

EVIDENCE GIVEN BY NORTHCOTT

Alleged Murderer Takes Stand in Own Defense; Mother is Called

COURT ROOM, Riverside, Cal., Jan. 31.—(AP)—"I'll admit anything I did in due course," Gordon Stewart Northcott informed Judge George R. Freeman today when the court questioned an attempt of the young Canadian to show "motives and mitigating circumstances" for slaying alleged to have been committed at his Winerville ranch.

Northcott took the witness chair early in the day, after he angrily had withdrawn Sarah Louisa Northcott from the stand when court rulings prevented his obtaining the testimony he desired from her. He intimated he would attempt to place blame for the murders upon, or at least implicate, his father, "and others."

Animosity Shown

"I hate him!" he cried, referring to 61-year-old Cyrus Northcott. "I hate him now, more than anyone else in the world!" Cyrus yesterday and the day before, on the stand as a defense witness, attempted to repudiate previous statements, in an apparent effort to aid his son.

In his testimony this afternoon, Northcott having obtained an admission earlier in the day from Mrs. Northcott that she is not his mother, but his grandmother, essayed to testify personell to the family relationship. He was halted by objections of prosecution attorneys.

Sordid Details Told

Northcott changed the line of testimony somewhat and later dwelt at considerable length on alleged sordid family matters.

The accused slayer of young boys spent much of his day on the stand fulminating against alleged police methods used in questioning him. He described the trip on the train from Canada, after his extradition, and two trips by automobile into the desert in search of alleged graves. Northcott asserted that he was given neither water nor sufficient covering during a night spent at the Seattle, Wash., police station, that he was not allowed to sleep the first night on the train, and that he was subjected to "physical violence" during long periods of questioning.

Claims He Was Struck

He charged that he had been "hit on the head" by Captain William Bright of the Los Angeles county homicide squad on one of the desert trips. "I thought I was dead right there," he asserted, detailing one of his infrequent glimpses at the jury.

Previous testimony, given by sheriff's deputies, had been that Northcott along with the deputy to whom he was handcuffed, had struck the top of a car when the automobile hit a rat in the road.

Mrs. Northcott's appearance on and removal from the stand was dramatic. She spent the better part of an hour in the witness chair, but said little that went into the records. Her voice, at a whisper when she admitted she was not the defendant's mother, rose to high pitched vehemence as she attempted to inject herself into argument between Northcott and prosecution attorneys regarding admissibility of her testimony.

Northcott attempted to obtain testimony from her regarding the Collins murder, for which she is serving a life sentence in San Quentin prison. He flew into a rage and tossed papers about the court table violently when the court ruled the testimony out, as immaterial in the present trial.

FACTS AND GOSSIP

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Members of the Multnomah delegation were guests of the W. C. T. U. at lunch Thursday. The invitation was made public by Representative Henderson of Multnomah. All present reported an enjoyable time and a real home "feed."

For a change, Representative Briggs of Jackson moved adjournment of the afternoon session Thursday, a task usually taken over by Representative Loneragan of Multnomah.

Monday, at 4 p. m. the last of the home must be if they are to be introduced without special formalities. It was announced by Speaker Hamilton. The time was extended from Friday since the session on this day will probably be short and very busy.

All members of the Elks order who are attending the legislative session were guests of Salem lodge at Thursday night's meeting.

2 LOVERS FACE ALL HOPE GONE

Preparations for hanging all completed; slayers say farewells

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only avenue to save them and he promptly announced that he had reviewed the case thoroughly and did not intend to take further action.

Thus it appeared tonight that the woman and physician who already received three reprieves, were doomed to die tomorrow between noon and 3 p. m., the time set for the execution.

When informed here today that there was no further hope, Mrs. Lebouff, the first white woman ever to face the gallows in Louisiana and Dr. Dreher, her old family physician, burst into tears.

All preparations for the hanging had been completed tonight. A hangman will be brought here from New Orleans to perform the executions and the ropes have been obtained and tested.

Woman First in Grim Ruling of Gallows

Mrs. Lebouff is scheduled to die first, followed by Dr. Dreher. The physician is the father of two daughters and a son and Mrs. Lebouff is the mother of three sons and a daughter. They will not be permitted to see the prisoners tomorrow.

Lying on their cots tonight in the gloom of their steel cages, weeping silently, Mrs. Lebouff and Dr. Dreher turned to their spiritual advisers.

They spent the afternoon in prayer and later received members of their families.

Mrs. Dreher, with her two pretty daughters, came to jail shaken and wan, but vainly attempting to hide her sorrow and shame from the public eye. She is loyal to the last to the man who was accused by the murdered man of wrecking his home.

Earlier Mrs. Lebouff's sons called and collapsed in their mother's arms. The woman, ill from ravages of a tumor and strain, forgot her plight and sought to comfort her distressed children.

Little Liberty Lebouff, the 9-year-old daughter of the condemned woman, came with her brothers and clung to her mother terrified. The mother showered her with kisses and talked "baby talk" to the little girl.

18 MEASURES ARE PASSED BY SENATE

Four senate bills and fourteen house measures were passed in the senate Thursday as follows:

S. B. 40, by Bell—To amend section 4292, Oregon Laws, relating to board of equalization and how constituted.

S. B. 48, by Moser—To amend section 922, Oregon Laws, as amended by chapter 295, General Laws of Oregon, 1927, relating to pilotage on the Columbia and Willamette rivers.

S. B. 45, by Marks—To amend section 1278, Oregon Laws, relating to authority of executor or administrator to borrow money and execute mortgages on property of estate.

S. B. 24, by Kuck—To amend sections 972 and 9703, Oregon Laws, relating to meeting places for military organizations.

S. B. 36, by Norton and Knapp—Authorizing county courts to keep, maintain, build, operate or contract for furnishing of public ferries and authorizing expenditure of money therefor from county general road fund.

H. B. 61, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 9493 to 9701, inclusive, Oregon Laws, relating to Indian war veterans.

H. B. 83, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—Repealing section 3248, Oregon Laws, relating to paying of audit of county books.

H. B. 97, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—Repealing chapter 20, General Laws of Oregon, 1921, relating to preliminary survey of Columbia river bridge.

H. B. 62, Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 9706 to 9708, inclusive, Oregon Laws, relating to medals for men who served on Mexican border.

H. B. 27, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 2928 to 2934, inclusive, Oregon Laws, relating to location of Eastern Oregon state hospital.

H. B. 56, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal section 7656 to 7694, inclusive, Oregon Laws, relating to mill races and mills.

H. B. 110, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—Repealing chapter 140, General Laws of Oregon, relating to nonresident alien.

H. B. 249, by LaPollette—Compelling all manufacturers of economic poison used for spray purposes to place on container date of manufacture.

H. B. 81, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—Repealing section 3503, Oregon Laws, relating to Lake county.

H. B. 96, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—Repealing chapter 19, General Laws of Oregon, 1921, relating to Washington county compensating Francis Willard Taylor.

H. B. 80, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 2592, Oregon Laws, relating to Hood River county.

H. B. 54, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal section 7060, Oregon Laws, relating to eminent domain.

H. B. 16, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 1047 to 1056, inclusive, Oregon Laws relating to jail liberties.

H. B. 59, by Carkin, Hamilton and J. O. Bailey—To repeal sections 3290 to 3293, inclusive, relating to Indiana.

EMERGENCY BOARD SCORED BY UPTON

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the county judges and commissioners. The equalization board is now composed of the county judges, county clerks and county assessors.

Consideration Delay Plan Loses Out

This bill was opposed by Senator Edward Bailey of Lane county, who charged that its passage would be a slap at the Lane county assessor. He said the proposed law did not provide that the assessor shall be called before the board of equalization, and that there was no provision for appeal of assessments to the circuit court.

Senator Upton and other commissioners, however, contended that the proposed law would result in more equitable assessments and that considerable assessments would be added to the tax rolls. Senator Klepper attempted to delay consideration of the bill, but was unsuccessful.

A bill introduced by Senator Joe Dunne providing that the membership of the state industrial accident commission should be increased by adding a woman member and the state insurance commissioner, was indefinitely postponed.

Senator Dunne said his purpose in introducing the bill was to humanize the accident commission. He charged that the are 3000 cases in Oregon, which have not received adequate attention of the commission.

The senate sustained Governor Patterson's veto of a bill passed at the 1927 legislative session, standardizing the salaries of non-elective officers in Multnomah county. Senator Moser explained that this legislation had been cared for in another bill approved at the 1927 session. The bill was introduced by Senator Joseph.

A bill introduced by Senator Moser increasing the annual license fee of pilots from \$30 to \$50 also was approved. The bill increases slightly the salaries of the pilot commissioners.

Senator Hall's resolution for a joint conference between legislative committees of the states of Oregon, Washington and California with relation to uniform motor vehicle legislation, was adopted. The conference probably will be held in Salem.

The senate indefinitely postponed a bill introduced by the Multnomah county delegation relating to agreements required by law to be in writing. A bill by Senator Bennett relating to the registration of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers was tabled.

Senator Upton and Representative Wells introduced a resolution submitting to the voters a constitutional amendment pledging the credit of the state in aid of any bond or note to exceed three per cent based on the assessed property valuations, for creating a fund to be loaned to persons who served in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States government, or women employed in the war department who served in the signal corps of the army or marine corps of the United States in the Spanish-American war, Philippine reconstruction, Boxer or world war. It would be known as the Soldiers Loan fund.

A telegram from Senator Frederick Stelzer that he would support the legislative memorial urging an increased tariff on cherries imported into the United States was read.

Seaman Is Sent Ashore In Safety

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Paul Anderson, 40, seaman aboard the steamer Hardwood en route from Aberdeen, Wash., to San Francisco, was taken off the vessel today by the coast guard and placed in a hospital here. Anderson's feet were frozen. Despite heavy seas the transfer was made safely.

KIDDIES MISSED A CHANCE TO SHOUT FOR HOLIDAY BILL

If the house of representatives were connected up by wireless with the hundreds of schools in Oregon a long and joyous shout would have gone up Thursday morning, for H. B. 195, which would have abolished Washington's birthday as a school holiday, went down to defeat.

Washington's birthday is a legal holiday in just about every state in the union. It was pointed out and it would be an injustice to the children to compel them to go to school on this day, it was stated. Also, said many, this day should be dedicated to the "father of our country," and hence should not be given over to work.

The bill was vigorously opposed by the Oregon chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It was stated, as well as other societies and individuals. The vote was decisive and will hold the efficiency experts at bay for at least another two years.

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COLD SNAP OVER; DANGER IS SLIGHT

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checked for a week and has nearly leveled smaller towns, is apparently on its death bed.

The warmer temperatures will be brought in by fresh to strong south and southeast winds which will at times reach gale proportions on the coast, weather observers said.

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—

Rain and rising temperatures to herald the predicted break in the cold wave which has gripped Oregon the past four days.

After a day of low temperature, necessary in the United States, these bureau's thermometer began rising late this afternoon, registering shortly after midnight, 25 degrees above. The lowest temperature of the day was 18 degrees above, hit during the early morning hours.

The Columbia highway to the coast was blocked for a short time today, but crews opened it later. In eastern Oregon the Old Oregon trail and other highways were closed to travel following a night of high winds which swept the snow into great drifts.

In the Camas Prairie section, south of Pendleton, Ore., residents were facing a food shortage because of inability of motor trucks to navigate the highways. The nearest railroad point is Pendleton, but food-laden automobiles were backing drifts tonight toward that section.

Southern and central Oregon reported rising temperatures. Eugene, Ore., averted a "silver thaw" when milder weather set in early today, accompanied by rain. Wires and streets were ice-coated.

Astoria, Ore., reported early today a facing a "silver thaw" tonight reported milder weather with snow swiftly disappearing as a warm rain fell.

Between La Grande and Baker, winds had effectively blocked roads, but country people turned to hobbielids and safely went to towns for supplies. State highway plows were heading Union, Ore., while the town of Cove, near La Grande, was cut off by snowdrifts.

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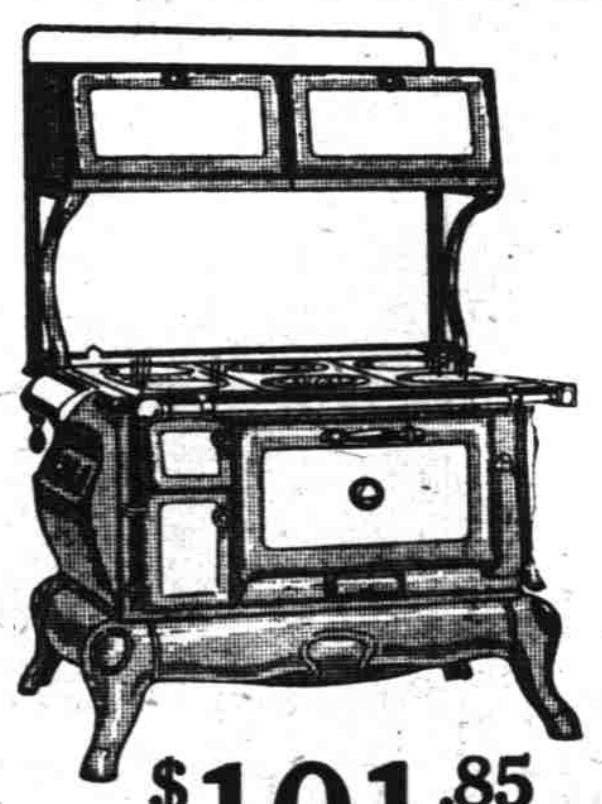
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