

### RANCHER FREED AS SUSPECT IN EUREKA MURDER

Eureka, Cal., Oct. 16.—Leland Bryant, bachelor rancher, was questioned by the Humboldt county district attorney before a coroner's jury at Fortuna last night investigating the death of Henry Sweet, who was found dead with a bullet in his back, after he had left on a hunting trip with Miss Carmen Wagner, 18, a beauty parlor proprietor. Miss Wagner dropped from sight after the killing and a search is now being conducted for her.

The pointed questions put to Bryant by the district attorney last night were significant. He brought Bryant before the father and brother of Miss Wagner and the coroner's jury asked him a rather dramatic question:

"Mr. Bryant, can you look those people squarely in the eye and say you do not know where Miss Wagner is, or who it was killed Henry Sweet," snapped the district attorney.

"I can," Bryant answered calmly.

"Your conscience is perfectly clear?" again queried the interrogator.

"Clear as a bell," answered Bryant.

Bryant was not detained.

Raymond Shields, 32, of Bridgeville, came to Eureka early this morning and said that he had discovered the foot prints of a woman and a dog on a deserted trail in the hills 60 miles from Eureka. Shields also brought a piece of ribbon of the same color and texture as one worn by Miss Wagner. Miss Wagner took a dog with her on the hunting expedition which ended in Sweet's death.

### Salem City Expense Is Proportional to Rank as Second City

Salem, the second city in size in the state, has an annual payroll in the various city departments of \$97,124, while Astoria the third city in size pays its city employees and officers a total of \$81,230 every year, and Eugene, fourth city has an annual payroll of \$13,530. Astoria is the only one of the three cities that has a salaried council, having the city manager form of government.

An accurate comparison of the salary and other executive department between the three cities is difficult because variance in the items of expenditure. A general comparison is possible, however, by use of the following table:

City of Salem	Eugene	Astoria
Mayor and Council	\$1,200	\$2,200
Recorder, purchasing agent and judge	\$1,800	\$2,200
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Recorder and Judge	\$1,200	\$2,200
City Attorney	\$1,200	\$2,400
Assistant Recorder	\$1,200	\$1,600
Treasurer	\$1,500	\$2,400
City Engineer	\$2,400	\$3,600
Chief Fire Department	\$1,650	\$2,100
Assistants to Fire Chief	\$1,650	\$4,480
Chief of Police	\$1,300	\$2,400
Street Superintendent	\$1,400	\$3,520
Total Salaries Street Department	\$8,940	\$14,900
Health Officer	\$400	\$900
Building Inspector	\$1,800	\$900
Assistant	\$1,800	\$900
Janitor City Hall	\$600	\$1,315
Total	\$38,580	\$61,230

\* Plus Fees.

### FIVE FINE ACTS ON VAUDEVILLE BILL TONIGHT

Another excellent bill is to appear on the Association Vaudeville tour at the Hellig theater this evening. The program this evening has five excellent acts, two of them headliners, short subjects and the weekly concert number of the Hellig concert orchestra.

Arnold and Florence, from the English Music Hall, do a lot of balancing, a little dancing and some comedy. Arnold will prove to be one of the best balancers seen at the Hellig theater this year, and Miss Florence steps about rather lively and contributes some real comedy. A surprise finish leaves an audience convinced that the art of make-up is a wonderful thing.

The making of smoke pictures has reached the stage of perfection where art is more interesting than the old style of making pictures with crayon or paint. Stuart Darrow is deservedly reckoned the foremost artist in this line. His latest and original novelty is to cover two large plates with smoke, and pictures are produced by rubbing out the background. Some very remarkable pictures are created from his fingers and hands.

A brilliant company of six graceful girls comprise the Elida ballet, one of the most sensational dance offerings in vaudeville. The program they deliver runs the entire gamut of terpsichore. While several names are featured in the billing, it would be an injustice to classify them as principals and the rest subordinates, for every member of the company contributes generously to the success of the production. Special mention, however, must be made of Adele Jeanne, the premier danseuse, who contributes some sensational Oriental numbers. The act opens with a do doll bandit, introducing stolen dolls, and as the curtain rises the Dutch, Soldier, French and Raggedy Ann dolls are shown, and they go right into a mechanical doll dance.

Trout and Heff, two men who call themselves "Two Black Spasms" are a sure cure for the blues. They have style and manners all their own and intermingling their special comedy songs, making the turn one of the best two-man blackface acts on the road. They indulge in the low-brow type of colored and humorous, especially the closing duet in which they work in topical verses on local conditions and events.

They seem to have an endless array of these verses for they are ever ready to respond to as many certain calls as they receive, which is usually plenty. One member of the team works as the swell, overdressed colored "Puhson," while his partner is the typical down-south back alley "good-fob-nuthin' smoke."

The Empire comedy quartette, America's funniest four, a big surprise awaits you. This is one of the best headliners on the road. Through an error, it was announced yesterday that the last show would start at 9. The announcement should have read 8:46.

### LONDON GREET PRINCE WARMLY

London, Oct. 16.—(A. P.)—London gave the Prince of Wales the most affectionate welcome of all his homecomings this afternoon when he returned from his 25,000-mile voyage to South Africa and South America. He was greeted at the Victoria station by the king and queen, other members of the royal family and thousands of spectators.

The prince stepped from the train which brought him from Portsmouth wearing the uniform of the Welsh Guards.

After shaking hands with the king, the young heir apparent bent low over the queen's hand. Then dropping all formal salutations, he placed an arm about his mother and kissed her affectionately on both cheeks.

### DALLAS HIGH AND MONMOUTH PLAY

Dallas, Oct. 16.—Dallas high school will open her 1925 football season on the home grounds October 23 with Monmouth, according to the schedule arranged by Willis Baldersee, student manager of athletics. This will be followed on October 29 with a game at Dallas with Amity.

On Armistice day, November 11, the local team will meet Independence, old time rivals, on the independence field. This game will be part of a county legion celebration with Independence acting as the host.

The date of November 20 is still open. On November 27 Dallas goes to Lebanon for the final game of the season.

Gervais high school defeated the Monmouth high school football eleven yesterday afternoon on the Gervais gridiron by a score of 29 to 6. The game was the cleanest yet seen, only two penalties being given. Both of them were for offsides plays, one going to each team.

Hodgen, full. The first combination averages about 150 pounds, while the heavier men average about 130 pounds. Lynn Jones, all-around fullback, will be on the sidelines, giving his injured wrist a rest.

Nothing but straight football will be used against Pacific, so that California scouts will have little information to take back with them, it is said.

### DALLAS BUDGET BOARD IS NAMED

Dallas, Or., Oct. 16.—Mayor Conrad Staffin has announced nine local tax payers to act as a budget committee to work with the city council in preparing the 1925 budget and tax levy. The joint meeting on October 19 will hold a council meeting to prepare for the budget work.

August P. Risser is renamed as chairman of the committee with N. L. Guy, W. E. Ballantyne, J. R. Crayon, E. V. Dalton, Sarle Richardson, Walter S. Muir, P. J. Crayon and C. L. Corder as members.

### Society

Mrs. Arthur H. Moore. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Shaffer.

An attractive centerpiece of yellow marigolds centered the table with covers laid for six. Halloween favors marked each place.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Koser and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rafferty left by motor this morning for San Francisco and southern California. They expect to take the coast route one way and will be gone a week or ten days.

Mrs. W. H. Parker has as her house guest her brother, J. G. Poindexter of Alturas, California.

A regular meeting of the W. R. C. will be held tomorrow in McCornack hall.

The first of a series of dances to be given during the winter at Derby hall by the La Concorde club was given on Tuesday evening. Autumn leaves and jack o'lanterns were used about the hall.

Mrs. Frank Jasko and Mrs. Ray Hartman will be in charge of the rummage sale at St. Joseph's auditorium on the corner of Chameketa and Winter streets all day tomorrow.

An old time dance with old fashioned music played by a fiddler and with old fashioned square dances during the evening will be given at St. Joseph's hall on October 23.

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### OREGON TO HAVE TWO BACKFIELD GROUPS

Eugene, Or., Oct. 16.—With two different backfield combinations ready to take the field for the University of Oregon against Pacific university here Saturday, Coach Dick Smith is giving his football proteges a slight rest today. One of the backfield combinations is light and speedy, while the other is heavier.

Blain, quarterback; Munn, halfback and Punst, halfback, and Langworthy, fullback, compose the lighter combination. The heavier backs are Anderson, quarter; Wetzel and Vitus, halves, and

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