

TESTIMONY ON RAID OF HALL IS CONFLICTING

Defendants in Centralia Murder Trial, on Stand, Disagree Over Whereabouts of Paraders When Gunfire Opened.

SHOOTING IS LAID UPON EVERST, I. W. W. LYNCHED

Judge Wilson Curtly Upbraids Defense Attorney Vanderveer for Frequent Attempts to Argue With Court.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—The testimony of Dr. Rickford, supposed star witness for the defense, this afternoon corroborated the prosecution's contention that Grimm was murdered 100 feet from the I. W. W. hall. Rickford testified that he ran up to the hall when he saw commotion among the soldiers in front of the hall. Just before he got to the hall he looked back.

"Where was Grimm at that time?" Prosecutor Abel asked.

"Why, up ahead of my platoon," the witness said. The testimony was highly dramatic, acting as a boom-boost for the defense.

MONTERANO, March 1.—Conflicting testimony regarding the question of whether soldiers smashed in the doors and windows of the I. W. W. hall before the shooting occurred on Armistice day, was given today by two defendants in the Centralia murder trial. Mike Sheehan, who was in the hall, said the soldiers were 14 or 16 feet away when the first shots were fired by Wesley Everest, James McNamara, another defendant, testified that the doors and windows were smashed in and this was followed by shooting.

Defense Attorney Vanderveer changed his tactics, abandoning at least temporarily—efforts to introduce testimony regarding alleged threats to drive the I. W. W. out of Centralia. Evidence of this character, the court ruled, must be preceded by showing that Warren Grimm was a party to the alleged raid of the hall.

Dodge Responsibility.

Responsibility for the shooting and circumstances of armed resistance was laid to the defense by the testimony of Sheehan. He said Everest, who was later lynched, could not have missed hitting the soldiers in front of the hall. He contended that "three shots was the limit fired from the hall."

Through the testimony of Sheehan and McNamara, Vanderveer attempted to impeach sworn statements of Tom Morgan, the prosecution's star witness, who was one of the men captured in the hall after the shooting.

Shooting Described.

Morgan and Sheehan were sitting by a stove in the hall when the parade went by, Sheehan said. He had been reading a book and had just got up to get a newspaper when he heard a crash at the front of the hall. Fifteen or twenty soldiers were in front of the building in the street, he said.

Judge Wilson severely upbraided Vanderveer for his frequent attempts to argue with the court after rulings were made. After ordering the defense attorney "for the last time" that his attempts to argue matters after rulings were made would be followed by steps to uphold the dignity of this court.

PENDLETON POST WILL BRING ENTERTAINERS

As a musical treat to the Pendleton public, Pendleton Post, American Legion, will present the Hollowell Concert Company in Happy Canyon on Tuesday evening, March 23. The company consists of 11 members and they present a two hour program of both instrumental and vocal music, followed by dancing.

The Hollowell company has been touring the west and northwest giving concerts exclusively under posts direction. They recently played in La Grande, Baker and Enterprise to capacity crowds and would have been engaged for Pendleton Saturday night had not the legion scheduled its smoker at that time. Their visit here will be a stopover on their return to Chicago.

Plans will be laid tonight at the meeting of Pendleton Post for selling tickets to the entertainment and dance which will follow. The committee in charge plans to make the event one of the smartest of the winter season in Pendleton.

Speaks for New World Move

Four cars of members of the Baptist church here went to Helix Sunday evening in the interests of the New World Movement fostered by the church. Among those who spoke were Guy H. Johnson, Arthur Ridd and Mr. Morris.

MURDERED MAN'S BROTHER IS DEAD, BANDIT'S VICTIM

John Frazer Succumbs to Wounds Inflicted by Outlaws Who Cross Border Holding up Arizona Post Office.

POSSE'S SEARCH FUTILE; GOVERNMENT TO PROTEST

American Mining Superintendent is Killed by Clerk in Office and Force Employed is Largely Mexican.

NOGALES, Ariz., March 1.—John Frazer died today as a result of wounds inflicted by Mexican bandits who killed his brother, Alexander Frazer, during a holdup of the Nogaes, Ariz., postoffice. It is reported a detachment of cavalry was sent across the border to search for the bandits who fled into Mexico.

Posse Seizes Border.

NOGALES, March 1.—A posse, sent out Saturday to search for two Mexicans who killed the Nogaes, Ariz., postoffice, killing Postmaster Alexander Frazer and seriously wounding his brother, John Frazer, returned to Nogales last night after a fruitless search across the Mexican border.

Will Call for Action.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The state department is preparing to call upon the Mexican government for action against the murderers of Alexander Frazer, American citizen, during a raid by Mexican bandits in Arizona near the border Friday.

Another American Killed.

LAREDO, March 1.—A. A. Corcoran, American mining superintendent, was killed by one of the office clerks at the company's headquarters in Laredo, near Mexico City, Saturday, according to a message received here today. The office force is largely Mexican.

150 FARMERS DISCUSS POTATO, GRAIN CROPS

A change in the rotation system for potato crops and a revision of the system used in federal grading of grain were advocated at the Potato and Grain Production and Marketing school held Friday and Saturday in Weston, with 150 farmers present.

Weston farmers have been rotating grain and potatoes, according to facts brought out at the school, instead of growing legumes which add needed elements to the soil. Professor G. R. Bishop, professor of farm economy at O. C., told the farmers that potatoes should be repeated in the same soil only once in every three or four years. He said that grain used as a rotation crop does not add to the soil. Treatment of seed potatoes to prevent diseases was also urged by Professor Bishop.

Will Inspect Fields.

Arrangements were made for the inspection of the potato fields by the state certification board. Such service is given free of charge if the potatoes are in the field but if they are in bins the farmers must pay the cost of inspection. The plans for the inspection will be made through the Farm Bureau.

Weston farmers at the school contended that the present federal grading which places all White Chub wheat in one class is unfair. They want a sub-class at the bottom of the buyers base prices on the poorest grade in the class, which, they contend, is made up of different grades.

Object to Pound Test.

Another cause for complaint, say Weston farmers, is the 35 pound test weight for Red Walla wheat. They say that 20 per cent of the wheat tests 30 pounds instead of 35 and say they receive a No. 2 price for No. 1 wheat. These matters will be presented at the hearings on federal grading before the Bureau of Markets.

The question of the continuation of the government guarantee was presented by W. W. Harrah.

A lunch was served each day by the ladies of the Methodist church. Slim J. Chiley, J. M. Rannister, George Stages and E. L. Wood, members of a committee in charge of the school, deserve much credit for its success, says Fred Pennington county agent, who attended the affair.

Results to Post Number 161.

Pendleton Post, American Legion, had 161 additions to its membership during the week ending February 28, according to report today from James R. Bowler, secretary. There are now 265 men active in the post.

Starting Additions to Store.

Carpenters today began alterations to the room formerly occupied by Con Dugan's restaurant at the corner of East Webb and cottonwood streets which will be used by Crutcher & Hampton, furniture dealers. They have recently completed the installation of a plate glass front to the present store and when the new room is completed they will have doubled their floor space.

FANNIE BRICE PLAYS AS COPS HUNT MATE



Fannie Brice, "queen of the midnight frolics," whose husband, "Nicky Arnstein," is alleged to have conceived the plot for the theft of \$50,000 worth of bonds from Wall street brokers and bankers. While detectives search for Arnstein, his wife keeps on "performing" in the hope that they would get out and set the hand brakes. None of the knights of the road had enough railroad experience to perform this simple feat, however, and the car continued to leap the rails.

RETURN OF ROADS FINDS NEW ENGLAND FACING WORSE TRANSPORTATION CRISIS

P. H. S. ORATORS WILL CONTEST ON MARCH 12 IN TRIANGLE DEBATE

March 12 is the date set for the first district debate in which the Pendleton high school team will take part. J. O. Russell, director of the Umatilla Debate District, has placed Milton Echo and Pendleton in a triangle. Echo's negative meets Pendleton's affirmative at Pendleton. Pendleton's negative meets Milton's affirmative at Milton, and Milton's negative meets Echo's affirmative at Echo.

The fact that Echo has two victories to her credit gives the Echo team the advantage of experience. Milton and Pendleton have each gained the right to a place in the triangle by default. The contest promises to be hard fought as all three teams are reported to be in good shape.

The winner in this contest will debate the Morrow county winner on week later, March 19. The final date to determine the district championship is said to come only one week later than originally intended. As the district winner sends a team to Eugene to contest for state championship this debate promises to be interesting.

Pendleton high school will be represented in the debate by the following students: Negative team, Lloyd Austin and Mary Clark; affirmative team, Arthur Hall and Norbette Berkley, Jr.

PERMANENT CLUB FOR WOOD TO BE FORMED

A permanent Wood club will be formed here within the next few days, according to A. A. Brown, temporary chairman of the Wood club. A representative of the Wood club, state campaign manager, has been solicited with application cards and other paraphernalia necessary for the organization.

The permanent organization will take the form of a mass meeting at which there will be a speaker from the state committee. General Wood himself is scheduled to appear here late in March and Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., is in the interests of the club in April.

PASTOR IS SUED FOR STEALING AFFECTIONS

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—Selection of a jury to try the \$50,000 suit of William Shepherd, former theatrical manager, against Rev. John Pender, was begun today. Shepherd charges that Pender stole the love of Mrs. Shepherd. The minister could not deny the charge of infidelity. He recently was pastor of Central Methodist Episcopal church of San Francisco, and Mrs. Shepherd acted as his secretary.

Retires from Cheney.

Mrs. E. E. Cheney has returned from a trip to Cheney, Washington, where she was called by the death of George Ford. Mrs. Cheney was the principal instructor in music at the Cheney Normal School.

Misses Return.

Misses Florence H. Smith, county health nurse, has returned after a two months leave of absence spent in Seattle. Miss Smith announces that she will continue the work of examining Umatilla county school children.

BILL WAS TICKLED ABOUT TWINS SO HE TELLS WORLD IN AD

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 1.—W. H. Barn Owl was so tickled when his wife presented him with twins that he inserted an ad in newspapers telling the world all about it.

PASSENGER COACH TAKES WILD DASH DOWN STEEP GRADE

Car, Being Switched, Breaks Loose and Out-Races Pursuing Engine; Half Dozen Occupants Unhurt in Crash.

AVENATCHE, Wash., March 1.—A stunt that would have done credit to any of the moving picture serial thrillers was pulled off on the Douglas-Waterloo railroad last evening. The passenger coach of the Waterloo stub was being switched over to a siding at the Waterloo station when a broke horse and started back down the grade toward Douglas, five miles away. Half a dozen traveling men were in the coach and they did not notice that anything was wrong until the car had a good headway.

The engine, fireman, and brakemen were on the engine and when they saw what was happening they started back down the road in pursuit of the runaway car. But they were unable to catch it.

Blowing the whistle furiously and shaking the bell they attempted to catch the attention of the passengers in the hope that they would get out and set the hand brakes. None of the knights of the road had enough railroad experience to perform this simple feat, however, and the car continued to leap the rails.

Finally it struck the grade before the Douglas station was reached, crashed into that building at a speed estimated at 50 miles an hour.

None of the occupants of the car was even injured, aside from a severe shaking up caused by the impact between the moving car and the station building. The trucks of the car were not seriously injured and the engine was able to pick up and pull it back up the hill to Waterloo with all the passengers aboard, suffering from nothing more than a shock to their nervous system.

Wet Forces Mobilize for Concerted Blow.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—Spurred on by what they believe is a reaction against prohibition in various parts of the country, liquor interests are preparing to make a concerted legal attack in the supreme court against every important part of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead law enforcing it.

Only three cases are now before court. One is the original bill of complaint of the state of Rhode Island challenging the validity of both the amendment and Volstead law, directing that it cannot be enforced in Rhode Island because the state did not ratify the amendment.

FRENCH LABOR BLOCKS SYMPATHY STRIKE AND AIRPLANES SERVE IN NATION'S CONFLICT WITH ROADS

Government Fear of Serious Food Shortage Subsidies With Assurance of Distribution Decision of Federation Against General Walkout, and Mobilization of Strikers.

WOMAN FIREBUG IS SENT TO PRISON WITHIN 12 HOURS

Former Salvation Army Captain Confesses She Became Desperate in Want of Money to Aid Invalid Husband.

SPOKANE, March 1.—Martha Holman, a former Salvation Army captain in Montana, was sent to the penitentiary by Judge Hunkle Saturday after she had confessed she had become desperate when she needed money to aid her invalid husband and set fire to her lodging house at 8215 Stevens street. She was sentenced to serve from five to 10 years for first degree arson within 12 hours after the crime was committed.

Mrs. Holman admitted to Prosecutor Lindsey that she had insured the place for \$1000. Her husband, who has diabetes, was taken to a hospital after the house was found on fire early Saturday morning. Fire officials complained to the prosecutor after an investigation.

Prosecutor Lindsey told Judge Hunkle that there were nine people in the lodging house including the invalid husband. Holes filled with oil-soaked rags were found in different places by the firemen.

J. A. Holman, who married Mrs. Holman when she was a Salvation Army captain five years ago, was a watchman and special deputy sheriff at the smelter at Antaconda until Mrs. Holman caused him to come here. Mrs. Holman admitted that she could not see her way to get money except by burning the lodging house which she purchased a year ago.

"I wish to assume all responsibility," was the only explanation she offered the court. She previously had told Prosecutor Lindsey that her husband knew nothing of her plan to commit arson.

PROJECT TOWN WILL DEDICATE SCHOOL

Boardman, one of the progressive towns of the Umatilla project, will dedicate its new community school on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The morning and afternoon programs will begin at 9 a. m. and 1:30 p. m., respectively, and will be devoted to lectures and demonstrations by specialists in farm crops, dairying, irrigation and home economics, from O. A. C.

An "Oregon Products" dinner is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. A. G. Clark, manager of the Associated Industries of Oregon, will be present and will have 25 prizes for which the ladies present will draw. Every lady is to receive a souvenir.

Trucks will run as usual, according to announcement made by Melvin Signs, superintendent of the school, who is in charge of the dedication program. A general invitation has been issued and guests have been told to bring lunches and stay all day, sandwiches and coffee are to be served each day by the Parent-Teachers' Association at the noon recess.

OFFICERS OF FLEET TO REPLY TO INDICTMENT

SEATTLE, Wash., March 1.—Captain John F. Blain, formerly manager of the North Pacific district of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, will appear in federal court here today to enter a plea to the indictment which was recently returned against him by a federal grand jury here.

Blain was indicted on a charge of having accepted secret commissions from the Stewart Davis and Equipment company of New York while he was head of the government fleet corporation in this district.

ASK MILLION FOR RUIN INFLECTED BY FLOCKS

RAIKER, March 1.—Claims aggregating \$1,500,000 have been filed in the office of the Baker county clerk by Mrs. Clara R. Braasch and 12 other owners of land near Home, Ore., against the estate of O. Orson Moody and against Shropshire Brothers, sheep raisers, alleging damage to their property inflicted by sheep belonging to the stockraisers. The claimants ask \$1,200,000 from the Moody estate and \$300,000 from the Shropshire Brothers. The land is composed of plant tone claims upon which lime, gypsum and marble are said to exist. The land owners say that the running of sheep upon their property has destroyed roads and trails.

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THE WEATHER FORECAST

The Weather
From the report of Major Lee Morrison, weather observer.
Maximum, 41.
Minimum, 23.
Barometer, 29.50.
Tonight and Tuesday fair.