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EVIDENCE IS DAMAGING IN MURDER CASE

Prosecutor Weaves Webb Around Loeb and Leopold, Slayers

PRINCIPALS LAUGH Parents of Loeb Unable to Attend Because of Grief Stricken Condition

CHICAGO, July 24.—Bit by bit and with unerring accuracy, the prosecution of Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, confessed kidnapers and slayers of Bobby Franks, added to the mountain of evidence which State's Attorney Crowe has been piling up and which he has repeatedly allowed to send the youthful murderers and sons of Chicago millionaires to the gallows.

Many Give Evidence Hotel clerks, railroad employes, physicians, fellow students, servants in the home of young Leopold and many from other walks of life, took the stand to give their knowledge of the facts leading up to the crime, which has been characterized as the most distasteful in the history of American jurisprudence.

Principals Laugh Both Loeb and Leopold laughed aloud and displayed considerable merriment as Seven England, chauffeur for the Leopold family, told in thick Scandinavian accent, how the boys came to the Leopold home the morning following the atrocious crime and washing up what they described to him as being "wine spilled in the machine during the night."

It was England who shattered Leopold's alibi by telling the police that Nathan's car was in the garage the night he said he had been riding in it, and which was the night the murder was committed.

Saw Chisel Thrown Away Night Watchman Hunt added to the chain of evidence by testifying that he saw some one throw something out of a machine the night of the crime, which later developed to be the blood-stained chisel, with which they hit Franks over the head.

Grief Overcomes Parents Allen Leob, brother of Richard, announced that his parents were unable to attend court due to their physical condition caused by grief over the tragedy.

The state expects to complete its case Saturday and the offense may take but two days. Makes Few Objections During the examination of the many witnesses today, some of whom gave what is considered damaging against the two confessed murderers, counsel for the defense offered few objections, having staked their case on the plea of guilty and hoping for a sentence to prison for life instead of death on the gallows.

COUNTY WILL FEATURE LARGEST PEAR DISPLAY

The reputation of the Jackson County Fair has become statewide and this year will also be known as the Oregon Pear Show. There will be on exhibit the largest number of high grade pears, grown in the best pear district in the world, ever shown at any one place.

There will be the usual number of community displays and there may be exhibits of the products of neighboring counties. The livestock display will be as attractive as in the past. The auto show will be made up of the latest models and the new \$7500 merchants building will feature merchandise displays and style show.

TO HOLD JOINT FORUM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

Wednesday evening, August 6, is the date set for the joint forum and picnic of the Ashland and Medford Chambers of Commerce and the event promises to be of unusual interest and enjoyment. J. H. Fuller, secretary of the local chamber, attended the forum of the Medford chamber yesterday and it was at that time the date for the joint meeting was designated. Aside from the fact that the Medford chamber will provide the greater part of the program for the joint meeting, which will be held in Lithia Park, no details have been worked out, but will be announced soon.

EIGHT RUM RUNNERS CAPTURED BY MARINES

BOSTON, July 24.—Eight alleged rum runners, 2000 gallons of alcohol, a truck and a power boat were captured early this morning in south Boston by a detail of United States Marines. The arrest was accomplished at the point of rifles, the rum runners not submitting to arrest until three shots had been fired at them.

CAPSTONE IS LAID IN NEW MAUSOLEUM

Heavy Foundations Completed In New Structure; Work Fast Progressing

At noon today, work was completed on the capstone on the Ashland Memorial Mausoleum, and work is now ready to start on the walls of the structure. With the completion of the capstone, the floor of the building was completed except for laying the marble and tile which will cover the strong cement foundations.

Footings for the floor are five feet deep, and the floor itself is thirteen inches thick. It is built of concrete, reinforced with steel, and will be covered with marble, inlaid with tile. It is built to withstand a pressure of six tons to the square foot, while the actual pressure will be more than 1500 pounds to the foot. Two carloads of lumber were today delivered to make forms for the sidewalks of the structure. They will be of concrete, reinforced with steel, and the inside will be of marble, making the building earthquake proof. Cement for the walls will be poured from a height of twenty feet, and an elevator is being built to speed up work.

When completed, the building from the outside will be of rectangular shape, with a road running around it. Inside it will be the shape of a Maltese cross, with a chapel in the center, large enough to hold 100 persons. In the center of the chapel, the crypt containing historical data, which will be opened in fifty years. In the crypt are two copies of the Tidings, carrying the names of all subscribers to the new hotel, lists of club members, high school graduates, a copy of the city charter, and other data of interest.

RABBITS' DOOM SEATED IN UMATILLA COUNTY

PENDLETON, Ore., July 24.—An investigation of sagebrush land adjacent to irrigated tracts in the west end of the county was made yesterday by Roy Fugate, U. S. Game Warden, and Fred Hennion, county agent, to find suitable sections for placing poison for jack rabbits. The rate of increase of jack rabbits this year was estimated at twice that of normal years.

Each pair of rabbits has raised 20 young ones this year, he estimated, as against a normal family of 10. From one poison bait set near Irrigon recently 540 rabbits were killed within 24 hours. The same poison, strychnine on chopped alfalfa, will be used in Umatilla county.

COMMENCEMENT TO BE HELD THIS EVENING

Commencement exercises for eight graduates from the eighth grade will be held this evening, G. A. Briscoe, superintendent of city schools announced today. The students completed their primary school work during the Ashland summer session. Six are from Ashland and the other two from Medford.

Ashland residents are invited to attend the exercises, which will begin at eight o'clock. They will be held in the assembly room at Ashland High School.

BURGLAR IN PARIS GETS DEATH SENTENCE

PARIS, July 24.—Gabriel Alphonse Mourey, burglar in the famous Shattuck robbery case, was sentenced to death today. The verdict was given by a Paris jury. Mourey broke into the home of Alfred R. Shattuck, banker, in 1922, looted the family in the wine cellar at the point of a gun and, with his accomplice, escaped with \$90,000 worth of jewelry. French law calls for the death penalty for theft with a deadly weapon. Mourey pleaded guilty but denied intent to kill.

COUNT SHOWS MUCH TRAVEL ON HIGHWAY

2,608 Cars Are Found to Pass Ashland-Klamath Junction Daily

HEAVY TRAVEL NORTH 376 More Cars Pass Fair Grounds Than Pass Ashland-Klamath Falls Junction

A count made by M. Bishop, of the Oregon State Highway Commission on July 17, showed a very heavy travel on the Pacific Highway, according to figures made public today.

One count was made at the junction of the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway, seven miles south of here, and another at the fair grounds, one mile south of Medford. At the Ashland-Klamath Falls junction, a total of 2,608 vehicles, going north, south, and over the Greensburg road, was counted. In the list were included 15 horse-drawn vehicles, 11 motorcycles, 106 light trucks and 43 heavy trucks.

Machines bearing Oregon licenses totaled 838, and those bearing licenses issued by other states totaled 1661. The majority of the machines were going north, and the peak of travel was reached between two and five in the afternoon.

At the fair grounds, a total of 2,984 vehicles passed, or 376 more than were listed at the junction, showing that there is much travel daily between Medford and Ashland. There were 1982 machines licensed in Oregon, while foreign machines numbered 33 less than the total checked at the junction, showing that many stopped here, or in wayside camping grounds. A number of the foreign cars went to Klamath Falls or Crater Lake, and will come in to Medford over the Crater Lake highway, so that the checker did not get them.

At the fair grounds, there were six horse-drawn vehicles, seven motorcycles and six trailers checked. 127 light trucks and 51 heavy trucks passed. With the exception of from six to seven in the morning, over 100 cars passed every hour of the day. The peak of travel was between two and seven p. m. The most cars were being driven north. The average traffic at the fair grounds was over 170 machines an hour.

Total figures were: Fair grounds total 2984 Number going south on highway at junction 1188 Number going north on highway at junction 1051 Turning at junction 371 Of the out-of-state cars, a majority register in Ashland, while a slightly smaller number register in Medford. Grants Pass registers a few, while the others do not secure permits in (Continued on Page Four)

REPORTS MADE AT INSTITUTE CLASS

Discussion of Social Hygiene Is Illustrated With Motion Pictures

Discussion of social hygiene, illustrated by motion pictures, was one of the outstanding features of yesterday's meeting of the Parent-Teacher institute, being held here this week. Miss Frances Hays, national field worker of the organization, talked on the work of the anti-tuberculosis association.

Mrs. J. F. Hill, national vice-president of the association, told of the work and value of the state conventions. The plan and arrangement of the conventions as well as a report of the last one, were given.

The work of the state headquarters, where 2,000 babies received treatment last year, was told by the state president, Mrs. George J. Perkins, of Portland. Mrs. Perkins told in detail of the purpose and organization of the headquarters, and gave an interesting account of the work. The Oregon vice-president, Mrs. Louis Dodge, of Ashland, told of her work, and Mrs. A. Arnsperger, of Medford district vice-president made a report. Mrs. M. Root, of Medford, president of the county council, gave a resume of the activities of her department. Round-table discussions were held following all reports.

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE BULLETINS

LIQUOR HAUL MADE AT ASTORIA

ASTORIA, July 24.—Five men were arrested, two sea-going rum runners, an auto truck and 160 cases of Canadian liquor were seized when federal prohibition agents raided the boats as the liquor was being discharged at Skipanon river, near Warrenton this morning.

CANADIAN BANK ROBBED OF \$20,000

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 24.—Three armed men held up a branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here and escaped with \$20,000 cash this morning. The bandits slugged Geo. Bonhill, the manager, and painfully injured him. The bank staff was forced to lie down on the floor while the vault was looted.

CARPENTIER AND TUNNEY WEIGH IN FOR BOUT

NEW YORK, July 24.—Georges Carpentier, French boxing idol, and Gene Tunney both weighed in under the limit of 175 pounds this afternoon for their 15 round battle tonight at the Polo Grounds. Fifty-five thousand expect to witness the battle, and the gate receipts will likely exceed \$250,000. Carpentier's followers claim he will stop Tunney not later than the sixth round, while Tunney's managers say he will stop the Frenchman before the close of the third.

FOUR MEN SURROUNDED BY FIRE

PORTLAND, July 24.—With near record heat reported at many points, the forest fire situation continued to grow serious over the northwest, according to reports received here. In the Bald mountain district near Dallas, four fighters are said to be surrounded by a fire which is sweeping a six-mile area, and fears are felt for their safety. A fire five miles from Tillamook jumped out of control, and is raging through green timber. Three children and later rescued from a fire which swept an area near Boring, this state. The fire is still burning as are the ruins of the big Pacific International Livestock Pavilion, which was destroyed yesterday with a loss of \$500,000.

2,000,000 CARS MADE FIRST HALF OF YEAR

Figures Slightly Below 1923 Record; Exports Increase; Outlook Good

BUFFALO, July 24.—June production of motor vehicles, as reported to the meeting of the directors of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce here, brought the total for the first six months of this year to 2,002,084 or within 1 1/2 per cent of the number made in the first half of 1923, which was 2,011,093. The June figure, based on shipping reports, is 249,868.

May Sets New Export Mark The most favorable factor in the automobile world is the steady increase in exports, which reached a new high total in May. Passenger cars exported from the United States and Canada (plants in which United States companies are financially interested) totaled 18,665, compared with 18,123 in April. The truck figure was 3,800, compared with 3,170 in April. Assemblies of American cars in foreign countries reached 12,850.

Production schedules in June, which tapered off to 20 per cent under May, are on a conservative basis. Excellent prospects for cotton in some parts of the South, favorable crop outlook in the corn and wheat belts, and good farming conditions in New England are expected to further strengthen the market in the Fall.

Production of cars and trucks for 1923 and 1924 was as follows: 1923 1924 January 243,554 316,222 February 275,955 367,524 March 355,072 382,456 April 382,746 373,199 May 394,190 312,813 June 378,875 249,868

BLIND SCHOOL UPHELD BY STATE BOARD

SALEM, July 24.—Conditions at the school for the adult blind in Portland are satisfactory despite complaints that were filed by ex-employees, according to members of the state board of control, who made an investigation. It had been charged that Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Goodin had discharged 26 employees and that many of the inmates were not satisfied with conditions. These charges were found to be groundless, members of the board said.

The board ordered minor improvements in the workshops and suggested changes in the regulations adopted by the superintendent. Members said the enrollment at the institution was increasing.

CLATSOP COUNTY CATTLE INFECTED WITH BLACKLEG

ASTORIA, July 24.—Two cases of "blackleg," a disease almost invariably fatal to cattle, have been noted recently in the lower Columbia district. One infection was reported from Olney, a few miles south of Astoria, and another from Skamokawa, Wash. Veterinarians here say the disease results from a bacillus which lives in the soil and infection comes when pasture shortage causes stock to crop too close to the ground.

COMPULSORY INSURANCE BILL IS HIT

Broadside of Negative Arguments Filed Against Measure

"IS MONOPOLISTIC" Naturopath Bill Also Attacked by Arguments Filed by the Opposition

SALEM, July 24.—The attempt to make the Oregon workmen's compensation act compulsory through an initiated measure on the ballot next November is made the target for a broadside of negative argument—three such being filed with Secretary of State Kozer for inclusion in the official voters' pamphlet.

One of these is filed by Will H. Kirk, former member of the state industrial accident commission, who declared that the present act is "one of the most beneficial pieces of legislation ever enacted in this state," but who sees in the proposed new measure some features that "would destroy the good that already has been gained."

A second is filed by the Oregon Industrial Accident Commission, of which James W. Crawford is secretary, and a third submitted by the Insurance Federation of Oregon.

Appeal Denied Kirk in his argument declares that the proposed amendment denies fair and equal compensation to injured workers for like injuries, opens the way for the ambulance chasing lawyers by constituting the accident commission a court of last resort and makes it impossible for the employer to know with any degree of certainty what his insurance under the state fund will cost him.

The argument the Insurance Federation makes stamps this organization as "opposed to monopolistic state fund insurance because it is un-American in principle; it abridges the right of private contract; is the opening wedge of socialism, destroying private initiative and individual effort and tends to annihilate the feeling of self-reliance, the habit of thrift and all thought for the future."

The Oregon Industrial Accident committee in its argument declares that "we are not fighting workmen's compensation, nor the law now in force in Oregon, but what we are fighting is the particular proposed constitutional amendment now on the ballot. The advocates of that measure have no right to pose as the peculiar or special friends of workmen's compensation. They are (Continued on page 4)

APPLE GROWERS EXPECT TO GET FAIR PRICE

WHITE SALMON, Wash., July 24.—Baker & Co., local apple packers and buyers, have purchased 3000 boxes of King David apples for export to Manila. Other buyers are in the field and growers are hopeful they will receive a fair profit this year.

FRUIT AND PRODUCE TWO WEEKS EARLY

Early Canning Urged in Bulletin Issued by Local Fruit Association

Practically all varieties of fruit and produce are two weeks early, according to a warning contained in a bulletin issued Wednesday by the Ashland Fruit and Produce association to its customers. Seasonal varieties of fruit and produce will be gone before it is realized that they are on the market, according to the bulletin, which adds that the association's customers should advise their patrons to do their canning and preserving early. Housewives are also advised not to be too particular about sizes, as the drought and water shortage has made everything run heavily to small sizes.

FIERCE FIRE UNDER CONTROL IN SISKIYOU

DUNSMUIR, July 24.—A large forest fire burning on the Castle Crags Lumber Company's property on Big Castle Creek, two miles west of Castella, was reported under control today. It started yesterday morning and fanned by a strong south breeze, burned fiercely on both sides of Big Castle Creek, destroying considerable virgin timber at the foot of Castle Crags. More than 250 men from all towns in the southern part of the county aided in fighting the flames. Many were drafted by Ranger Soler of Sisson. The fire burned over 500 acres in a few hours.

AIRPLANE CRASHES TO GROUND; TWO KILLED

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 24.—Roger Gouldy and L. Farnsworth were instantly killed near here last night when an airplane in which they were riding, crashed 100 feet to the ground. The men were returning from Sand Point, Wash., and the engine stopped when the plane attempted to loop the loop.

ASHLAND BOASTS CRACK SHOOTERS

May Get 1915 World Champion Shot to Join Local National Guard

The Medford Company A. National Guard boys easily out-rifled the Ashland artillery riflemen in a match shoot Sunday out at the Ashland rifle range, says the Mail Tribune. The Medford men are practicing now for the state shoot at Clackamas, August 17, from which the state team will be picked to be sent back to the national meet at Camp Perry, Ohio.

When shows the statement from the Medford paper, Dave Sargent, of the Ashland company declared that the shoot held Sunday was not, in any sense, competitive. There were twenty-five Medford guardsmen, while Ashland was represented by five. Targets fired at by the two companies were not officially compared, but it is said that one Ashland man made a higher individual score than anyone in either company.

Living in Ashland are Dobbin Irwin, world's best shoot in 1915, Harry McNair, high point man of the Idaho team at Camp Perry some years ago, and Lee Porter, who made the Oregon team in 1915, but was unable to go to the national shoot.

Efforts are being made to get these three, and other crack Ashland shots, to join the local company. If this is done, it is thought that the Ashland men will have an excellent chance to send several men to the national shoot at Camp Perry.

Although the Ashland company is an artillery unit, it boasts several expert riflemen, and last year, Captain J. Q. Adams was one of the Oregon men who tried for the national championship.

POLICE CHIEF TAKES M'CLOUD CAR THIEF

Exactly twenty minutes after he had been notified to be on the lookout for a Ford car stolen from McCloud by Edwin Gustafson, Chief of Police McNabb had placed the youth under arrest.

Gustafson, who says he is 16, but does not remember whether he was born in 1905 or 1907, yesterday stole the machine from Frances Curren, of McCloud, he told the police. He had been working in McCloud and said he was going to Portland. Yesterday he took the machine. Gustafson said he had an aunt, Miss Beth Trask, in McCloud, and said his mother was in Idaho. In 1917, he told the police, his father was killed by an electric shock while repairing an alarm box for the Portland fire department.

An involuntary guest last night at the city jail was Otto Vandenburg, arrested by Chief McNabb for trespassing on the property of the Southern Pacific.

IRRIGATION HEARING IS SET FOR AUGUST 6

PORTLAND, July 24.—A letter from Governor Pierce to W. D. B. Dodson, general manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, today informed him that he had set August 6 as the date for the preliminary hearing for the North Unit irrigation project. The meeting will be held in the governor's offices at Salem. Harry Guard and George H. Curry were visitors in Ashland Tuesday in the interest of the North Unit project, and are making a tour of southern Oregon in an effort to create sentiment favoring the project.

TIMBER SHORT FOR NATRON CUTOFF WORK

BEND, July 24.—Workers drilling under the Cascade divide on the Natron cutoff at the west end of Odell lake are encountering so much water that a large amount of timber is being required to line the tube. There are not sufficient trees along the right of way to provide the amount of lumber needed, contractors state.

EXCLUSION LAW IS MENACE TO WORLD PEACE

Hope of Enduring Peace in Pacific Blasted, Thinks General Bruce

RIGHT IS ADMITTED Declares Results of Washington Conference Are Negated By Law

LONDON, July 24.—Passage of the immigration law, with its Japanese exclusion clause, by the Congress of the United States has sounded the death knell of any immediate hope of enduring peace in the Far East, according to Brigadier General C. D. Bruce, a leading British authority on Oriental problems.

Beneficial results achieved by the Washington Conference, General Bruce believes, have been negated, and the whole question of Far East relations again thrown into the troubled sea of international politics. "It will, indeed, be the irony of fate," writes General Bruce, in the current issue of the Asiatic Review, "if the nation to whose initiative was due the one concrete effort to produce peace by reducing armaments should be the nation to postpone for at least another generation any hope of permanent peace in the Far East. Yet America's action over the new immigration law can have no other effect."

"By this it is not suggested that war in the Pacific is imminent, but that any faint hope which existed of the permanency of work done by the Washington Conference has been blown away like sea mist on a summer morning."

Admit Right General Bruce proceeds to state what is generally admitted by all British commentators who have discussed the new immigration law—namely, that America's right to pass such laws cannot be questioned. Nor, General Bruce adds, can it be suggested that America is to blame. The crux of the matter, he declares, is the seeming affront to Japanese pride of race and position.

"Any question becomes politically dangerous when it involves the self-respect of a proud and sly people like the Japanese," General Bruce continues. "When, also, the question is of such national importance as to unite as one man otherwise irreconcilable parties in the body politic, no other nation can, in these days of rapid intercommunication, pretend to be indifferent."

In an attempt to analyze the cause of "America's precipitate action," General Bruce suggests three possible motives. "It is simply race hatred—in other words, the color question?" he asks. "Is it the unarguable, age-long animosity between East and West? Or is it merely the economic impossibility of mixing both in one country under similar conditions and laws? It is probable that the latter of these suggested causes is nearer the truth, though it can hardly be denied that something of the spirit of all three permeates today the anti-Japanese feeling in America."

Japan's admitted need for an outlet for her surplus population is one of the causes of her resentment against exclusion from the United States, Australia and other "white" countries, General Bruce believes, but the main cause, so far as Japanese national feeling toward the United States is concerned, is the "method chosen by America to enforce this doctrine." Future consequences, he believes, will be far-reaching.

"Whirlwind" Coming "To sow seeds of ultimate conflict between two friendly nations as part of a political campaign is only later on to reap the whirlwind," General Bruce concludes, after pointing out that the exigencies of the present political campaign in the United States may have influenced the action of Congress. "Anti-Japanese feeling on the Pacific Coast goes deeper than any political wave. It has aptly been described as 'the most tremendous problem confronting the world.' It is neither more nor less than that."

From Shale City—

An Ashland visitor from Shale City yesterday and today was Mrs. J. R. Woods.