

MRS. PANTAGES TRUCK OWNER COLLAPSES AS POINTS GUN AT GUILT IS READ GAME WARDENS

Carried Screaming and Sobbing From Court After Manslaughter Verdict—Sentence Will Be Pronounced On Friday.

Officers Take Machine of Supposed Poacher—Trip to Medford Halted at Point of Gun—Guilty Plea Nets \$200 Fine.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Lois Pantages, convicted of manslaughter for the death of Juro Rokumoto, following an automobile collision, today was confined to her bed, where physicians reported her condition as "extremely grave." The wealthy society woman collapsed last night when the verdict, which carries a prison sentence of one to 10 years, was returned.

Intimation that Mrs. Pantages might succumb to the effects of her prostration was made this afternoon in a formal bulletin issued by her multimillionaire husband, Alexander Pantages, theatrical magnate. It said: "We do not know whether Mrs. Pantages will live or die. She is suffering from severe shock. We expect the crisis late today."

T. R. Hall, a lumber truck driver, about 22 years old, in the upper Rogue river section, who is employed at the Norcross mill, hunted deer last night near the Evergreen ranch and was caught at it, but before he was placed under arrest and brought to Medford had nearly scared the life out of Deputy Game Warden Roy Parr and the latter's assistant, C. W. Davis, of Medford, when he pointed his rifle at Davis in endeavoring to enact a huge but unsuccessful bluff.

That is why Hall, on his plea of guilty in Judge Taylor's court this forenoon, to hunting deer after sunset, was fined \$200.

This story of night thrills begins with Parr and Davis going up to the Evergreen ranch vicinity early in the evening on a gunshoe expedition, because the game warden had received complaints that deer hunting was taking place nightly along the Rogue river in the Medford vicinity, and assuming a status quo position, whatever that may be, in the dark.

After they had waited some time they saw Hall drive his truck down to a field near the river, and hearing three rifle shots later, drove down to the field where they found the truck parked and no one around. This was about 10 p. m. They lay wait on the truck, still in status quo, for about two hours, thinking they would nail the deer hunter red handed when he came back to the truck.

But he did not come and so they drove the truck up to the Crater Lake highway, found out who was the owner, and then started to bring the truck to Medford to be used as evidence, Davis driving the truck and Parr driving in his own car immediately in the rear.

In the meantime, it seems that Hall, missing his truck, induced a friend named Robinson to drive him toward Medford in search of the truck. Hall and Robinson, in the latter's car, passed the truck and Parr at a service station somewhere in this side of Eagle Point and continued on apparently for Medford.

When the game warden outfit came along near Agate the car, with Robinson at the wheel, was parked alongside of the road, and on the other side Hall stepped out with his 30-30 rifle and aiming it at Davis, it is claimed, commanded him to halt.

Davis did so immediately and then Hall, still covering him with the rifle, demanded in a stern voice, "What are you doing with my car?"

Davis replied: "Talk to the man behind."

Just then Deputy Game Warden Parr blew his siren and on hearing this Hall's belligerent attitude subsided. He lowered the rifle and walked over to Robinson's car. Deputy Game Warden Parr then got busy and on Hall's admitting his identity, placed him under arrest and brought him to Medford, arriving here about 3 a. m.

Davis, who was severely criticized by the grand jury, which declared the broadcast had been based on gossip and hearsay.

ASHLAND TIDINGS ANSWERS CHARGE OF PASS EDITOR

Replying to the recent editorial of the Grants Pass Courier, the Ashland Tidings yesterday said: "Under the heading, 'Swapping Roads,' the Grants Pass Courier gets all wrathful in commenting on the recent action of the Medford Chamber of Commerce in giving endorsement to the Dead Indian Lake of the Woods road. And some misinformation creeps into his comments—the situation identical with that which occurred some time ago when the Grants Pass editorial writer became all excited because the Tidings editorially commented on the routing of tourist traffic over cut-off routes. He stoutly denied that Grants Pass had routed a single tourist over any cut-off route. And the avering part of the situation was the fact that the Tidings had not even intimated that Grants Pass had anything to do with routing tourist traffic over cut-off routes. But there are agencies which do have something to do with that cut-off routing, as marked maps proved that.

"Now the gentleman becomes all excited and suspicious because Medford and Ashland representatives meet and Medford endorses the continuation of the Dead Indian Lake of the Woods road in preference to any other route. And, hitherto, the Grants Pass editor tells his readers that in return for the Lake of the Woods endorsement, Ashland will endorse the much-disputed Williams Creek cut-off to the Caves road, which Medford is backing.

"Now he is much mistaken. Ashland has not yet endorsed the Williams Creek cut-off road, although this paper will be glad to see such an endorsement made. But when such an endorsement is made, if ever, we certainly hope that our chamber of commerce representatives will make the endorsement on the merits of the proposed Williams Creek road improvement, and not solely for 'swapping purposes.'

"If a constructive road program, with maximum benefits for every section of the county is carried on, it must be carried on as a cooperative affair, and backbiting and backbiting among different sections of the county must cease."

MANN'S STORE TO OPEN BIG ANNUAL SALE THIS WEEK

What promises to be the biggest local selling event of the year will be opened next Saturday by Mann's Department Store in celebrating its 19th anniversary of its establishment in Medford. The anniversary sale will be carried over a period of a month and is attracting the attention of shoppers from all parts of southern Oregon looking for exceptional bargains.

The store came into existence 19 years ago and was founded on a policy which has gained the confidence of thousands of Medford and southern Oregon shoppers, in addition to shoppers from the northern California district. When John C. Mann opened the present establishment he had visions of just such a store that now greets shoppers daily, with high quality merchandise at reasonable prices.

It is a vision realized and Mr. Mann through the anniversary sale has made it possible for shoppers to celebrate with him. The store is regarded as a part of the community it serves and through its policy has gained many friends, holding paramount the fact that quality, service and fair prices go hand in hand with success.

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GREY GIVES TALK ON SOUTH SEA VOYAGE AT COPCO LUNCHEON

A large number of Copco employees attended the regular weekly meeting of the Copco forum this noon and heard an interesting talk on the South Sea Islands by Herb Grey, well known advertising manager of the Mail Tribune. Mr. Grey, who recently returned from an extended trip to the South Seas gave many interesting highlights on his trip, speaking at length upon some of the points visited including Samoa, the Fiji Islands and Australia.

The beautiful scenery, tropical growth and primitive customs of the natives of the South Seas were described by Grey, who related some of the amusing experiences encountered on his trip. Photographs taken en route and souvenirs which included native weapons and dishes, beads and real tapa cloth were passed around for the inspection of all present.

H. S. Daniels, chairman of the meeting introduced the new Copco golf champion, Pat Larison who recently won the President's cup in the Medford handicap golf tournament. Mr. Larison who is a member of the Copco home office accounting department, responded with a brief account of the tournament and spoke highly of the sportsmanship displayed by his opponent in the finals, Art Starbuck. Larison is a comparatively new resident in Medford, having been transferred here from PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—in order to get a sun bath, push a button, and a small electric globe he has devised. It floods homes and offices with ultra violet rays.

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LOS ANGELES, Sept. 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Lois Pantages, convicted of manslaughter in connection with the death of a Japanese gardener, after a collision of their automobiles, was under the care of physicians today. She fell to the floor in a courtroom where the jury's verdict was read last night and was carried sobbing and screaming from the building.

The five women and seven men who had heard three weeks of testimony concerning Mrs. Pantages' intoxicated condition at the time of a fatal collision June 18, and the subsequent death of Juro Rokumoto, found her criminally responsible within 28 hours after the case had been placed in their hands.

Superior Judge Carlos S. Hardy set 2 p. m., Friday, as the hour of pronouncement of sentence, which is fixed by California law at from one to 10 years imprisonment. He permitted the woman her freedom under a \$50,000 bond posted prior to the trial, pending action on motions for probation and a new trial which defense promised.

Alexander Pantages, her husband, who himself faces trial October 1 on two statutory charges brought by a young dancer, sat through the final episode of the sensational trial with tears streaming down his face. The multi-millionaire vaudeville impresario was unable to help his wife out of the courtroom after she became hysterical and fell in a heap at his feet.

At the close of the trial, coincidental with the filing of citation for contempt of court against Dr. R. P. Shuler and Gustav Bielecki, two prominent Los Angeles pastors, public interest swung to the plight of the ministers. They are accused of deliberately casting reflections upon the jury in the Pantages case and Judge Hardy, in an attempt to influence the course of the trial, Dr. Shuler is alleged to have delivered an address over his radio at the close of selection of the panel, in which he stated the jury was hung before testimony began and he could name the man who would hang it. Dr. Bielecki was accused of making similar accusations from his pulpit in the St. Paul's Presbyterian church. Dr. Shuler, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church south, was

RAIN AND SNOW MAKES DENT IN LONG DROUGHT

The long drought that has existed in this section is beginning to break up, as a trifle of rain fell in Medford during the night and snow fell in the Crater Lake region and on high peaks in the Applegate section, and there was a little rain at Union creek and up around Huckleberry mountain. In addition there was an electric storm in the Applegate section last night, and a thunder storm was brewing there this forenoon.

The rain that fell in Medford last night, the first for 102 days, was so slight that it did not amount to a measurable quantity and could scarcely be called even a trace.

Reports phoned in to the Crater National forest office here this morning from its lookout stations told that at Old Lady mountain one and one-half inches of snow fell during last night, that snow also fell at Mt. McLaughlin and Ruster peak, and a very light rain at Union creek and Huckleberry mountain. No rain fell around the Teal creek section, nor in the western part of the county.

Leo Port, ranger at the star ranger station in the Applegate district, who was in the city this forenoon told that when he left for Medford about 2 a. m. today a thunder storm was brewing in that section, that looked as if it had much moisture in it.

During last night, or rather at 4:30 this morning, Mr. Port also said, there was an electric storm in the star ranger section, during which lightning three times struck one of the lookout houses, somewhat damaging some of its apparatus, but not setting fire to the structure; and also struck a tree 150 feet distant from the same house and set fire to it.

A peculiar feature of the electrical storm was it was accompanied by no rain but snowed instead, for the high peaks in that vicinity—Dutchman, Tallbox and Ruster peaks—were blanketed with snow this morning.

While there was a little cloudiness today, the official forecast is for fair weather tonight and Friday. The temperature was warmer today than for several days past, with a minimum of 41.

REPORT DOG POISONER BUSY IN JACKSONVILLE

Attributed to a dog poisoner, five dogs were killed in Jacksonville this week and efforts were being made today to locate the guilty party. The dog of the sheriff's office has been enlisted in the search and officers were in Jacksonville this afternoon investigating the situation. Poisoned meat is believed to have been thrown in the yards of the dog owners during the night. All of the animals are reported to have died in a very short time.

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28x4.75 S. S. . . . 7.75	31x5.25 S. S. . . . 10.15
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