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SMITH, HOLMES WITNESSES IN BAPTIST CASE

Plaintiffs Presenting Case in Local Church Row

TO LAST OVER WEEK

Smith Testifies Brown's Manual Used as Basis for Creed in Local Church

V. O. N. Smith, local banker, and H. P. Holmes, another member of the Ashland Baptist church faction were the first witnesses put on the stand yesterday by Attorney William M. Briggs, local attorney, at the opening of the case of the Ashland Baptist church vs. First Baptist church of Ashland, Inc., being heard this week in circuit court, before Circuit Judge C. M. Thomas.

Smith and Holmes are witnesses for the plaintiffs in the action, opposed to Rev. B. C. Miller, and his followers, formerly associated with the plaintiffs in the Baptist church, and who are now following the Atmore McPherson or "Four Square Gospel" creed.

Smith testified that in 1921, the Baptist church here had adopted the Newton Brown Baptist manual. This is a manual of faith and practice, and it was believed that this evidence was introduced in an effort to refute any future evidence which may be brought in by the defendants, alleging that, since no creed is set forth to be followed by Baptists, any creed may be followed in the church. A history of the break in the local Baptist church was given by Smith, in his testimony, he declaring that certain members of the original congregation were ousted from the church since they refused to accept the McPherson teachings.

Holmes and Smith also testified concerning the conducting of the "tarry" meetings, and offered, what they declared to be the objectionable features of these meetings.

It is apparent that the plaintiffs will not complete their case for at least three or four days, after which the defendants will be given opportunity of presenting their witnesses, among whom, it is believed, will

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SKELETON IS FOUND NEAR G. PASS, SUICIDE BELIEVED

GRANTS PASS, Jan. 19.—(U. P.)—A skeleton in a pleated khaki suit, the skeleton of an unknown man was found Sunday, a short distance west of the Louse creek road where it passes over the summit of the hill. All attempts at identification yesterday were unavailing and the body was laid to rest in Pottery field, with only a brief funeral service. Suicide was clearly indicated, as a rope, still noosed, hung from a branch of a big oak tree, just over the place where the skeleton was discovered.

Although the clothing was still in good condition, Coroner L. B. Hall believes that the skeleton had been there since the summer of 1924. As the man had not been missed and papers were found on the corpse which indicated residence in California. Mr. Hall gave his opinion that the man was a transient of middle age. The only papers which gave any clue to the man's home or which might help in identification were some mining notices which had been printed by the Searchlight

Long Hunt For Pretty Face Ends at Jail

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Two years ago Rudolph Raymond fell in love with the picture of a girl on a Red Cross poster in Rome. He learned that the model for the poster was an American girl and he crossed the ocean to find her. In newspapers, magazines, the movies and along the streets he looked always for the face of his dreams. Finally he saw it smiling at him from the window of a photographer's shop. The photographer supplied the name and Raymond called her on the telephone. Possibly because she already was married, she was deaf to his importunities and when he persisted in his telephone calls she had him arrested today. He was held for arraignment tomorrow.

FRENCH BLAST DAMASCUS TO STOP REBELS

City Declared to be on Edge of Famine Result of Firing

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19.—(U. P.)—The French today bombarded the Shagour quarter of Damascus, according to reports received here. Many persons are reported to have perished as a result of the heavy firing. Heavy damage was inflicted in this, the second big bombardment of this ancient city, in recent months.

The best obtainable information, says that the French have laid siege to the city, upon the allegation that the inhabitants have been assisting the rebels. The heavy bombardment was the culmination of the siege, and many structures are reported in ruins. The siege had reduced the population to a virtual state of famine before the bombardment came, and some of the starving populace had sought to quit their dwellings and escape through the French troops.

GRANTS PASS, SUICIDE BELIEVED

Publishing company at Redding. A wicker suitcase nearby contained a shaving outfit, toothbrush, a few other toilet articles, underwear and a bathing suit. The presence of the swimming suit in the suitcase led Mr. Hall to believe that it was summer when the suicide occurred.

The man had evidently been prospecting, judging by the suit he wore and the presence of the mining notices, which he had never opened. There was no camp equipment near and the authorities stated that he had probably left a camp further back in the hills, there being several shacks along the ridge to the west. The skull was found first by A. F. Pederson, of the Crystal Springs farm. The man had left the trail and had hanged himself to a tree about 50 yards away. He had apparently jumped 12 or 15 feet from the lower limb of the tree, breaking his neck as he fell. The skull had later rolled to the bottom of a steep grade, the rest of the skeleton being found under the tree where it had first fallen.

Mr. Average American



Above are shown the U. S. Census Bureau's requirements for the Average American, and Cecil Alfred Johnson, of Whitehall, Indiana, who meets nearly every one of them. His home is near the exact center of population of the United States.

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS FETED BY CHAMBER

Barnard Joy, First Prize Winner Speaks Before Chamber

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—Fundamental facts of marketing and co-operative enterprises have been learned by thousands of farmers and farm youths throughout the state as a result of the marketing essay contests, the finals of which were held at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday night. Such is the opinion voiced Sunday by E. E. Faville, head of the agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and H. C. Seymour of the Oregon Agricultural college extension divisions, who were actively in charge of the contest.

Seven boys and three girls took part in the final contest, which was staged jointly by the Chamber of Commerce, Oregon State Bankers' association and the Oregon Agricultural college extension division. Lessons on the subject of marketing, prepared by Dr. Hector Macpherson of Oregon Agricultural college, were studied for some months before the contest by 10,000 members of the boys' and girls' clubs.

Parents of the club members have reported that they have informed themselves on the subject by studying the lessons, also. In fact, so satisfactory are the results of the affair that the three organizations behind the contest have already made arrangements for a similar effort next year.

The winners in the contest finals were:
 High school division—First, Barnard Joy, Ashland; second, Othel Stroud, Eugene; third, Elizabeth Dunning, Portland; fourth, Francis Ekstrom, Gresham; and fifth, Adolph Benscheldt, Tillamook.
 Grade school division—First, Eleanor Wilner, Gresham; second, Winslow Stillwell, Tillamook; third, George Turner, Portland; fourth, Rex Eldson, Eugene; and fifth, Raymond Kortge, Dufur.
 In his winning essay Barnard Joy, Ashland high school representative, sketched the growth of the present economic system and pointed out the importance of the farmer adjusting himself to marketing conditions if he is to succeed. With free lands, exhausted and the fertility of the soil being destroyed, producers of the

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"Waist Line" Now Adopted by Mere Man

LONDON, Jan. 19.—The "waist line" in dress not only is being revived for women, but man is adopting the idea, which up to the present has been in vogue among the more smartly dressed army officers. Youths about town are wearing double breasted coats with a sharp waist line, and the latest dress and dinner jackets are cut on the same lines.
 For the man afflicted with superfluous flesh, the stores are selling "obesity girdles" so they can wear clothes giving an appearance of a "waist" while "banting" has also been popular.

CIVIC CLUB TO STAGE MATINEE HERE FRIDAY

"A Set of Turquoise" and "Asylum Ball" to be Given

"A Set of Turquoise" is the title of a play in three scenes which will be given at the special matinee at the Vining Theater on Friday of this week. The scene is laid in an Italian garden where the Count Lara and his wife are spending their honeymoon. Difficulties arise over the set of turquoise which the bride wishes and the husband feels he cannot afford.

A second play, the "Asylum Ball" is built around two characters who have met at a ball in an asylum and each one feels that the other is an inmate. In both of these plays, Mrs. W. M. Foley and Mrs. F. D. Wagner take the parts, and all who have seen these two finished addresses know what a treat is in store at this matinee.
 In addition to the above plays the regular Vining film will be shown. The matinee is put on under the auspices of the Civic Improvement Club and only ladies will be admitted.

Heppner—New Morrow General Hospital here opened to the public.

MR. AVERAGE AMERICAN IS FOUND AT LAST

Whitehall, Indiana Man, Fits Exactly all Figures

IN POPULATION CENTER

Cecil Alfred Johnson is Claimed as Average American Fitting All Requirements

By ROY J. GIBBONS
 NEA Service Writer
 WHITEHALL, Ind., Jan. 19.—At last—that Average American Citizen you have heard so much about has been found.

He lives in this remote village of 50 inhabitants, eight miles from a railroad line. He pays \$3 a month rent for his home. He is married and has four children. He believes in God and says this country is the best in the world. His name is Cecil Alfred Johnson. Besides being the closest resident to the national center of population, Johnson qualifies closely to all the characteristics the U. S. Census Bureau says the Average American Citizen must have.

The center of population of the United States is a big tree 1.9 miles west of Whitehall. Mathematicians have figured it out to a hair's breadth. It shifts from year to year. Johnson lives little more than a mile from the exact center.

The Average American should earn \$2150. Johnson earns \$2100.

The Average American should be about 26 years old and weigh 148-152 pounds. His complexion should be "intermediate." He should be a mechanic.

Johnson is 28 and has four children instead of the required three, but the rest of the data fits him like a glove. Even his complexion and that of his wife fit the census requirements exactly.

Mrs. Average American is supposed to be a few months under 25. Mrs. Johnson is 25. Her height, weight and complexion are almost identical with those arrived at by the census bureau—statistics that were arrived at after examination of 2,000 subjects whose forefathers had been Americans for three generations.

Farming ranks second to mechanical trades in the bureau's list of gainful occupations. Johnson has been a farmer, too, and right now occasionally pitches in when a neighbor needs a hand.

The chief aim of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson is to rear their children to useful citizenship. Neither has any use for rouge.

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Winifred Granted Divorce From Rudy. Don't Rush Ladies!

PARIS, Jan. 19.—(U. P.)—Winifred Hudnut, wife of the film star, Rudolph Valentino, has obtained a divorce from him. Valentino sailed for the United States today, aboard the Leviathan.

The granting of the divorce became certain a few days ago, after Mrs. Valentino presented letters, which the French court held proved that Valentino was the responsible party in the marital separation.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—(U. P.)—Free from Rudolph Valentino, film star, Winifred Hudnut will "think a long time" before she marries again, she said here today.

June, December



The elopement of Mrs. Elizabeth Mathews Richardson, 54, Chicago settlement worker, and Rev. Stanley W. Graf, 24, Congregationalist minister, has just been disclosed. They were married secretly several days ago and are on their honeymoon in Indiana. Mrs. Graf's first husband died in 1903. The young minister was ordained last June.

ASHLAND WINS EASY GO WITH MERRILL FIVE

In Spite of Soft Opposition, Locals Show Little Form

In spite of the fact that they were up against a team which offered little or no resistance, the Ashland high school quintet last night made one of the most miserable showings any high school five has ever put on on a local floor. That they won from the Merrill high quintet, 52-5, means little. In fact, had the Merrill tossers been able to locate the basket, they would have given the locals a real run for their money, and probably would have finished in front. They averaged nearly two shots to the Ashland outposts one, but the local tossers were more lucky in dumping in the markers.

Al Marske bore the brunt of the scoring for the Ashland five, but even he went haywire in the second half and missed shot after shot.

But twice during the entire tussle did the Ashland five start

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OREGON HITS NEW RECORD FOR OVERSEAS SHIPPING

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—During the third quarter year ended September 30, 1925, the state of Oregon shipped merchandise overseas amounting to \$12,859,121, as compared with \$7,224,368 for the preceding three-month period, according to statistics released today by the Department of Commerce.

Missouri, which in the second quarter of the year led Oregon in exports by approximately \$7,000,000, was nosed out in the three-month period under discussion, by the latter state which won twentieth place in the race of all the states to supply foreign markets. The increase over the preceding

THOMPSON SAYS SOUTHERN ORE. FIGHTS ALONE

Must Act as Unit in Getting Tourist Travel Here

NO HELP IS COMING

Delegates to Convention Here Today Speak at Forum Luncheon

"We might as well realize right now, that we in Southern Oregon are a separate scenic unit, and that we are not going to get a great deal of aid from other sections of the state in exploiting our resources. Oregon has many scenic units, and each must work for itself before it can work for others, and have others work for it," said Colonel C. G. Thomson, superintendent of Crater Lake National Park, at the chamber of commerce Forum luncheon today.

Thomson declared that as yet there is no organized effort on the part of Southern Oregon to help itself, but that he hoped that before long, such action would be taken.

Herbert Cuthbert, manager of the publicity department of the Portland chamber of commerce, gave a brief outline of the work to be done in advertising the entire Pacific Coast. He declared that the various organizations of the coast had organized, with the idea of advertising in the east, showing that one state had fewer assets than three states, and could therefore advertise them to better advantage to attract the tourist.

A resume of the work already completed, and the work which is expected to be completed in the near future, at the Oregon Caves, was given by George Sabin, manager of the Oregon Caves Resort.

Among other improvements, Sabin said it was believed that before long the Caves would be lighted by electricity, and that pipe lines would be run into the caves, in order that the walls might be washed down and the trails cleaned of all mud and dirt.

The annual report of the Park Commission was made by W. H. McNair, secretary of the board.

Delegates to the convention of resort owners and managers, and of others interested in the boosting of tourist travel through Southern Oregon, were welcomed to the meeting by Mayor O. H. Johnson, who was toastmaster at the meeting.

CARDINAL MERCIER REPORTED BITTER

BRUSSELS, Jan. 19.—(U. P.)—The condition of Cardinal Mercier is slightly improved here today.