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BEATTIE ADMITS WIFE MURDER AND PAYS DEATH PENALTY

PROSECUTION SCORES COUP

Forces McNamara Defense to Exercise Four Peremptory Challenges.

EIGHT PERMANENT JURORS

District Attorney Fredericks Thoroughly Enjoys Discomfiture of Opponents, Caused by Announcement That He Would "Stand Pat."

Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 24.—The tense situation reached a climax in the McNamara trial today when the state passed all the men in the box and the defense was compelled to peremptorily challenge four, reducing their peremptories to seven. The state still has five challenges. The men eliminated were: F. McBurney, a builder; A. D. Stevens, a retired cattleman, and S. P. Elcott, a rancher, all of whom believed McNamara is guilty, and J. H. Harshall, a friend of District Attorney Fredericks.

The exercising of peremptories was delayed twenty minutes until the arrival of the prosecutor and nearly everyone was nervous. Darrow, with his hands in his pockets paced the floor, while his associates whispered nervously.

District Attorney Fredericks in announcing that the state "stood pat," smiled inscrutably and seemingly enjoyed the effect it had on the defense.

When the four filed out, F. A. Brode, his face white, jumped to his feet and told Judge Bordwell he had an absolute reason why he couldn't serve. Judge Bordwell took fifteen minutes for recess, and privately talked with Brode. Brode was in tears when he, J. S. Coke and E. S. Blawie were sworn, making eight permanent jurors.

Of fifty men drawn in the tenth venire, seventeen were qualified.

EYE WITNESS NAMES LA GRANDE SLAYER

La Grande, Nov. 24.—At the inquest held over the remains of a tramp who was brutally murdered here, Adolph Moll, an eighteen year old boy who claims to have witnessed the killing, named John Sables, a laborer, as the murderer and stated that he crushed the murdered man's head with an axe following a quarrel over fifty cents, involved in a poker game, which took place in a vacant house, where the party had repaired to partake of a hastily prepared meal. The man accused of the murder and two other suspects, including the informer, and a man called Palmer, are being held by the police.

BETRAYED BY GIRL, MURDERER CONFESSES

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 24.—Betrayed by Hazel Smith, his mistress, on whom the police found one of the diamonds stolen from Benjamin Goodman, after he was murdered, John Rogers, who was arrested yesterday, today hysterically made a partial confession of the crime.

The woman led the police to a strong box in a Kearney street saloon, where about half the stolen gems were found.

Rogers at first declared the jewels had been given him by Manuel Fruittell, who is also employed where Rogers worked.

Fruittell, confronting Rogers, told him he lied, and Rogers broke down completely. The police are concentrating their efforts in searching for a tall blonde man, who was seen with Rogers shortly before the murder. It is believed he was concerned in the actual murder.

East to West Via Canal.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 24.—Bearing the greetings of the Mayor of this city to the executive of San Francisco, Captain Harry Riehl of New York is today sailing southward in the 22-foot power dory George Washington, bound from this port for the Golden Gate, via the Panama canal. He expects to complete the voyage on Washington's birthday, February 22.

No Agreement Yet.

Lincoln, Center, Nov. 24.—The Chamberlain jury is still out. The judge said he would probably keep them together until tomorrow.

FOREIGN TROOPS TO GUARD RAILROAD.

Shanghai, Nov. 24.—Following the appearance of anti-foreign placards in many places in Peking, all the foreign diplomats are planning for the importation of larger forces of troops to guard the Peking-Tien Tsin railroad. A general outbreak is feared. It is over this road that the foreigners may have to flee if attacked. Mutterings against foreign residents are heard in many quarters and the situation is critical.

MRS. PATTERSON WAS ST. LOUIS COURTESAN

Denver Murderess of Husband Has a Police Record

Tells on Witness Stand of Liasons With Chicago Clothier and Claims Self Defense.

St. Louis, Nov. 24.—Declaring that Mrs. Patterson, on trial at Denver for the murder of her husband, and a woman who formerly ran a resort of ill-fame under the name of Gertrude Knight, are the same, Chief of Police Young forwarded statements to Denver today that may place big odds against the woman's chances of acquittal. Young says she was here in 1904.

Claims Self Defense.

Denver, Nov. 24.—Before a court room crowded with women, Mrs. Patterson took the stand and said she shot her husband after he had struck her repeatedly and called her vile names.

She said he wanted her to deed her house to him, which she refused to do.

Previously, she said, she had been to Europe with Emil Strouse, a wealthy Chicago clothier, to whom she asserted Patterson had leased her for \$1500.

"I killed him, in self defense," she said.

SCHOOL KIDDIES TO HAVE VACATION

When the schools of the city dismiss this afternoon, the several hundred scholars will begin the enjoyment of a nine-day vacation, the regular Thanksgiving holiday.

The occasion for the holiday is the annual institute of the Eastern Oregon State Teachers' association and of the counties of Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Baker and Malheur which will be held at Baker the first three days of next week. Every teacher in the five counties is expected to be present and to spend a certain number of hours at the meeting unless sickness or some other valid reason excuses them. With but few exceptions, the Pendleton instruction corps will leave in a body for Baker Sunday morning and will return Wednesday evening. Several of the teachers whose homes are in Oregon City and Portland will attend the Multnomah county institute and thus be able to spend part of their vacation with relatives.

MILLIONAIRE MOORE BREAKS DOWN ON WITNESS STAND

Redwood City, Calif., Nov. 24.—Sobbing like a broken hearted child, Millionaire Moore punctuated the story of his matrimonial experience with a dramatic interruption today when he practically collapsed on the witness stand. He was assisted from the court room.

He said that his wife had come to him on her bended knees and begged him to divorce her and that she was a victim of the drink habit.

Before his collapse he said he had once ordered Frederick Fenwick, a millionaire lumberman from his office one morning following a scene in Moore's San Mateo home, during which Mrs. Moore confessed that Fenwick had been familiar with her on an auto ride.

PREACHER DECLINES \$12,000 PASTORATE

Baltimore, Nov. 24.—Rev. Dr. Harriett E. Kirk, pastor of the Franklin Street Presbyterian church, announced that he has declined a call to Cavalry church, Philadelphia, because he believed his services were needed here more. For several weeks Dr. Kirk has given consideration to the call and many members of the church had thought he would accept it. The salary is believed to be \$12,000.

EASTERN ORE. R. R. ASSURED

Line Through Center of State, To Be Commenced During Next Month.

SURVEYORS ENDING WORK

Many Camps Constructed Along Route and Originally Surveyed Line Will Practically be Followed—Under Jurisdiction of O-W. R. & N.

Vale, Or., Nov. 24.—Construction on the Oregon Eastern railway, the trans-Oregon line of the Harriman system, from Vale, will be begun before the first of the year, according to Right-of-way Agent Harris of the Oregon Short Line, while speaking before a mass meeting of 200 business men and ranchers in this city.

Three parties of surveyors are now located in Malheur canyon. The first camp is under Engineer Ruppel, and is camping 8 miles south of the city near the mouth of the gorge. Engineer Cramer has camped 8 miles above the Harper ranch at the 40 mile post and Engineer Grimes and his crew are located at the 100 mile post and are camped on the Circle Bar ranch.

The surveyors are all working on the final survey and modifying location lines. On the whole the old survey lines will be followed.

Farrell Talks.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 24.—President J. D. Farrell of the O-W. R. & N. company, said this afternoon he understood the proposed trans-Oregon extension from Vale will be a part of the O-W. R. & N. when completed, and thus be placed under the jurisdiction of the O-W. R. & N. with headquarters in Portland. The construction work is being done by the Oregon Short Line because of convenience, the headquarters of that line being at Salt Lake City, Utah.

"I am not prepared to give any details concerning the Oregon Eastern," said President Farrell, "because I have not had time to look into the matter yet, but I understand the line is being built further to develop that great area of land referred to as central Oregon. I don't know at what point connection will be made with the Deschutes river line, but know that there is a large area of land awaiting development that can only follow the building of a railroad. The building of this line is not so much to give us a shorter line—I don't know that it would shorten our trans-continental line—but to develop central Oregon."

ANOTHER EFFORT MADE FOR A MORSE PARDON

Washington, Nov. 24.—Another attempt to secure the release of Charles Morse, the banker imprisoned in the federal prison at Atlanta, was made today when a new appeal for pardon was presented to President Taft by Morse's attorney, but was turned down. Immediate pardon was asked on the grounds that Morse is near death. He was sent to Atlanta for fifteen years in 1910 for misappropriation of funds of New York banks, he controlled Attorney General Wickersham said President Taft might make a statement later.

PENDLETON FANS OF GRIDIRON TO SEE STELLAR CONTEST HERE THANKSGIVING

Pendleton football fans will rejoice at the news that the high school is determined to secure a big game here on Thanksgiving Day and that it is certain that the team which defeated Baker so decisively a week ago will line up against a stellar aggregation from Portland, Walla Walla or Heppner on that day.

The boys have a preference for a game with the champions of the Portland interscholastic league and are using the long distance telephone this afternoon in an effort to secure such a game. The Portland championship was decided yesterday in the Washington-Jefferson game, but information as to which was the winner had not arrived in Pendleton at noon.

If a game is arranged between a Pendleton and a Portland team, several business men who are enthusiastic fans and have confidence in the local team, have signified their intention of circulating a paper among the fans for subscriptions to protect the high school management in case the gate receipts are not sufficient to cover expenses. Should the Portland champions

NORTHWEST WINS RATE REDUCTION.

Washington, Nov. 24.—Portland Seattle and Tacoma won the fight for cheaper freight rates into Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana today when the interstate commerce commission ordered a twenty per cent reduction in rates by the Northern Pacific, Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company and their connections. This is known as the back haul case, filed in 1909 by the coast cities who alleged rates were unduly high.

PENDLETON NEEDS CITY ELECTRIC PLANT

Frisco Public Utilities Expert Makes Statement

Declares Plant Would Prove Very Valuable Asset and Paying Resource of City in Near Future.

That it would pay the city of Pendleton and pay it well to establish a municipal electric plant and even to use electricity from the same in the operation of electric lines into the city from tributary territory is the declaration of E. P. E. Troy of San Francisco, who was here yesterday. Mr. Troy is known upon the coast as an expert on the subject of public utilities. He has been at Oregon City in the service of W. S. O'Brien, who is drafting a plan to submit the proposition of single tax to the voters of Clackamas county. Mr. Troy was called in to arrange the plan for the assessment of the public service corporations such as the big power company using the falls at Oregon City, and he has just concluded the work. He is now making a brief tour of the northwest before returning to San Francisco.

As a result of his experience in California, Mr. Troy has become an earnest advocate of municipal ownership of such enterprises as power plants. He says that the future will show the power resources of the west to be of immense value and that cities acquiring and holding power will be fortunate.

According to Mr. Troy, his investigation of the situation at Oregon City reveals that the power company controlling the falls is making fabulous profits and is not properly assessed by the present state tax board.

EMBEZZLER IS GIVEN STIFF PRISON SENTENCE

New York, Nov. 24.—Sentenced to not more than eight years and eight months or less than four years and eight months was imposed on W. J. Cummins, former trustee of the Carnegie Trust company, who was convicted of embezzling \$140,000 of the institution's funds today.

Needle in Foot Twenty Years.

Warrensburg, Mo., Nov. 24.—An operation removed a portion of a needle a quarter of an inch long from the foot of Miss Mattie Johnson, a milliner. The needle has been in her foot for twenty years. Miss Johnson suffered no inconvenience from the needle until two weeks ago, when it commenced to cause her pain.

WALKS COOLLY TO DEATH CHAIR WITH SAINTLY AIR

Believes Almighty is Awaiting His Arrival Above With Welcoming Arms Outstretched

EXTENDS THANKS, VIA PARSON, TO 'SYMPATHIZERS'

Complains That Many Details of Coldblooded Crime Were Not Correctly Published in Newspapers—Enters Unknown on an Empty Stomach—Beulah Slept Well.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 24.—Shortly after Henry Clay Beattie was shocked to death in the state electric chair this morning, for the murder of his young wife, Rev. Fix, the murderer's spiritual adviser, announced that Beattie had confessed, to him, in a written statement, which follows: "I, Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., desirous of standing right before God and man, do on this twenty-fourth day of November, 1911, confess my guilt, of the crime, charged against me.

"Much has been published, concerning the detail of the crime, which is not true, but the awful fact, without the harrowing circumstances, remains. "For this action, I am truly sorry.

"I believe that I am at peace with God and that I am soon to pass into his presence.

"This statement is made and signed by HENRY CLAY BEATTIE, JR."

"Guilty or innocent, I am proud of my son." In a second statement issued by Rev. Fix he stated that Beattie desired to thank his friends for their kind letters and also the public "for any sympathy it felt toward him." Beattie admitted the murder was premeditated to the ministers. He said he wanted his wife out of the way, because he wanted to live with "a woman," probably Beulah Binford, whom he did not intend to marry.

He confessed he was glad his wife was dead as he thought he was free. He arranged, in advance, to tell the highwayman story but lacked cunning and was not a good actor.

History of the Case.

On a dark night last July Henry Clay Beattie returned from a joyride on the lonely Midlothian Turnpike with the blood-stained body of his wife held close to his side in his auto. But an hour before the couple had left the home of the girl's uncle, Thomas Owen. There the body of the body woman was taken, and there Beattie told a story of a bearded highwayman, who held up his machine in the road, after the auto had nearly run him down. Beattie said that when he started his auto to run away from the bearded stranger, who was armed with a shotgun, the man fired at the machine, killing Mrs. Beattie.

While the family of the dead girl mourned her death at home Beattie, with police officials and private detectives scoured the neighborhood for traces of the bearded highwayman. The blood soaked auto in which he had carried his wife's body was pressed into service and Beattie himself ran the gruesome vehicle up and down the Midlothian Turnpike through the night.

Just as dawn broke on July 19, Luther L. Sherer, Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad detective, brought into the case by the girl's family reached the scene of the crime with a brace of bloodhounds. Then the suspicion of Beattie himself took root. The bloodhounds circled wide about the place through woods and fields, but baying loudly they invariably returned to the spot, where Beattie declared his auto stood when his wife was shot. A short time later a negro "mammy" found a single-barreled shotgun, identified by Beattie as the gun with which his wife was killed, at a railroad crossing about half way between the scene of the crime and the Owen home.

Beattie in his stories of the killing of his wife told widely differing tales. He was particularly contradictory in his description of the man whom he accused of the shooting. For three days detectives worked with all their energy without definite result, but gathering a mass of circumstances that seemed to point to Beattie. The history of the young son of the wealthy merchant, as a Lothario of South Richmond, and his relations with the beautiful seventeen year old Beulah Binford, were discovered. The detectives unearthed the story of Henry Clay Beattie Trout, the child born to Beulah Binford and Henry Clay Beattie in 1909.

Meanwhile the body of the murdered girl-wife was buried from the church where a short year before she had been married to Henry Clay Beattie.

On the Friday following, Coroner Loving began the inquest into the death of Mrs. Beattie. On the stand, Beattie, under instructions from his lawyer, Harry M. Smith Jr., declined to answer questions.

Rev. Fix today denied an alleged interview of the senior Beattie, in which he was reported to have stated:

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