

## The Case of Jennie Brice

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gave any explanation—yes, he said he couldn't sleep and had thought to tire himself rowing. Had been caught in the current before he knew it. Saw nothing suspicious in or about the boat. As they passed the police patrol boat prisoner had called to ask if there was much distress and expressed regret when told there was.

Tim was excused. He had made a profound impression. I would not have given a dollar for Mr. Ladley's chance with the jury at that time.

### CHAPTER XI.

**T**HE prosecution produced many witnesses during the next two days; Shanty Boat Tim's story withstood the most vigorous cross examination. After him, Mr. Bronson from the theater corroborated Miss Hope's story of Jennie Brice's attack of hysteria in the dressing room and told of taking her home that night.

He was a poor witness, nervous and halting. He weighed each word before he said it, and he made a general unfavorable impression. I thought he was holding something back. In view of what Mr. Pitman would have called the denouement, his attitude is easily explained. But I was puzzled then.

So far, the prosecution had touched but lightly on the possible motive for a crime—the woman. But on the third day, to my surprise, a Mrs. Agnes Murray was called. It was the Mrs. Murray I had seen at the morgue.

I have lost the clipping of that day's trial, but I remember her testimony perfectly.

She was a widow, living above a small millinery shop on Federal street, Allegheny. She had one daughter, Alice, who did stenography and typing as a means of livelihood. She had no office and worked at home. Many of the small stores in the neighborhood employed her to send out their bills. There was a card at the street entrance beside the shop, and now and then strangers brought her work.

Early in December the prisoner had brought her the manuscript of a play to type, and from that time on he came frequently, sometimes every day, bringing a few sheets of manuscript at

a time. Sometimes he came without any manuscript and would sit and talk while he smoked a cigarette. They had thought him unmarried.

On Wednesday, Feb. 28, Alice Murray had disappeared. She had taken some of her clothing—not all—and had left a note. The witness read the note aloud in a trembling voice:

Dear Mother—When you get this I shall be married to Mr. Ladley. Don't worry. Will write again from N. Y. Lovingly,  
ALICE.

From that time until a week before, she had not heard from her daughter. Then she had a card, mailed from Madison Square station, New York city. The card merely said:

Am well and working.  
To be continued.  
ALICE.

### Garfield School Closes

The closing exercises and annual picnic of the Garfield School occurred at the County Club last Friday. Miss Doris Jensen, the popular teacher who has been engaged to take charge of the school another season, left Saturday for her home at Dee, Or. where she will remain for a time, prior to a visit to the Panama Pacific Exposition.

### Attending Postmasters Convention

Postmaster, A. N. Johnson of Estacada is this week attending the three days convention of the first, second and third class postmasters, being held in Portland.

### Bank to Close

The Estacada State Bank will be closed Friday, June 11th in accordance with the legal holiday in honor of the Oregon Rose, as declared by Gov. Withycombe.

### Eastern Star Attention

A subject of special interest will be discussed next Tuesday night, June 15th, at the regular chapter meeting. All members are requested to be present.

Catherine H. Allen, W. M.  
Helena P. Devore, Sec.

### To Attend University of Illinois

Principal B. F. Ford of Estacada contemplates leaving for the East in a short time, where he will attend the University of Illinois summer course, specializing on athletic training.

Mr. Ford returned last Monday from a few days spent at Salem, where he attended the meeting of the executive committee of Willamette University and was to have coached the track team of that institution, but owing to a sudden attack of lumbago, was forced to return home.

### Bankers to Accept Pig Paper

Many members of the Oregon Bankers Assn. in a recent convention, have agreed to accept the so called pig-paper from the children who wish to go into the swine raising business. This work was originally started by the Oregon Agricultural College and the Portland Union Stock Yards and the demand for brood sows and the financing of same, has become so great, that the bankers have been solicited for their cooperation.

It is possible that local bankers can be persuaded to accept this pig-paper and help to further stimulate the raising of hogs by the boys and girls, in this community.

### Narrowly Escapes Sting

T. H. Dodge of River Mill last Tuesday morning narrowly missed being stung by a scorpion, which had crawled into the lining of his coat. Mr. Dodge brought the scorpion which measured over two inches in length, in a bottle to Estacada, where he is having it preserved in alcohol.

In the past two years a number of these poisonous, spiderlike animals have been caught in this vicinity and the Estacada High School has over a score of them in their biology exhibit. The sting of this animal which is claimed to be even more deadly than a rattlesnake's, is delivered by a swift stroke of the tail.

### To Ship Livestock Monday

Buyer C. E. Lucke has arranged to make a carload shipment of livestock from the Estacada stock yards, next Monday, June 14th. Parties having hogs, sheep, calves or cattle for sale should phone R. M. Standish at Estacada at once, so that the buyer can call and see same before shipping date.

It is to be hoped that all parties who have expressed a desire to sell at this time will do so, for unless the full carload is gotten together it will mean a loss to the buyer.

M. C. Kelso and wife of Eugene, motored to Currinsville this week where they are spending a few days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Congdon.

### To Pull Convicts' Teeth

Geo. Dale of Estacada, who graduated with honors from the North Pacific Dental College last week, is taking the state examinations at Salem this week. These examinations include two days of written work and a couple of days of practical demonstration, with the inmates of the state asylum and penitentiary as subjects.

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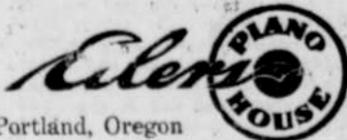
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