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## LIFE PRISONER SHOT BY GUARD AFTER ASSAULT

### JAMES OGLE HURLS ROCK AT HEAD OF JOHN DAVIDSON, A GUARD AT STATE PENITENTIARY, AND IS SHOT DEAD.

Ogle Was One of the Three Men Who Robbed Claremont Tavern, Near Portland, in 1919, When Three Guests Were Killed by His Shots.

SALEM, Or., March 21.—James Ogle, life term, was shot and killed at the state penitentiary today by John Davidson, guard, who said he fired after Ogle had hurled a rock at him and was in the act of heaving another.

Davidson has been keeping close watch on Ogle, as the result of the latter's recent boast that he would make his getaway and "get some one."

Officials have failed to ascertain how the lifer gained possession of the rocks with which he attempted the assault.

Ogle is one of the three men who robbed the Claremont Tavern, near Portland, November, 1919. He confessed that it was his shot which killed two of the guests.

## STATUTORY CASE AT COUNTY COURT

The trial of L. R. James, a middle-aged laborer, charged with a statutory offense against Dora Bellows, a 15-year-old school girl, was begun in the circuit court at Jacksonville yesterday morning. The alleged offense was committed February 25th, according to the grand jury indictments, and the principal witnesses in the case are little girls—one being but eight years of age. The defendant is represented by Attorney B. F. Lindas, and the state by Rawles Moore.

In the opening statement to the jury, the defense said it would prove that James is a victim of circumstances. Under the new women jury law, in cases of this nature, one-half of the jury must be women, but the attorneys for both sides waived this right, owing to the inability to procure women to serve, all taking advantage of the exemption clause in the law. The only woman on the jury is Miss Issie McCully, of Jacksonville.

The first witness called was Dora Bellows, the complaining witness. She has no mother, and she was doing the Saturday housework when the defendant is alleged to have made the assault. Verita Roseberry, a little girl of eight years, was the third witness, and was frankly childish in her testimony. Judge Calkins, from the bench, questioned the little miss, relative to telling the truth. Verita gave a dramatic recital of what she heard on the porch, when she went to bring Dora to her home, when sent by her mother, who had noticed the defendant going to the Bellows home.

Jerry Bellows, aged 11, was the next witness, and told of James bringing over a box of apples and leaving 45 cents on a stand in the front room.

Sheriff Terrill testified that the defendant at the preliminary hearing, said he "had placed his hands on the girl in a joking manner, and meant no wrong."

The jury selected is: C. C. Beale, Butte Falls; Issie McCully, Jacksonville; A. C. Briggs, Ashland; Henry C. Mackey, Medford; Benjamin Haymond, Gold Hill; Owen Reddy, Med-McKinney, Ashland; C. W. Fraley, Medford; W. H. Doren, Medford; C. L. Ashland; Loren Damon, Medford; Kenneth Beebe, Central Point; Earnest Applegate, Ashland.

**Upholds Capital Punishment Act.** SALEM, Or., March 21.—The supreme court rendered a decision today upholding the validity of Oregon's capital punishment act.

"Build with the Birds."

COL. JOHN V. CLINNIN



Col. John V. Clinnin, assistant United States district attorney in Chicago, was temporarily relieved from duty by Attorney General Daugherty because of official criticism of his action in certain cases, and petitioned Judge Landis for an investigation of the affairs of the district attorney's office as conducted by Charles F. Clyne.

## HARDING MAY VETO ARMY BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—President Harding may veto the pending army bill. This was indicated at the White House today, if congress passes the bill as it stands, with directions how overseas American troops shall be distributed. The bill cuts the Hawaii and Philippine island garrisons to mere skeleton organizations.

The president considers, it was officially stated, that congress has nothing to say where troops of the United States shall be stationed, and that such power is only vested in the president, as commander in chief of the army and navy.

## COUNTY NURSE TO BE HERE SATURDAY

The county nurse will hold a weighing and measuring meeting in the parlors of the First Methodist church, corner of North Main and Laurel streets, on Saturday, March 25. She will be glad to meet any of the mothers who have had children weighed at the previous clinics and anyone wishing to consult with her. Hours are from 1:30 to 4:30 p. m.

## Exit Old Man Winter Spring Here Today

Miss Spring, juvenile of the seasons and a favorite with the poets, stepped into the picture this morning at 1:49 o'clock, while old man Winter, crusty and hard-boiled, did a fade-out.

Generally fair weather greeted spring in the territory bordering the Pacific ocean, while east of the Rockies, winter is gradually giving away.

Never have the people of Oregon been so anxious to see the advent of spring, for in addition to being the coldest winter, the season just passed has been the driest and, altogether, was reminiscent of winters farther east.

## CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY NOTED AROUND OPP MINES

"Things are beginning to buzz with excitement, hustle and bustle around the Opp mines, getting ready to install the huge rockcrushers and other machinery with which to begin work on the big contract to furnish the Southern Pacific railroad company with 300,000 yards of rock and gravel for ballasting purposes. Brophy & Childers are also making preparations to install their big brickyard near the Opp mine which will soon be the busiest place in Oregon."—Jacksonville Post.

G. L. Miner, who is here for a few days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Schuerman, enjoyed a trip to the summit of the Siskiyou in company with O. Winter Monday.

## ELKHORN GUN SHOP LOSES A VALUABLE STOCK OF REVOLVERS

The Elkhorn gun store, owned and operated by Robert Middleton, on Oak street, just east of Main street, was burglarized Sunday night.

The burglars entered by the rear door, after having pried an outside wooden door from its hinges, and breaking the glass, so as to reach in and unlock the door from the inside.

Thirteen guns of the pistol type were taken, some of small value, but others of the best make. The value of the articles taken is estimated to be about \$250.

Once inside the store, the work was apparently carried on with the idea of taking things of value without any excess weight, for several pistols that were in hostlers, were removed, and the hostlers thrown on the floor.

As far as now known, no finger prints could be obtained, and no definite clue has been uncovered.

The following is the description and numbers of the stolen firearms: Special officers target model Colts, 38 cal., No. 457653; Colts single action army, wood handle, 45-cal., No. 115388; Colts single action army, wooden handle, 45 cal., No. 113636; Colts police positive, special 32-20 cal., No. 218620; Colts automatic, 32 cal., No. 389979; Colts army special, 38 D. A., No. 161852; Colts army special, 38 D. A., wood handle, No. 167383; two Browne semi-automatics, no numbers; Mauser automatic, 25 cal., No. 254988; Colts automatic, 45 cal.; Colts automatic, 22 cal.; Colts automatic, 38 cal., military model, no safety on side; Hope automatic, 25 cal.

## 200,000 Soldiers Find Jobs in Week

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 21.—A drop in the nation's unemployed soldiers from 700,000 to about 500,000 as the result of the first week's campaign to find jobs for them, was estimated at the national Legion headquarters here today, following reports received from all parts of the country.

## GREAT BRITAIN TO PAY INTEREST THIS FALL

LONDON, March 21.—England will pay a half-year's interest on her war debt to the United States in the fall, it was officially announced in the house of commons today. This announcement was received with cheers. So far, none of the nations which borrowed money from the United States during the war, have paid either interest or capital.

## \$12,000 To Be Spent Lake O'Woods Road

According to the plans of the county court there will be \$12,000 spent on the Dead Indian road to Lake of the Woods this summer, \$5000 by the county and \$7000 by the forest department. The county will grade the road to the summit, while the forest department will expend their appropriation from the summit to the lake.

Most of the road work in Jackson county this summer will be in the scenic sections, and will be done in connection with the forest department. On the Thompson Creek road in the Applegate section, \$100 will be expended by the county, and \$500 by the forest service.

On the south fork of Little Butte creek, the county will expend a sufficient sum to build a road from the Tonn ranch to the forest reserve line and the forest service will expend \$2500 on the road from the line to the Dead Indian soda springs.

The forestry service will expend \$1500 on the Huckleberry Mountain road, all within the forest reserve. This section is famous for its wild berries, and is visited annually by scores of Jackson county people, who spend a vacation in picking this delicious fruit.

On the road from the Earl Ulrich stock ranch to Persist, a branch of the Crater Lake highway, the forest service will spend \$1000 and the county \$2500. This road touches Cascade Falls, and will be a benefit alike to tourists and residents of that section.

The forest service will spend \$3000 on the road with the forest from Union creek to Diamond lake.

Surveys have been made on some of this work and will begin on all the others at an early date.

## SOME EGG!

H. B. Carter, of Mountain avenue, who keeps a nice flock of White Leghorns here, found an egg of some size among his hen fruit the other day. The egg was 6 1/4 inches in circumference and 8 1/2 inches in length by actual measurement. Perhaps Mrs. Hen was aware that the Easter season is approaching.

## Spring Arrives

This being the first day of spring and really being a spring day, it might be well to mention that spring flowers are in evidence on several of the lawns about town. Among the flowers that have put in their appearance are the daffodils, crocuses and a number of beds of the little blue violets.

## ADDITIONAL TROOPS MOBILIZED IN RUSSIA

RIGA, March 21.—The soviet war commissar has mobilized three additional classes of troops, it is reported from Moscow. The only explanation for the movement is that Russia fears an attack on the western frontier.

## K.K.K. FINGER PRINT EXPERT WORKS ON THREATENING NOTES

H. E. Griffith, kleagle of the Invisible Empire, commonly called the Ku Klux Klan, called at the Tidings office today and made a statement regarding policies of the Klan and the misrepresentations made in the county papers.

Mr. Griffith said the Medford Klan absolutely had no connection with the "neck tie" party which was pulled off at Table Rock last Friday night, and as for the notes received by several parties in Ashland, Mr. Griffith disclaimed any knowledge of who sent them. He said no letters were sent out unless they had the Klan letter head. He said a number of the threatening notes had been turned over to the Klan, and their finger print expert is now working on them with the intention of running down the culprits.

In speaking of the Klan as an organization, the kleagle said it was a regular fraternal, patriotic, benevolent order, standing unqualifiedly for the following principles: Pure Americanism, protection of pure womanhood, free speech and press, free public schools, restricted immigration, white supremacy, and law and order, and believes in and is constantly assisting all officers of the law in the performance of their duties.

AUGUSTA, Me., March 21.—The special third congressional district election resulted in the election of John T. Nelson, republican, who received 16,598 to 10,256 for Ernest McLean, democrat.

## Mrs Obenchain to Have Second Trial

LOS ANGELES, March 21.—After 56 hours deliberation, the Obenchain jury failed to return a verdict and was dismissed. District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine announced yesterday that a second trial of Mrs. Obenchain would commence at an early date. He also announced that an investigation would be made by his office of the charge by jury members that three of their number voted for acquittal on the first ballot and refused to discuss the reasons for their attitude.

## ORANGEMEN AND SINN FEINERS CLASH AGAIN

BELFAST, March 21.—Another wave of violence rolled along the Ulster frontier today. Armed Orangemen and Sinn Feiners clashed at numerous points. A wave of incendiarism has swept over Belfast.

MAJ. DANIEL SULLIVAN



Maj. Daniel Sullivan, new superintendent of police for the District of Columbia. Major Sullivan has been promoted through every rank in the police department on merit alone.

## ELECT OFFICERS FIRST MEETING

The first meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce, since the election of the six directors, was held last evening at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the city building on the Plaza.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was held, resulting in the selection of the following officers: W. H. McNair, president; F. C. Homes, vice president; F. S. Engle, treasurer; J. H. Fuller, managing secretary.

A general meeting of the entire membership of the Chamber of Commerce has been called for Thursday evening, March 23, at the city hall. At this meeting, a detailed report of the past year will be given. An opportunity will also be given for the presentation of any plans or ideas that might be useful during the coming year, and it is urged that all members, both old and new, be present and give any ideas that they can advance for the progress of the city.

Professor Forsyth and Coach Hughes, of the high school faculty, have been invited to be present and express themselves on the athletic question.

## Hughes Denies Secret Agreement

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Secretary Hughes branded as "absolutely false" the charge made in the senate that the United States and Great Britain entered into a secret understanding at the armament conference, aimed at Japan or any other nation.

In a letter to Senator Lodge, Hughes declared "we have no secret understandings or agreements with Britain with relation to the four-power treaty, or on any other matter."

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The United States has no secret agreements with any nation, it was officially stated at the White House today in response to the charges in the senate that "a sympathetic understanding" existed between England and the United States. The statement was made in behalf of President Harding, who, it was said, was "amazed" at the "outrageous" suggestion that the United States would invite friendly powers to a conference and then enter into secret agreements with any one of them.

## BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL THROUGHOUT DENMARK

COPENHAGEN, March 21.—Business is almost at a standstill throughout Denmark as a result of the general labor lockout. There has been slight outbreaks of violence in Jutland, where troops are on guard. The troubles began in February when employers began to cut wages.

## FIRST DAY OF SPRING FINDS STORM IN EAST

OLD MAN WINTER REFUSES TO LOOSEN HIS GRIP ON THE MIDDLE WEST AND EASTERN SECTIONS OF THE COUNTRY.

Snow and Sleet Storms Cripple Wire Communication in Minnesota and Wisconsin; All Transportation Is Hampered; Rivers Overflow Banks

CHICAGO, March 21.—The first official day of spring found many sections of the middle west afflicted with snow, floods and temperature very reminiscent of January.

Sections of Minnesota and Wisconsin are hardest hit. Snow and sleet storms crippled the wire service throughout that section. All modes of transportation have also been hampered.

In the south the Wabash river and other streams have topped their banks and inundated large areas of farm lands caused by the heavy rainfall, according to reports received here today.

Heavy rains caused streams to rise and flood many sections of Illinois, damaging farmers' crops and menacing cities and towns.

## NO DANGER OF GAS SHORTAGE IN 1922

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—There is no danger of a gasoline shortage.

Fears expressed in some quarters that the United States might be threatened with a gasoline famine, today were declared by officials of the federal bureau of mines to be groundless.

"There is an ample supply of 'gas' to meet all the requirements of the 10,505,660 automobiles and trucks that are said to be in use in this country, together with the predicted 20 per cent increase in their number this year," declared one of the government's oil experts.

With the use of automobiles and trucks growing by leaps and bounds the bureau of mines is giving close study to the gasoline situation. Surveys of production of crude petroleum, operations of the refineries and stocks in storage are being made at regular intervals by the bureau, and by this means the government's experts are enabled to keep in close touch with production and consumption of the commodity that keeps automobiles running.

303 Refineries Operate. Officials pointed out that the end of last year there were 586,087,132 gallons of gasoline held in storage, while there were 303 refineries in operation, having a total daily capacity of 1,736,725 barrels of crude oil.

"A large number of these refineries are only running about 80 per cent of capacity, and there are, in addition, about 150 refineries that have shut down," said one of the government's oil experts. "There are ample stocks of crude oil in sight, so timid automobile owners need have no fear that a gasoline famine is imminent." Last year 5,153,549,318 gallons of gasoline were produced in the United States, being an average of 14,119,213 gallons daily. This was an increase over 1920 of 271,002,669 gallons. Domestic consumption of gasoline in 1921 exceeded that of 1919 by 1,081,000,000 gallons.

## KLAMATH HAS 42 INCHES OF SNOW DURING WINTER

A record of 42 inches of snow fell in Klamath Falls during the winter just past, according to the official records of the reclamation service. The snowfall by months is as follows: December, 13.25 inches; January, 7.75 inches; February, 16.25 inches; March, 4.75 inches; total, 42 inches. This record is believed to beat any year as far back as the old timers can remember. The precipitation during the three and one-half months amounted to only 5.25 inches.—Klamath Falls Herald.

