

ATTORNEY RALPH FISHER MURDERED BY FINCH

Nov. 28.—J. A. Finch, an attorney who was disbarred for one year by the State Bar Association, was shot and killed Ralph B. Fisher, a young lawyer designated to act as prosecutor for the Bar Association case against Finch.

Fisher was disbarred on Wednesday and today he went to his office in the Mohawk building. He went into Fisher's office and fired three shots at his prosecutor, one bullet striking in the temple, killing Fisher instantly.

Finch attempted to escape, but a group of people, attracted by the shooting, barred his way. He was taken to a police station.

Finch has been prominent in reform and civic movements. At a recent meeting of the State Bar Association attempted to secure a strong endorsement of Francis Heney, based on the promise made to kill the well-known prosecutor.

Finch was a prominent attorney of Portland, and was the brother-in-law of Mrs. J. M. Shelley, and a brother-in-law of O. P. Coshov, of Roseburg. He leaves a wife and one child. Finch, the murderer, does not bear a good reputation and the bar association pressed its charges against him.

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CHINA'S LATE EMPEROR, DOWAGER EMPRESS AND NEW REGENT

Before the outside world had been apprised of the particulars of the death of the Chinese emperor and the aged dowager empress, Prince Chun had assumed the regency and his three-year-old son, Prince Pu Yi, had been elevated to the throne. The succession of the infant to the chief seat in the empire was in accordance with a promise given by the dowager empress soon after the marriage of Prince Chun in 1903. It is believed that under the regency of Chun progress will take root with renewed vigor in the Yellow empire and that China will enter upon an era of advancement such as she has never known.

HUNDREDS LOSE LIVES IN GREAT MINE EXPLOSION

Pittsburg, Nov. 28.—A series of mine explosions occurred today in the mine of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Company at Marianna, Washington county, and while nothing is known of the number of fatalities, it is believed that many lost their lives. Reports from Marianna say that between 200 and 300 men were in the mine. The offices of the company it is said about 100 were in the mine.

At 1 o'clock, an hour and a half after the accident, dense clouds of smoke were pouring from the two shafts of the mine, but there was not a sign of a miner.

Special trains from this city and Monongahela are bound for the scene of the latest appliances from the new United States laboratory of this city, recently tested in saving life in mine explosions, are being carried along. A majority of the miners are Americans and their families are at the mouth of the pit in a frenzy.

Marianna was recently built at a great cost, and is said to be the most perfect mining town in the world.

LATER DETAILS

According to officials of the company State Mine Inspector Louttit and Mine Foreman Kennedy had just completed a two-days' examination of the mine and had come from the mine only three minutes before the explosion occurred. The iron cage in which the men went from the surface to the workings below was blown three hundred feet from the mouth of the shaft, two men in the cage being killed. But little hope is entertained for the men entombed.

According to the state inspector between 180 and 200 men were in the mine when the explosion occurred, while other authoritative sources make the number 275.

Shortly after 2 o'clock word from the Marianna rescue party was to the effect that they had succeeded in entering the mine and are attempting to force their way through the debris to where the miners were caught. It is not considered likely that any will be rescued alive.

BIG ATTENDANCE AT GOOD ROADS CONVENTION TODAY

Judge Scott, of Monroe County, Was the Principal Speaker

The good roads convention scheduled for this city opened in the court room at 1 o'clock this afternoon with every seat in the large auditorium occupied.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. L. L. Whitson, who stated the object of the occasion, dwelling briefly upon the good roads movement throughout the state. The doctor then called the chairman of the convention, M. Svarerud, to the chair, who made a few remarks and then introduced Judge Scott of Salem, who was the principal speaker of the day.

The judge opened his remarks by telling of the action of the convention held in Portland a short time ago and the action of that convention in arranging for a campaign for the betterment of the roads.

Judge Scott explained how three committees had been appointed and bills to be introduced in the coming legislature applying for appropriations for road improvement, etc. He advocated the appointment of a highway commission to be composed of three members—one from Eastern Oregon, and one from Southern Oregon and one from the Willamette Valley—one of whom was to be a practical engineer and have general supervision of road work in the whole state. He explained that a levy of one mill was to be asked for and which would accumulate a fund of \$100,000 yearly and that road improvement was to be paid for as follows: Three-eighths by the state, three-eighths by the county and each property owner abutting on the road completed one-quarter each.

The speaker explained how roads should be built and showed a profile map of construction. He advocated the use of convict labor in road construction, also that all tramps found should be given terms of twenty-four or sixty days on the roads. He said he was in favor of having two quarries operated by convict labor and stated that the cost would be but 45 to 55 cents per day for each convict at work in the quarries and that amount would be over guarding and feed.

Judge Scott then read the preamble of a paper prepared for signatures of those willing to assist in the formation of a good roads league here and Jack Rodman and Geo. A. Dorris passed same along the audience for signatures.

After a few more remarks the speaker concluded and after music by the band, Chairman Svarerud called upon Judge Christman who responded with a five minute talk.

After the remarks by our county judge the following also made five-minute talks in the order named: Joel McCormack, Geo. A. Dorris, J. Heeb, John H. Hartog, H. A. Bowers, G. D. Linn, F. W. Osburn, Jack Rodman, I. H. Bingham and P. L. Campbell of the U. of O.

Prof. Bump's orchestra was in attendance and rendered several selections as did also the Eugene Military band.

The list were generally signed up and a good roads league was launched with a large membership, and that it will grow with time to be one of the largest leagues in this state, goes without saying.

Officers.
M. Svarerud was elected president of the local organization, which was formed this afternoon at the Good Roads meeting.

I. N. Edwards, of Junction, was elected vice-president; Jack Rodman, secretary; and F. M. Wilkins, treasurer. A tax of fifty cents is levied on each member when he joins, which may be paid to the treasurer of the league.

ARMY DEFEATS NAVY ON GRIDIRON

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—The Army eleven defeated the Navy eleven before a great crowd today. Score: Army, 6; Navy, 4.

The Wheat Markets.
Chicago, Nov. 28.—Dec. \$1.03 3/4; May, \$1.08 1-8; July, \$1.01 1/2.

Portland, Nov. 28.—Track prices, club, 89; bluestem, 95; turkey red, 92; red Russian, 87; valley, 91.

The work of building the Albany electric line through First street by way of Lyon to the depot is being rushed and a big gang of men are engaged in the work of excavation and laying ties and rails. The work in all probability will be finished on the streets named by the first of January, 1909.

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ALL FRANCE STIRRED BY STEINHEIL CASE

Paris, Nov. 28.—The Steinheil case continues the sensation of the hour in all France, and no one ventures to say where the revelations will end. The political side looms larger and larger and the interest harks back to the tragic death in Paris in 1899 of Felix Faure, president of France, who died amid the Dreyfus excitement. The most minute details of the scene in the room where he expired in company with Mme. Steinheil is flagrantly published by even the republican papers.

The Royalist and anti-Dreyfus papers are demanding an investigation of the death of President Faure and intimate openly that he was an insuperable obstacle to the leaders of the Dreyfus agitation and was murdered as the result of a plot. The only reason to believe that Faure did not die a natural death was found in the fact that his body decomposed with unusual rapidity. Seven of the best-known physicians of Paris certified that he died of cerebral hemorrhage.

Various episodes in the life of Mme. Steinheil, her alleged love affairs and intrigues are coming to light, and the prevailing belief in Paris is that she deliberately had her husband and her mother assassinated.

AMERICAN-JAP TREATY REPORTED

London Newspapers Are Pleased With Arrangement

London, Nov. 28.—The reported agreement between the United States and Japan for maintenance of the status quo in the Pacific and guaranteeing the integrity of Cuba is given a prominent place in the afternoon papers of London and is considered of great importance. The Pall Mall Gazette says it will be heartily welcomed as a contribution to the world's peace. It is not regarded as an entangling alliance, but as a compliment to the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

OREGON LUMBER SOLD IN CANADA

Driving Local Mills Out of Business and Duty Is Wanted

Wellington, N. Z., Nov. 28.—The Dominion timber trade is so seriously affected by the increasing importation of Oregon pine that a combination of influential local sawmill owners and timber merchants have petitioned the premier to impose a duty on Oregon lumber. Many mills of the Dominion have been forced to shut down and others will have to follow suit shortly.

The premier will appoint a royal commission to investigate the matter.

WIFE MURDERER IS ELECTROCUTED

Auburn, Nov. 28.—William Robert Ash, of Rochester, a wife murderer, was electrocuted at the Auburn prison today.

Every bride and groom should have their picture taken together; it will afford such sport for their grandchildren.

FAIR WEATHER FOR TOMORROW

Oregon—Fair tonight and Sunday except rain on coast.
Easterly winds.
Washington—Rain tonight or Sunday, interior and coast, easterly winds.
Idaho—Rain or snow tonight or Sunday. Warmer north.