

DRY RAIDER IS SHOT ON NAPA FARM

Federal Agent Wounded By Farmer During Scuffle for Gun—Wife Fires Shotgun at Second Prohi Man—Couple Held On Open Charges Pending Outcome of Gunplay.

NAPA, Cal., Dec. 29.—(AP)—John South, Napa county rancher, and his wife were in the county jail here today held on open charges pending the outcome of bullet wounds received by Robert D. Freeman, federal prohibition agent during a liquor raid on the South ranch near Yountville yesterday. Freeman was shot twice during a scuffle with South when he fought to prevent from destroying evidence seized on a search warrant in the ranch house. One bullet entered Freeman's shoulder and penetrated a lung, while the other lodged in his arm. The condition was said to be critical. It was first believed that Mrs. South had fired the revolver with which Freeman was shot, but Col. George Seaver of the San Francisco prohibition office said his investigation, based on a report made by Agent Harry Jones who was also on the raid, indicated that South used the gun.

Freeman and Jones had gone to the South ranch to search for liquor on a warrant charging South and his wife with illegal sale to an undercover man. Some liquor was found in the ranch house, but the agents believed a larger cache was located in an outhouse. Accordingly, Jones left to conduct a search while Freeman stood guard over Mr. and Mrs. South. While he heard a shot and rushing into the house, found Freeman grasping with South. Jones said he went to the aid of the other agent and was attempting to wrest a revolver from South's hand when Mrs. South ran into the room carrying a shotgun. "If you harm my husband," Jones quoted her as declaring, "I'll shoot."

At this juncture, according to Jones' report, South still grasping with Freeman, fired again hitting Freeman in the arm. Four more shots were fired before the couple was subdued and then Freeman collapsed with a bullet in his chest and another in his arm.

POLICE PROBING STRANGE CASES PORTLAND GIRLS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Cases involving at least three young women were being investigated by detectives here today. Roy Ward, former deputy sheriff and now manager of a cement company, told authorities he witnessed the transfer of a young woman from one automobile to another while a man held a revolver on the driver of the other machine.

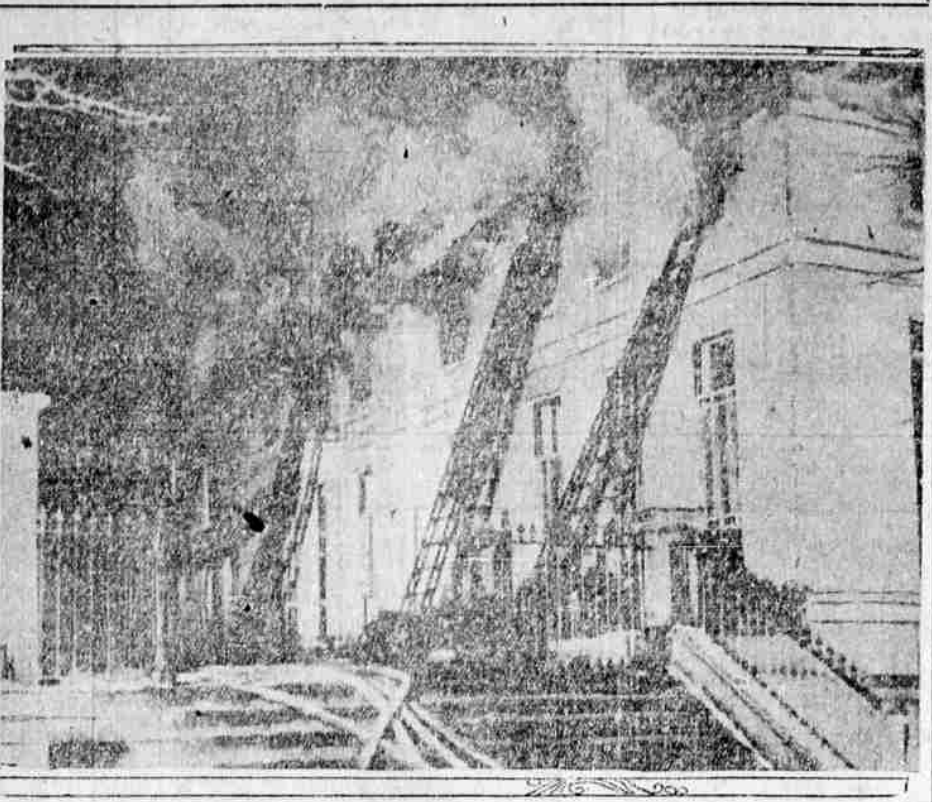
Astoria, Ore., police asked authorities to search for Audrey Taylor, Astoria young woman, who was believed to have been kidnaped from the city at the mouth of the Columbia river. Miss Etid Beemer, 29, was in a serious condition at her home after C. H. Cornell is alleged to have taken her from her parents' automobile to his home. While police were talking with Miss Beemer, who seemed soon after they arrived, Cornell disappeared.

FORMER STATE SOLON JOHN GILL, SUCCUMBS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Federal services for John Gill, 73, former state legislator and one of the state's foremost sportsmen, who died suddenly at his home here yesterday, will be conducted tomorrow. The former legislator was born in Yokohama, England, May, 1851. He was noted in the northwest as a collier. Mr. Gill was a member of many sporting organizations and was credited with having gained much knowledge on the habits of fish.

Williamina—Foster mill, recently erected on highway about three and one-half miles west of here, started operations recently. To handle the technical work of range management on the livestock ranges of the national forests, the U. S. forest service has over 100 men who have passed the civil service examination for range examiner.

Fire Sweeps White House



Fire Sweeps the White House—All available firemen were called out to quell the flames that swept through the executive offices of the nation's chief on Christmas Eve. Telephoto shows fire fighters playing water upon walls of the structure.

JOHNSON WITNESS BOHAN'S TORTURE IS DECLARATION

A. E. Johnson of Jacksonville, arrested Friday morning with Mr. and Mrs. James Donoghue, alias Donovan, in a statement made before the district attorney's office Saturday night, declares he saw Donoghue and his wife assaulting Pat Bohan, elderly junk dealer on Plum street, but denies he took part in the crime, which means that probably all three will be charged with robbery by causing fear. Bohan is in the Sacred Heart hospital suffering from a badly burned leg, alleged to have been received as a result of the assault midnight Thursday. Johnson, in his statement, says he left the Bohan dwelling to pick up some moonshine on Chestnut street and then drove down to the Rex Cafe looking for Donoghue, who is accused of holding up A. C. Lawrence of Sacramento, Calif., in the cafe and then engaging in a pistol duel on the street with police officers. He denies having any part in the hold-up. He said that he saw the man and woman assault Bohan and heard their demand for information leading to the supposed hiding place of the junk man's money. Donoghue is held in the county jail on bonds of \$10,000 set Saturday and his wife is serving a sentence of 10 days on a charge of intoxication. Johnson pleaded guilty on a charge of driving while intoxicated and is to be sentenced later.

Mrs. Donoghue this forenoon declared she could remember nothing that happened at the Bohan place, claiming she was intoxicated. A monthly newspaper published by students of Alaska college at Fairbanks has attained a circulation of 4,000 in the northern territory.

Famous Ice Star



Seventeen-year-old Sonja Henie, known as Pavlova of the ice and three times world's figure skating champion, arrived in New York to make her American skating debut.

INDIA PREPARES TO ASK DIVORCE FROM ENGLAND

Independence Resolutions to Be Presented at Nationalist Congress — Gandhi Advocates Non-Conformity Move.

LAHORE, India, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Resolutions asking complete independence of India from the British crown will be presented to the 44th national congress, which opened Sunday, with full approval of the All-India National Congress party's executive committee. The executive committee voted 134 to 77, in approval of Mahatma Gandhi, national list leader, favoring complete independence to be attained gradually. Gandhi advocated as a first step non-cooperation with the British governmental machinery.

An amendment to Gandhi's motion providing for complete severance of relations and severance of participation in the present government of India was rejected by a vote of 121 to 89 after Gandhi had made his plea for gradual progress in the campaign for ultimate self-government. Gandhi led the fight in the committee against those who were inclined to favor the proposed dominion status for India. More than 30,000 Indians attended the opening of the congress.

MEXICANS DIE WHEN MERCURY GOES TO 28

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Three people died here during the night of cold. The deaths brought the total from the cold weather for the month to 13. Two of the victims were beggars and the third an intoxicated man. All went to sleep in the streets in weakened condition, and died when the mercury dropped to 28. The other ten deaths occurred similarly, four of them on Christmas day.

C. E. SUMMER MEET IS SET FOR TURNER, ORE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—The summer conference of the Oregon Christian Endeavor Union, will be held at Turner, Ore., on dates to be determined later, state officers, superintendents, union presidents and denominational representatives agreed yesterday. The state convention will be held from April 24 to April 27 at Marshfield and Charles F. Evans of Chicago will be the speaker.

Oregon Weather. Oregon: Unsettled tonight with rain west and north portions, cooler in the northwest and warmer in the northeast portions tonight. Tuesday generally fair. Moderate west and northwest winds on the coast. Portland—Plans proposed for establishing city incubator to serve the territory east of Willamette river, on approximately 55 acres extending northerly from Columbia boulevard to Columbia slough in vicinity of East 42d street.

The state historical society of Oklahoma seeks to make its library of rare books the most valuable in the southwest.

GOVERNORSHIP GOSSIP LISTS 2 LOCAL MEN

Although the late Governor I. L. Patterson has been dead a little over a week, politics all through the state is engrossing the Republican leaders and their lieutenants of every section as to the many candidates, either already announced, tentative or otherwise, for the Republican and Democratic nominations for governor, to be elected next fall. It will be a free-for-all race in both parties.

Medford, which has been conspicuous because of the tentative candidacy of former Mayor C. H. Gates for the Republican nomination, was still more so when Portland newspapers yesterday announced that among the many Democratic tentative or suggested candidates for the Democratic nomination, mentioned the name of A. E. Reames. Both the Journal and the Oregonian yesterday reiterated that there would be a mad scramble in both parties for the nominations, and the election, and mention the well known Medford attorney as one of the talked of possible Democratic candidates.

The Oregonian, in outlining the situation and the many possible Republican candidates, after stating that R. W. Sawyer of Bend, member of the highway committee had declared himself, unequivocally as not a candidate under any circumstances, says: "C. E. Gates, colleague of Sawyer on the commission, however, is making a survey to discover how sentiment is toward himself. Mr. Gates has had the gubernatorial notion for eight years. His commission as a member of the road body will expire next March and it was the intention of Patterson to reappoint him."

Meanwhile, Pop Gates, as stated in yesterday's Mail Tribune, is pursuing a policy of watchful waiting, and if the lightning strikes his way he will not be found without an approved make of political electric fluid conductor.

Clatskanie.—Construction of new Howe truss bridge over Clatskanie river between Park street and city park completed recently. During the past 21 years, there have been 15,624 man-caused forest fires reported on the 22 national forests of Oregon and Washington.

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PRIEST "SEES" CONFESSIONS OF DEAF AND DUMB

San Francisco Cleric Ministers to Spiritual Needs of 400 Deaf and Dumb Catholics Weekly By Sign Language.

By George D. Crissey
United Press Staff Correspondent.
SAN FRANCISCO.—(U. P.)—Seeing confessionals rather than hearing them is the peculiar distinction of Father John H. McCumiskey, S. J., at St. Ignatius college professor.

For, although he hears and speaks, Father McCumiskey has learned the sign language and ministers to the spiritual needs of more than 400 deaf and dumb Catholics each week. It was 12 years ago that the priest-professor took up his special and self-imposed task toward those who are unable to talk or hear. St. Ignatius college, where Father McCumiskey is a professor, is in San Francisco and it is around the bay district that he practices his mission work.

On the other side of the bay, in Berkeley, there are more than 200 deaf and dumb children at a state school and near by, in Oakland, there are 50 similarly afflicted children in a Catholic school. In San Francisco the priest aids fully 150 others in private homes, and to all he is a friend and benefactor.

In the special confessional room there is a plate glass window in place of the usual screen and where light supplies the customary darkness with which ordinary confessional chambers are covered. Through the glass, and because of the light, Father McCumiskey sees the sign language and because he is able to read those rapidly moving fingers is able to reply by the finger route, bringing mental comfort and peace to those unbending their minds.

TOUCHDOWN POINT IS DEBATED BY COACHES

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Recommendations for the abolishment of the point after touchdown was made to the National Football Coaches' association today by its rules committee, headed by Glenn Thistlewaite of Wisconsin. The rules committee reported that the point after touchdown, devised to prevent tie games, had not done that.

GRANT'S PASS, Ore., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Carl Pusterfield, farmer, was in a hospital here today suffering injuries received when a circular saw hurled. He was blinded. Physicians said he probably would recover.

CROUP

Spasmodic Croup is frequently relieved by one application of

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LAGESONS NOT BADLY INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

It will be good news to their Medford friends that Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Lageson of this city are not in a hospital at Corvallis with serious injuries, as was rumored about the city this forenoon, but that Dr. Lageson suffered only minor injuries and Mrs. Lageson escaped with light bruises in the tragic auto accident in which they figured Christmas eve near Corvallis, in which a man was killed.

A communication received at the Elks club this forenoon from Dr. Lageson stated that his injuries were not serious, that Mrs. Lageson was uninjured, that the coroner's jury had exonerated him from blame and that they had gone on to Portland.

Cole Holmes also received word from Dr. Lageson requesting adjustment of insurance on the Lageson car, which was damaged in the accident to the extent of between \$200 and \$300.

The Portland Journal of yesterday published the following news dispatch from Corvallis, giving details of the tragic affair:

"Dr. B. L. Lageson of Medford was exonerated Thursday of blame for the death of James H. Dodge, 73, retired Stevenson, Wash., farmer, who was killed Christmas eve, about two miles north of here when struck by the physician's auto as he alighted from a stage. "Coroner Keeney and other Benton county officials who investigated the death said it was unavoidable on Lageson's part. "Dr. and Mrs. Lageson were cut and bruised when their car overturned as they attempted to miss

the aged man, but their injuries are not serious. Dodge was hurled across the highway, his skull fractured and his chest crushed. He died en route to a hospital. He was on his way to surprise a daughter, Mrs. Mary Anderson, who lives on Riger island, and Miss Violette Dodge of Corvallis."

SAMS VALLEY HOOP TEAMS VICTORIOUS

RAMS VALLEY, Ore., Dec. 30.—(SPL.)—At a basketball game at the local court Friday evening our

boys again won the laurels, being in combat with the St. Mary's team of Medford. The score of the first two teams was 27 to 5 in favor of the locals, and of the two second teams, 14 to 13 in their favor.

The second game was more interesting, due to the anxiety caused by the even scores for the greater part of the game. LIBRON 69—Donna Maria Tavares exchanged a state lottery ticket for one of a higher number. She dropped dead when the first ticket won the capital prize of \$250,000.

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