

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Tonight and Sunday probably rain west, moderate westerly winds. Local - Rainfall .14 inch; river, 3.3 feet, falling.

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Love Affair May Explain Steiger Case

Love for Mrs. Steiger, wife of T. W. Steiger, who was shot three times and seriously wounded while in the barn on his farm a mile north of this city Thursday night, and his desire to get her husband out of the way, today was advanced by authorities as a motive for the shooting that is attributed to Jesse Mullinix, 40, now in the county jail under a charge of assault with intent to kill.

Knowledge that Mrs. Steiger would be the sole heir to a large estate her husband would leave in case of death, and that if he successfully wooed her he would get it, is another theory that was being worked upon today by Prosecuting Attorney Max Gehlhar.

Mullinix was formally charged with the crime last evening. He probably will be arraigned in court late this afternoon, Mr. Gehlhar said. The arraignment has been delayed, it was stated, to enable deputies from the sheriff's office to gather further evidence on the case.

Steiger Confesses. Reluctantly Mr. Steiger, who is confined at the Salem hospital, told Mr. Gehlhar and Sheriff Needham yesterday afternoon that he did quarrel with Mullinix while he was employed on his farm in August, 1918, and that he ordered him from the premises after Mullinix had paid undue attention to Mrs. Steiger. Steiger admitted that he did not believe that Mullinix would get revenge thought to have been sought when they disagreed on how horses on the farm should be cared for.

Investigation made by Deputies Fowler and Smith on the Steiger farm yesterday resulted in the finding of five empty pistol cartridges, from which authorities aver, the bullets which entered Steiger's body came. They were found lying together about ten paces from where the shooting occurred.

Shut at Barn Door. It developed today that the shooting did not occur in the barnyard where Mr. Steiger was en route to the house, but that it occurred at the entrance of the barn.

It is the belief of Prosecuting Attorney Gehlhar that whoever committed the crime had intimate knowledge of Mr. Steiger's habits. For, according to Steiger's story as told yesterday at the hospital, his assailant reached through the door, that was ajar not more than a foot and a half, and fired just as he came through with the milk buckets. Steiger said that he struck at the man with his lantern, then grappled with him. When his strength ebbed the fellow broke away and ran. He is believed to have emptied the shells from the revolver as he ran, and thrown the weapon into a moat nearby. Authorities have thus far been unable to find the revolver.

Neighbors Silent. Although declining to discuss the matter with officials, neighbors near the Steiger farm persist in stories that Mullinix had made clandestine visits to the Steiger home recently and that they saw him with Mrs. Steiger. They say there can be no doubt that Mullinix and Mrs. Steiger enjoyed intimate acquaintance.

Prosecuting Attorney Gehlhar recalled today that about two years ago he was on the point of filing a charge of perjury against Mullinix when he testified in a criminal case in one of the local courts. He claims that the prisoner, who testified as a witness in the case at that time, made misrepresentations of time in an attempt to establish an alibi for a friend. For this reason, Mr. Gehlhar said today, he is inclined to disbelieve Mullinix's statement that he was playing pool in a billiard hall down town when the shooting occurred at 8 o'clock.

It was reported from the Salem hospital at noon that Mr. Steiger's condition is "good," and that every hope for his recovery is held out.

Prediction For Week Says Rain For Coast

Washington, Mar. 27.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are: Northern Rocky Mountain and plateau regions. Occasional rains or snows with night temperatures averaging below normal. Pacific states: Frequent rains in north portion; generally fair south portion. Temperatures nearly normal.

Only three men are listed as "missing in action" in the A. E. F. during the world war.

Hoover Advocates Full Publicity For Expenses

Washington, Mar. 27.—Herbert Hoover replied today to the inquiry as to campaign expenditures addressed to presidential possibilities by Labor, the railroad union's weekly, by saying that "as I have no campaign, I have no financial arrangement." He reiterated his statement of March 5 that he was not a candidate for the nomination to the presidency and was not seeking public office.

Piece Work Jobs Subject To 10-Hour Day Says Brown

The state law of 1913 providing for a work day of ten hours with an extra three hours of overtime to be paid for at the rate of time and one-half, applies to employees engaged in piece work as well as to those employed by the day, according to Attorney General Brown. The opinion is written in reply to a question raised by Thomas McCusker of Portland, secretary-manager of the industrial association of Oregon.

"The law plainly provides that no person shall be employed in any mill, factory or manufacturing establishment in this state for more than ten hours in any one day," Brown's opinion reads. "It makes no exception for men working on piece work. Wages include the laborer who works by the piece as well as the man who works at a given sum per day."

Allies Discover Huge Stores of Arms In Germany

Paris, March 27.—Great quantities of arms have been discovered in Germany by the allied officers charged with supervising execution of the peace treaty, according to advices received here. In Brandenburg and in the immediate vicinity of Berlin alone 3,500 three-inch field guns were found.

This discovery by the allied officers, together with other information in possession of the French authorities, is considered by French officials to indicate that Germany is endeavoring to avoid executing the terms of the treaty.

The discovery is commented upon in connection with reports that a republic has been proclaimed in the Ruhr region. The French, it is indicated, are inclined to believe that occupation of the Ruhr district by German troops or the alleged separate government would have as an ultimate effect, if not as a direct object, delay or evasion in executing the treaty terms.

Particular significance is attached here to the discovery of so many field guns in a small part of Germany, in view of the fact that the Germans, replying to the demands of the commission of control to which Germany's excess war material and munitions should have been delivered March 19, declared it was immaterial whether the munitions were delivered to the allies or destroyed and they were destroying them.

Petitions Ready To Poll Attitude On Port Question

Petitions calling for a special election when the question of whether a proposed district shall be bonded to create a Port of Salem and construct a huge dock and warehouse on the water front here, will begin circulation about next Tuesday, it was stated at the Commercial club today. The petitions have already been prepared, and would have been started before this were it not for the illness of one of the men who was delegated to carry the petition to rural districts.

If eight per cent of the voters in the proposed district sign the petition for the election, the county court then is called upon to set the date for the election not more than 60 days after date of filing the signed petitions.

As from 15 to 20 persons will be engaged in circulating the petitions it is expected that the gathering of signatures for them will take only a few days.

Salem Deposits Second Only to Portland Banks

Salem continues to hold her place as the second city in the state in the matter of bank deposits, being outrivaled only by Portland, according to a statement issued today by W. H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks. Deposits in the four banks of Salem totaled \$5,542,467.79, the statement shows. Astoria with five banks and deposits aggregating \$7,623,599.86 has nosed Portland out of third position in the list and is now Salem's nearest rival for first honors.

Lebanon appears for the first time on the list as a million dollar city, while Dallas Enterprise and Yale which were on the last list failed to qualify for a place this time. Thirty-three cities with 116 banks and deposits aggregating \$28,994,947.09 are on the new honor list.

Argentine Strike Is Extended Today

Rio Janeiro, Mar. 26.—Ranks of striking workmen were swelled today when waiters, cooks and other hotel and restaurant employees walked out. All restaurants are closed. Troops have been stationed at strategic points about the city and there have been no serious disorders. Government officials declare the strike is the work of foreign radicals.

Odessa Falls As Bolshevik Launch Drive

Paris, Mar. 27.—Odessa, the great Russian port on the Black sea has been occupied by Ukrainians under General Pawlenko, commander of the Ukrainian national army, according to information received by the Ukrainian mission in Paris today.

London, Mar. 27.—Novorossisk, the last base in southern Russia under control of General Denikin, has been captured by the Russian bolsheviks, according to a wireless dispatch from Moscow.

Warsaw, Mar. 25.—Russian soviet forces, swinging south of the Pripiet marsh country between Moxir and Pinsk and attacking Polish lines at various points over a front of approximately 250 miles, have captured several towns along the Stutch river. It was admitted in official statements issued by Polish army headquarters here. The enemy, however, has been unable to cross the river, despite persistent efforts.

Polish Repulse Attack. Bolsheviki attacks Wednesday were chiefly directed toward the village of Olevisk. Infantry and cavalry were launched at the Polish lines under heavy artillery fire while soviet airplanes bombed strategic points along the front.

In the neighborhood of Zaslavl the Poles virtually annihilated a soviet brigade, among the killed being a bolshevik colonel. On his person were found orders directing that Zaslavl be taken regardless of the cost. The town is still in Polish hands.

Polish Capital Moved. London, Mar. 27.—The Polish government was removed Thursday from Warsaw to Bromberg in Polish Posen, twenty five miles northwest of Thorn, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company quoting rumors in that city.

A staff correspondent of the Associated Press stationed at Warsaw, filed a dispatch from that city Thursday which contained no hint of any intention on the part of the Polish government to leave Warsaw, nor were there indications in the military news contained in the correspondent's messages of any reason why it should feel impelled to make such a move at this juncture.

Plans Burn Town. Christiania, Norway, Mar. 27.—Finnish forces at Patchenka, in the Murmansk region, burned the monastery and several other buildings there before abandoning the place to the Russian bolsheviks, according to travelers arriving at Tromsø. Occupation of the place by soviet troops occurred March 22.

Highway Board Asks \$1,000,000 To Match Fund

In order to meet federal aid now available for forest and post road projects in Oregon the state highway commission has asked the state board of control to issue \$2,500,000 of state highway bonds, a block of \$1,000,000 to be sold immediately and the balance to be sold as needed.

Federal aid so far available in Oregon totals \$3,700,000, of which amount \$1,200,000 has already been matched leaving \$2,500,000 still available. It is expected that further federal money will be available for this state after July 1. Under the act of 1920 the state highway department is permitted at the discretion of the state board of control to match federal money for road improvements in any amount.

Sunday Schools To Hold Convention Here This Week

Salem Sunday school workers are looking forward to a time of unusual interest next Sunday when the Hayesville district Sunday schools will hold their convention at Jason Lee Memorial church.

The program for next Sunday begins at 9:45 a. m. and many local and other Sunday school workers will appear on the program.

At noon luncheon will be served in the church basement to which all will be welcome who will bring a basket with a contribution to the table.

There will be an address by Rev. H. F. Humbert, general secretary of the Oregon Sunday School association, solos by Grace Fawc, Mabel Marcus and Gertrude Aldrich. Other names on the program are Rev. Thomas Acheson, pastor of Jason Lee church; Luther Cook, Florence Frazier, C. E. Hagemann, C. M. Roberts, Mrs. L. L. Lee, Rev. William Roberts.

Hill Asks Until Monday To Make Plea To Charge

Jasper Hill, alias C. H. Hill alias Jack Gillmore, whom authorities say has confessed to the theft of a watch and \$2 from Cecil H. Croson, asked time to plead when arraigned before Judge Urah this morning, and was given until 10:30 a. m. Monday. Hill is charged with larceny from a building. He is said to have taken the watch and cash from Croson's room in the Rex hotel. He was arrested by Sheriff Needham.

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Eyerly Brothers Drop Fight and Are Taken South

Russell and Raymond Eyerly, brothers arrested here several days ago on telegraphic instructions from Bakersfield, Cal., authorities charging them with burglary and grand larceny, were enroute to Bakersfield today in custody of Deputy Sheriff A. P. Cochran and Y. E. Yancey. Failure to gather any evidence in Montana sufficiently strong to outweigh the charge against the pair of breaking into a garage and stealing an auto two years ago, was given today as the reason for withdrawing the habeas corpus proceedings and permitting the youths to return for prosecution.

The brothers were taken from the city jail last night by the Bakersfield deputies, after a copy of the withdrawal motion had been served on Chief of Police Welsh. They left for the south on train 13, which will arrive in Bakersfield some time Sunday night.

The arrest of the Eyerly brothers in Salem two years after the crime, to which they have confessed, was committed; their spectacular fight against extradition, and final surrender to the law has attracted coast wide interest. Extradition was granted by Governor Olcott last Monday just a few minutes after a petition for a writ of habeas corpus had been filed in circuit court here in behalf of the brothers.

With the filing of this petition police were compelled to hold the pair until April 1—the time set for hearing on the petition in court. Immediately following the filing of the petition the attorney for the brothers began investigation in Montana of their connection to the crime, and District Attorney J. R. Dorsey of Kern county, Cal., began to make preparations to come to Salem April 1 to argue for the return of the boys to California.

Just before departing last night Deputies Yancey and Cochran told a representative of the Capital Journal that their stay in Salem of almost a week had been one of pleasure, and that their treatment by authorities here, the boys' attorney, and whoever they came in contact with was most cordial. "We have had fair play on every point," they said.

Bryan Declares Democrats Free To Defend Labor

Lincoln, Neb., Mar. 27.—W. J. Bryan began his campaign in Nebraska Friday, speaking at Elmwood in the afternoon and concluding with an extended speech at Lincoln last night. His address here was intended more especially for women voters, but many men were present.

Mr. Bryan said the democratic party was in a position to make a strong appeal for the support of the women of the nation because it is more free to take the side of the organized masses against organized greed than the republican party. Women, he said, would naturally come to the aid of democracy in its fight against compulsory military training, and because of the party's espousal of the league of nations.

His campaign in Nebraska, he said, would be in the interest partly of the faction which presented a list of delegates to the democratic national convention of which he was one. Mr. Bryan said he was making his canvass in order that he might stand in the San Francisco convention for the endorsement of prohibition as the permanent policy of the country and for the enforcement law enacted by more than two thirds of the present congress.

Referring to the presidential candidacy of Senator G. M. Hitchcock, he said he regretted he was compelled to withhold his support from any Nebraska democrat who aspired to the office, "but to support Mr. Hitchcock I would have to ignore the welfare of the democratic party, as well as repudiate my own course."

Mr. Bryan said Governor Edwards of New Jersey of New Jersey was at one time an aspirant for the democratic nomination for president and his insurance commissioner.

name was entered on the Nebraska primary ballot, but it was withdrawn because the New Jersey executive "did not want to endanger Senator Hitchcock's chances by dividing the vote of the state."

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United States is Scored For Stand On Latin Tangle

LaPaz, Bolivia, Mar. 26.—Attacks on the United States are published by Tiempo and Diario today, which say that the American attitude, influenced by false information furnished by Peru is creating unpleasantness for Bolivia and her neighboring states. The newspapers declare the American government should seek the truth regarding the situation, which they say would show that Peruvians provoked the recent untoward incidents. The United States should give no further credence to the utterances of Chancellor Porras of Peru, the newspaper says.

The attitude of Peru toward Bolivia is declared to be similar to that adopted toward Chile some time ago, when, according to Tiempo and Diario, the Peruvian government invented tales of alleged persecution of Peruvians in Chile. Both the newspapers call attention to what they term the rude and insulting attitude of Chancellor Porras toward Bolivia. "The latter country, the journals say, did not take any military measures during the recent controversy."

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Fugitives Flock To Dutch Border From Red Terror

Rotterdam, Mar. 27.—Hundreds of fugitives from the Ruhr district are nearing the Dutch frontier, according to a correspondent of the Courant. Some arrived at Steenburg last night bringing stories of the "red terror" in towns through which Spartacists have driven armored cars. They confirm reports, the correspondent says, that the workers forces are being led by Russians or other foreigners. The government at Muenster, it is said, has had to contend with a soviet dictatorship after the Russian model, which has been getting help from Moscow.

The Hague, Mar. 25.—Preparations to meet any emergency at the frontier have been made by the Dutch government, according to authoritative information given the Associated Press. Plans have been perfected for the instant mobilization of three levies of the second division, and if it becomes necessary, civic guards and volunteer corps from some frontier villages will be called to arms.

German government troops at Weasel have reinforced and are reliable, according to reports received in military circles here.

Grocers Pull Out Of Suit Directed Against Packers

Chicago, Mar. 27.—The Southern Wholesale Grocers association, with more than 2000 members, has withdrawn from the case brought by the National Wholesale Grocers against the big five packers and several rail roads, K. D. Rynder, counsel for Swift and company, announced at the continuation of the hearing before Clyde D. Aitchison, of the Interstate Commerce commission here today.

The National Wholesale Grocers are asking that an order be issued forbidding the shipment of grocers in refrigerator cars owned by the packers, claiming that the practice represents unfair competition.

The southern grocers were co-complainants in the first hearing last fall. They have since notified their members that the dissolution agreement reached by the packers and Attorney General Palmer grants the relief they sought, Rynder said.

In his argument this morning he declared that the effort to restrict refrigerator car shipments not only economically unsound but would also work distinct hardship on the public generally, if enforced.

"We shall show that if theorists drafted by the wholesale grocers were sought by the commission it would, as far as Swift and company is concerned require a cutting down of the number of peddler routes from 717 per week to 150," he said. "This could not but result in a serious situation for the small towns, hampering severely their supply of fresh meat."

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