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CRIPPEN'S COMPANION IS ACQUITTED

JURY GIVES MISLENEVE HER LIBERTY

Only Out Three Minutes—Trial Is Short and Verdict Came Promptly With First Ballot—Crippen Must Hang on November 8 for Murder.—Verdict a Surprise.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—With a suddenness as surprising as the verdict itself, Miss Ethel Clare Leneve, companion of Dr. H. H. Crippen in his flight to escape arrest for wife murder, was acquitted of the murder of Mrs. Belle Elmore Crippen today in Old Bailey court. The jury was out three minutes.

Miss Leneve was charged with murder after the fact, the crown accusing her of having been an accessory of Dr. Crippen, who already has been sentenced to hang on November 8 for Mrs. Crippen's murder.

The acquittal of the frail defendant occasioned general comment, as it was expected that she would go to prison for a long term. The courtroom was filled with persons prominent in London society, and their bright attire was in sharp contrast with the somber hues of the dingy courtroom.

Miss Leneve was dressed in a gown of pale blue, which accentuated the pallor of her face. She wore a motor cap, yellow gloves and tan shoes. She was accompanied by two wardresses and a physician was in attendance because of the probability of the defendant's collapse. During the argument of Prosecutor Muir Miss Leneve sat listless and betrayed no sign that she understood its purport.

Miss Leneve was not called to the stand. This led to the belief that the crown was not doing its utmost to convict the woman.

Several witnesses for the crown were examined briefly, but no effort was made to bring out any damaging evidence.

Lord Alverstone's summary and charge to the jury clearly indicated his sympathy with Miss Leneve.

The jury retired at 3:54 this afternoon and returned at 3:57 o'clock. When the verdict was read Miss Leneve was overcome. She wept and laughed alternately and was comforted by her parents, who were very much moved.

BELIEVE TRACE OF BALLOON FOUND
Huge Airship Is Seen by Agent of Canadian Railroad—Guns Are Fired and a Diligent Search Is Being Made.

MEDFORD IN LEAD WITH 837 VOTES

Registration in County Gives Medford 837 Votes More Than Any Other City or Precinct—The Total Registration in County is 300 Less Than It Was Two Years Ago.

The registration of voters for the November election is completed and Medford leads all precincts in the number of voters by a large number. Ashland, the only place which approaches this city, is 837 voters shy. The total registration of the county is 4848. Of this number, Medford has 1804 and Ashland 967.

The registration of the entire county has fallen off from two years ago by about 300 voters, although the population of the county has increased. The total registration by precincts follows:

Antioch 21, East Ashland 246, West Ashland 364, South Ashland 347, Applegate 78, Barron 60, Big Butte 177, Climax 11, Central Point 235, Eagle Point 163, Florence Rock 9, Fouts Creek 7E, Gold Hill 197, North Jacksonville 126, South Jacksonville 113, Lake Creek 42, Meadows 20, Northeast Medford 179, Northwest Medford 333, Southeast Medford 101, Southwest Medford 594, Central Medford 597, Mound 59, Phoenix 158, Rock Point 35, Sam's Valley 100, Sterling 20, Talent 217, Trail 34, Union 50, Watkins 31, Willow Springs 32, Wimer 30, Woodville 112; total, 4848.

WEBB TO HANG ON DECEMBER 17
Expected Death Penalty and Shows Little Agitation—Motion Filed for New Trial—Mrs. Kersch Is Now on Trial.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 25.—Jesse P. Webb, convicted murderer of William A. Johnson, whose body was found stuffed in a trunk at the Union station in June, was sentenced to be hanged December 17 by Judge Morrow in the circuit court this afternoon. Webb expected the death penalty and had braced himself to listen to the fatal words.

Immediately after sentence was pronounced he was returned to his cell. He probably will be taken to Salem, Or., within the next few days where he will be confined until his execution.

Webb's attorneys have filed a motion for an appeal.

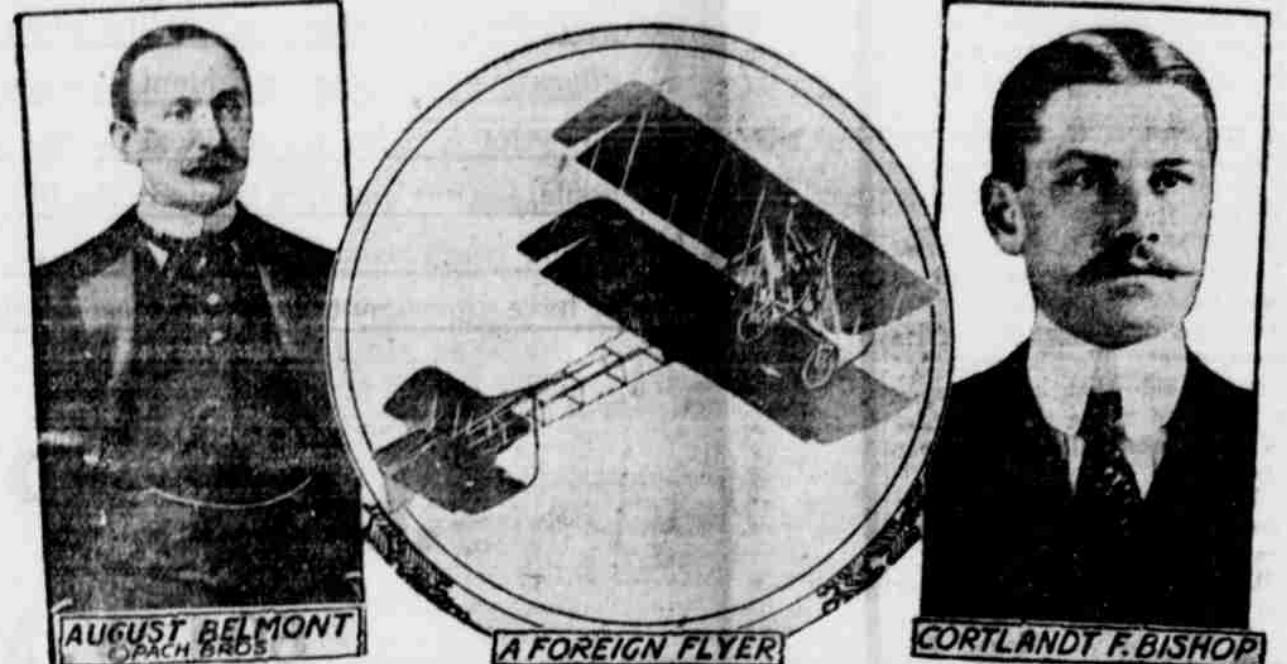
Immediately after, sentence had been passed on Webb, Mrs. Kersch, who was charged jointly with Webb, was brought into the crowded courtroom and the attorneys resumed their efforts to secure a jury to try her for complicity in Johnson's murder.

It was expected that the selection of the jury would be completed this afternoon.

Much trouble was experienced in choosing jurors, as most of the takersmen examined indicated that they did not favor the idea of capital punishment where a woman was concerned.

New Wright Aeroplane Proves Speedy

Makes Mile in Less Than a Minute



BIRDSEYE VIEW OF BELMONT PARK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y., WHERE THE INTERNATIONAL AVIATION TOURNAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE, OCT. 22 TO 30.

BELMONT PARK, N. Y., Oct. 25.—The new Wright racer, on which is set America's hopes in the international race for speed next Saturday, was the sensation of the aviation meet on Belmont field today. Although little larger than a whitehead torpedo, it bore Orville Wright around the course twice at better than a mile a minute, and at that was held under restraint.

Flying high above the heads of the spectators, the tiny machine soared and dipped, tilted recklessly at an angle of 45 degrees, rounding the curves, righted itself and fairly ran rings around the other machines in the air. The crowd went frantic when Wright let out his motor for an instant on the back stretch, passing the other racers as if they were standing still.

When Wright alighted he was accorded the greatest ovation of the meet.

\$15,400.23 IS P. & E. DEFICIT FOR PAST YEAR

Report on Finances of Road Filed With Railroad Commission—Passenger Receipts Are Heavier Than Those Received From Freight.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 25.—The Pacific & Eastern suffered a deficit for the fiscal year closing June 30, 1910, of \$15,400.23, according to the annual report of the company, which was filed according to the law of this state, with the railroad commission yesterday.

The operating revenues of the road equaled but \$19,557.69. Of this sum the revenue from freight business was \$9,337.93 and the revenue from the passenger business was \$10,165.42, which is an unusual condition, for usually the freight earnings are the greatest source of revenue to a railroad.

The operating expenses for the year were \$34,957.23, exceeding the earnings by \$15,400.23. However, much money was expended for maintenance of way and structures, the total expended for this item alone equalling \$23,982.85.

The directors of the road are given as John F. Stevens, Portland, who is president; William Gerig, Medford; L. B. Lanthicum and C. E. S. Wood of Portland, and John R. Allen of New York.

OSWALD WEST AS VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER GOOD

Reaches Woodville Just in Time to Assist Fight Against Flames Which Threaten Building—Enthusiastically Greeted.

Oswald West, anti-assembly candidate for governor, has been accorded an enthusiastic reception in all the towns of the Rogue River valley. Upon his arrival Monday, escorted by a large delegation of the citizens of the valley, in automobiles, he visited Central Point, Gold Hill, Woodville and Jacksonville, and in all of them was warmly greeted.

A crowd of several hundred persons greeted him with cheers at Gold Hill. Ladies and girls of the town wore hat bands with "Oswald West for governor" printed thereon and he was literally showered with flowers, carrying away four huge bouquets of roses.

He reached Woodville just in time to help extinguish the flames which were destroying the residence of J. E. Estell, just north of the city, and while the volunteer fire department were busy with water and axes Mr. West helped move the piano. The fire was caused by a defective flue, and as a result the rear end of the building will have to be reconstructed.

Coming back to Woodville, Mr. West addressed a crowd of a hundred or more citizens on the campaign issues of the day, and was

STAND-PATTERS OFFER CUMMINS AN OLIVE BRANCH

They Declare Iowa Senator Is Again One of Them Because of His Speech in Which He Declares He Will Support the Tariff.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Standpatters are extending the olive branch today to Senator Cummins of Iowa, whom they declare once again is "one of us," because of his speech last night in which he declared his intention to support the tariff. Cummins' speech is considered significant, in that it shows that the progressives are realizing the danger to the cause of republicanism if factional strife is allowed.

Now that Cummins has unqualifiedly endorsed the Payne law, the standpatters believe that no republican can be justified in opposing it.

"With all its inequalities and mistakes, I would rather have the Payne act for a thousand years," said Cummins, "than to suffer the disaster of an application of the democratic tariff theory for a single month."

Aviator Killed.
BERLIN, Oct. 25.—Lieutenant Member of the German army was killed by falling from a Wright aeroplane at Magdeburg. Menthe was a member of the army aviation corps and was maneuvering when the accident occurred.

WEST FIRM FRIEND OF NORMALS

Gets Rousing Reception in Ashland and Makes Strong Speech—Explains His Stand in Regard to the Recent Cutting of Railroad Rates in Oregon.

"I am in favor of normal schools. I am myself a product of the public school system. All the schooling I ever had was in the public schools of Oregon. I believe in strengthening and building up and improving the public schools. The normals are needed to improve the school system, as they produce the teachers. If elected governor I shall use the power and prestige of the office to help the normal schools; if the people vote for three normal schools I will do what I can to maintain them. Whatever the people decide will be carried out," said Oswald West at Ashland Monday evening.

"I am familiar with the history of the normal schools and while my opponent, Mr. Bowerman, was slaughtering them in the legislature, I was assisting the normal school delegation all that I could. Again in the special session when Mr. Bowerman refused to grant the normals money enough to finish out the year, I did what I could to assist the Ashland delegation in their efforts for the normal."

Mr. West spoke to a good sized audience at the Chautauqua building (Continued on page 8.)

ALFONSO READY FOR REVOLUTION

Spanish King Takes Steps to Insure Loyalty of Royal Troops—Republicans in Spain Planned Outbreak Simultaneously With Portugal.

MADRID (via Hendaye), Oct. 25.—Rumors of a secret gathering of revolutionary spirits in Spain today are causing the Spanish throne much uneasiness and predictions that Spain is soon to undergo such a crisis as recently was enacted with disastrous results to King Manuel in Portugal are rife.

Preparations to meet such an emergency are being quietly made by King Alfonso, who has gathered his advisers about him and any moment the revolution is liable to break, according to those who have watched the impending struggle from a disinterested point of view.

That the movement in Spain was originally planned to be simultaneous with that in Portugal is admitted by King Alfonso and his cabinet. Only the more rapid development of the republican idea in Portugal saved Spain, they believe, and every effort will be made to thwart the plans of the Spanish revolutionists, who are encouraged by Portuguese success.

Spain's first step to fight the revolution has been to raise the pay of the army officers. This step was made to offset the overtures to the military made by the revolutionists. The irder particularly affected non-commissioned officers, as it is in this class whose loyalty is most unstable.

General Aznar, minister of war, is taking steps to eradicate the influence of the public inns. The soldiers frequent these places of amusement more than any other place and the inkeepers are admitted to have a large influence over the men. In some of these places revolution is preached openly and some places are being closed by the war minister.

HUNDREDS PERISH IN TIDALWAVE

Provinces of Naples and Salerno, in Italy, Present Scenes of Desolation and Suffering—Authorities Appalled by Destruction Wrought by Disturbance of Nature.

NAPLES, Oct. 25.—Ravaged by earthquake, by volcanic fire and by flood, the provinces of Naples and Salerno today present scenes of desolation and suffering. The authorities apparently appalled by the destructive combination of the elements, practically are inactive, while admitting that the fatalities of yesterday are enormous.

In the beautiful bay of Naples, in the star-reflecting gulf of Salerno, scores of fishing vessels were wrecked and many bodies have been borne ashore by the tides.

The dead on the island of Ischia, off Naples, exceed 200 as a result of the tidal wave.

On the slopes of Mount Vesuvius new lava streams have burst from the crater and mud rivers are flowing seaward, engulfing or burning everything in their paths. The roads in the provinces in the vicinity of the ancient mountain are covered with thirty feet of mud.

In Naples a dozen houses collapsed due to subsistence of the earth following the renewed activity of Vesuvius. People fled from their homes in terror as the volcanic earthquakes shook the city. Many refused today to return to their homes, despite the assurances of the Neapolitan authorities, based on the statements of scientists of the observatory on Mount Vesuvius, that the outbursts have attained their fullest force and will subside.

At Salerno, Cetera and Amalfi, floods wrought great havoc and the damage done is estimated at several millions. Minister of Public Works Sacchi and Admiral Leonardi are surveying the devastated district with a view to recommending government aid.

The mayor of Casa Misiola today appealed for aid. He reported that the hitherto extinct volcano of Epomeo again has become active.

This volcano destroyed Casa Misiola in 1883 and killed 1,700 persons.

NEW LINE-UP NEXT YEAR FOR CUBS

Result of World's Series Disastrous to Veterans—Pitchers Are All on the Down Grade—Kling May Go Also.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—That an entirely new line-up will represent Chicago in the National league next year was predicted today as a result of the miserable showing of the once doughty Cubs in the world's series just ended.

Manager Chance is said to have determined to infuse some younger blood into the team and with this object in view, will probably swing the axe on the necks of at least half a dozen whose names are part of baseball history.

It is more than likely that either Sheppard or Schulte, or perhaps both will go. Steinfeldt, who has grown old at third base, undoubtedly will be benched in favor of some younger player, probably Zimmerman. It is doubtful whether Johnny Evers will ever recover from the injury he received three weeks ago at Cincinnati, and still more doubtful if he will be the same Evers should he regain the use of his ankle.

Pitchers Brown, Reulbach, Overall are going down grade and Cole, Foxen, Riehe, McIntyre and Pfeiffer probably will be the backbone of the pitching staff next year.

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Attell-Conley Mill.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 25.—Abe Attell and Frankie Conley, champion featherweight and bantamweight pugilists of the world, respectively, were matched there today to fight

Good tenants are to be had—for the advertising.