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VICTIM OF HOLY ROLLERISM

Geo. Mitchell, the Slayer of Creffield, is Killed by His Sister.

Esther Mitchell shot and killed her brother Geo., the slayer of Frank Edmund Creffield, in the Union depot at Seattle at 4:20 Thursday afternoon, as her and her brother Perry were going to the train to take them to Portland.

The three brothers, Geo., Perry and Fred were together in the depot when Perry noticed the sister standing in the room and went up and spoke to her, and was joined by the others and Geo. shook hands with his sister without either speaking, they then started for the train, Geo. and Perry walking in front and Fred and the sister behind. She had on her arm a cappa which her brother offered to carry for her. Just as she turned the cappa over to him she drew from beneath it a revolver, which she took in her right hand and aiming quickly at Geo. shot him behind the left ear, killing him instantly. As quick as Fred saw the gun, he grabbed at it, but was too late, but he prevented a second shot and the girl fell in his arms.

The same policeman that had arrested Geo. Mitchell for killing Creffield, also arrested Esther. After being taken to the Police station she made the following statement.

"I do not regret it. I am glad I did it. I fired once and tried to fire another, but there was such a loud noise made by the crowd I don't know whether I fired again or not.

"I shot him in the head and I knew if I hit where I intended to it was sure death.

"I intended to follow him to Portland if I did not shoot him, here.

"I killed Geo. because he killed an innocent man, and because he has ruined my reputation by saying that Creffield seduced me."

Mrs. Creffield bought the revolver and planned with Esther that the one that had the first opportunity should kill George. She went gunning for Mitchell but did not have an opportunity to kill him, and Esther made a previous attempt but could not get the gun out to aim. Knowing her brother would want to see her before she left she deliberately planned with Mrs. Creffield how she would kill him and succeeded. After her arrest detectives went for Mrs. Creffield and she told substantially the

same story.

Band Boys will Have Outing at Newport.

R. Burns Powell of Mouthouth writes to find out if any of the band boys will join to make up a band to play at Newport this summer. The boys will be furnished transportation and their board while there, and there is a chance for a pleasant time for them to have a nice outing and at no expense.

Griffin and Veatch Co. are going to have a monster sign on the east wall of their store before long.

Dr. C. T. Hockett is spending his vacation at Youcalla and Dr. Best is attending his work while he is gone.

The freight men take the weather especially to heart and bear a decided grudge against the weather prophet.

Mrs. C. P. Christenson, wife of the bookkeeper for the J. H. Chambers mill at Ales is making a visit in Portland.

United States District Attorney Bristol has received his commission from the president, and the charges against him were refuted.

Portland is sure that in spite of the Washington Railroad Commission it will be able to control the shipment of wheat, and that the majority of wheat shipments will continue to come through Portland.

Tom and Harry Parker took up a big load of provision to the mine this week. They are much pleased with the outlook on the property and hope to have a great mine some day.

Messrs LeRoy Woods and Roy Welch are aspiring for high honors in teaching ladies to swim. They are experienced and are thinking of starting a swimming school, and no doubt will win great fame in their new field.

Mrs. Alton and Robert Alton, the wife and son of Dr. R. D. Alton of Livingston, Mont., who is one of the partners in the firm of the Russel & Rogers Co. arrived in this city on Thursday. The same day Mrs. F. L. Mintie of Oswego, Ore., came here and both ladies were met by Mrs. Fred Russel and on Friday morning were taken up to the summer camp above Dorena, where Mr. and Mrs. Russel are so pleasantly spending their summer, while Mr. Russel gives his personal supervision to the Chambers Lumber Co. The camp is now quite a big family reunion, and a jollier time could not be imagined than the party are having.

CONFESSED CONSPIRACY

Mrs. Creffield and Esther Mitchell Conspired and Planned for Geo. Mitchell's Life.

Mrs. Creffield confessed having bought a pistol with the deliberate intention of killing Mitchell and after her nerve weakened Esther Mitchell offered to do it, and even planned to follow him to Portland even if necessary to ask him for the necessary funds to go, in order that she might get the chance she wanted.

With such a confession, neither woman can hardly hope to evade the prison as Mitchell did. The most able physicians have examined both women and declare them sane, except upon Holy Rollerism.

The Seattle Judge who presided in the Mitchell case, blames the jury for freeing Mitchell, and giving the women a chance to avenge Creffield's death.

Where will the range of this terrible cult die. It would seem right that the whole lot should be shut up forever by the government.

Miss Marguerite Jones returned Friday from Oakland.

Miss Lulu Willard returned from New Era the first of the week.

W. A. Wotherspoon, a real estate man of Denver, Colorado is visiting his mother here, and says he is so pleased with Oregon and Portland in particular that he thinks he will settle in the Ross City.

Congress before it closed appropriated \$250,000 for continuing the work of building the Celilo canal. In a few years that work will be completed and vessels will be able to go from Portland clear up the Columbia for a long distance.

Joe Baker says his summer shop at the Red Bridge has the finest location in Oregon, and he does not miss it much. He will have his forge ready for business by Sunday. He expects to make a stake this summer with the lively business in town and in shoeing the teams that haul to the mines.

The new bank building is going up rapidly. The brick work is all completed, with the exception of the roof of the vault. The carpenters are at work and expect to have everything in shape by the 15th of August. The building is to be finished up in first class shape and all such things take time.

Mrs. J. T. Allison came in on the local Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Coffman spent Sunday in Walker.

Miss Ethel Cottle spent Sunday and Monday visiting at New Era.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlow of Star were visitors in town on Saturday.

Geo. A. Steel, treasurer-elect of Oregon has filed his bond of \$5,000.

Chas. C. Conner and Miss Alice Huff are to be married at 4 o'clock Sunday.

Miss Ida Barrett returned on Monday night's local from a short business trip to Portland.

The council expects to collect about \$3,000 from property holders for street improvements on 4th and 5th street.

Arrangements have been made for the payment of the Willamette Valley University debt, so that the institution will be able to go ahead with its work, without any annoyance of such a kind.

Mr. G. B. Hengen of New York, principal owner of the O & S E R R and heavily interested in the Oregon Securities Co. arrived from Portland on Tuesday afternoon, and immediately went up to Bohemia with A. B. Wood and J. A. Eade.

Ben Trygstad is now located in Portland in the wood and coal business, but writes that he misses his camp at the Oregon-Colorado and says he will be back in the fall. He is much pleased with his business there, and is looking forward to the day when the camp will be a large camp among the large ones of the country.

Damewood Brothers had a new box made for the stage that runs from the Red Bridge to Bohemia on Saturday. The new box gives plenty of room for three seats and a small amount of baggage and is strong and firm. Eby & Markley did the work on a rush order, so that Joe could drive out Saturday night, and be ready with the wagon for the regular run Monday.

Foresters Picnic.

Great camp is prepared for Forester Picnic Sunday. The Foresters expect an immense turnout tomorrow at their picnic. They have got the grounds all arranged for and a troop of Foresters will go up early and have everything in readiness for the picnickers, so that their comforts can easily be attended to. The railroad has granted a low rate, one and one-third round trip, and a great crowd is expected. Go along and cool off.

CLAIMS IN FOREST RESERVE

How Homestead Claims in Forest Reserve are Handled Under New Law.

There is considerable misunderstanding in regard to the proper procedure to homestead agricultural land included in a forest reserve under the provisions of the act of Congress of June 11, 1906. The following information and instructions bearing on the subject have been issued by the Forester to the Forest Supervisors throughout the west.

No claims can be initiated for agricultural land in forest reserves until it is classified as chiefly valuable for agriculture, listed in the local Land Office and opened by the Secretary of the Interior, in accordance with the act of June 11, 1906. Applications for classification and listing must be mailed to the Forester, Washington, D. C., by the applicants, and will secure to them a preference right of settlement and entry unless the land was occupied by a bona fide settler prior to January 1, 1906, in which case the settler has the preference right.

MUST DESCRIBE LAND.

All application must give the name of the forest reserve and describe the land, examination of which is requested by legal subdivisions, section, township and range if surveyed and if not surveyed, by reference to natural objects, streams or improvements with sufficient accuracy to identify the land.

Only one tract of land will be examined on the application of the same person, but if it is rejected or withdrawn a second application will be considered for other land. Applications received at Washington in the same mail for the examination of the same tract of land will be treated as simultaneous. Notice of all conflicting applications will be given.

Areas known to have been occupied by actual settlers prior to January 1, 1907, will be examined first and when such areas are found chiefly valuable for agriculture, they will be listed in order that the occupants may make entry under the act. The mere fact that a person has settled upon the land will not influence the decision with respect to its agricultural character. Settlers must not expect to include valuable timber land in the entries. Settlement made after January 1,

1806, and in advance of opening by the Secretary of the Interior is not authorized by the act will confer no rights and will be trespass.

"Settlement and entry under the act will be within the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, who will issue appropriate instructions.

HOME OF THE CLAIMANT.

"Homestead claimants are required to live upon and to cultivate or graze the land embraced in their claims. The Interior Department excuses temporary absences when rendered necessary, but they must be the exception and not the rule, and the land embraced in the entry must be used for the home of the claimant to the exclusion of a home elsewhere. Lands may not be appropriated and patented under the homestead laws if entrymen use them merely for grazing headquarters during a few weeks or months each year and maintain their homes elsewhere."—Oregonian.

Dr. Oglesby was at the train on Friday to meet friends.

A good many people are striking for the hills these days.

C. Ross King went down to Youcalla on the afternoon train Friday on business.

Frank Jordan has a new barber, one of his own training, and has wanted to do the job up right.

Camp furniture, stools and cots, everything to make camp life comfortable at Veatch & Lawson's.

Anybody who has a shady porch that can be utilized into a dining room is in great luck these days.

Hammocks of all kinds at Veatch & Lawson's. Let your folks at home keep cool in the hammocks.

G. O. McGilvray has been down to look over his new position, and rented a house and will move with his family, so as to be ready to commence his new work on the 1st day of September.

The Oregon Mineral Springs are doing a rushing business these days. The business is steadily growing and Mr. Geer predicts a great future for the springs. The camp at London is very lively, and the summer visitors are getting a great deal of good from their stay there.

Manager Herbert Leigh, President L. N. Rooney and Geo. Midgley a heavy stockholder of the North Fairview Company, all of them of Eugene were in the city Thursday and on Friday went up to Bohemia to visit their property, and to plan for further work. The gentlemen were glad to be able to get in the hills at this warm time.

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