evidence will place in the records the most minute details of the manner in which the disposal of public lands has been made under the direction of Ballinger, and every phase of the famous Cunningham-Alaska coal cases with a vast amount of details regarding other cases, closed, proposed, and pending. In addition to the hearing, evidence here, the committee will make a trip into the northwest in the summer, and will go to Alaska where it will actually investigate at first-hand the charges that the government has been defrauded of most of its valuable coal deposits.

People Crowd Room. Great public interest is shown by the enormous crowd which thronged the committee room and all adjacent halls, anxious to hear a word of the testimony or to see leading participants in the affair which has caused so much confusion in high places. It is believed the investigation will progress somewhat slowly at first as the committee evidently intends to go into the matter systematically with the purpose of clearing up every phase under discussion before passing on to the next feature.

Attorney George Pepper, of Philadelphia, appeared as counsel for Gifford Pinchot. The public expects Pinchot will appear in person and give voice to his grounds of complaint against the interior department, the expression of which led to his dismissal and that of his subordinate, Glavis is attended by Attorneys L. D. Brandeis of Boston and Joseph Cotton of New York.

OWEN MORAN LOSES DECISION TO BALDWIN

Boston, Jan. 21.—A left hand body blow is regarded here today by sports as the cause of the defeat of Owen Moran, the English fighter by Baldwin of Charlestown last night. Baldwin was picked as the winner by the referee after twelve rounds of fighting at the Armory Athletic association. He handled Moran in a clean cut style and showed a complete reversal of form since the bout in which he was defeated by Moran. Moran's backers put up the excuse that the Britter showed the effect of his long lay-off.

DEEP TRUST SEEKS TO ELIMINATE SMALL DEALERS

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—"The beef trust has already entrenched itself solidly on the Pacific coast, but is now engaged in trying to make its position impregnable. The trust is going after city councils and boards of health in an effort to have laws passed with provisions that small slaughterers could not meet." This was the statement of J. McMenamy, president of the local butchers' board of trade, when asked for an explanation of the high prices of meat on the coast.

YACHTING PARTY IS MISSING AT EVERETT

Everett, Wash., Jan. 26.—Much anxiety is felt here today for the safety of a party of five young people from this city, who set sail on a pleasure trip yesterday in a sixteen foot sloop and who have not been heard of since. They expected to return in a few hours. Search is being made today but no trace has been found of them. Last night was very stormy, and it is thought the sloop may have foundered.

Hogquilities on Meat Strike. Hoquiam, Wash., Jan. 25.—The Hoquiam Trades and Labor Council today voted unanimously to abstain from the use of meat for 30 days and urges all local fraternal organizations to follow suit.

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