

Lawrence on Stand in His Own Behalf Late in Afternoon

A. E. Lawrence, who is on trial for the shooting of Mrs. Alma Kuehne, took the witness stand in his own behalf at 3:30 this afternoon. A bigger crowd than usual was gathered at the courtroom when he began his testimony. A big percentage of the audience was composed of women.

He stated he was 35 years old, and a native of England, coming to this country in 1903 after learning the hardware business in the old country.

He told of meeting Mrs. Kuehne in San Francisco and rooming at her place there, of coming to Klamath county to see the country and of finding the homestead figuring in the case. He said he bought the relinquishment of the occupant at that time, paying \$500, half being put up by himself and half by Mrs. Kuehne, who came just before the money was paid.

Mrs. Kuehne and Lawrence moved on the place, he said, and he bought a team, started to dig a well, got a powder man to blast ninety feet through rock in sinking the well, and quit after six months' work. The well, he said, was finished with a well drilling outfit, Lawrence paying all the costs.

Lawrence spoke of making other improvements, including fencing the property, the erection of the windmill, a modern house and three steel granaries, and of buying much farm machinery. He also said he, with other men he employed, cleared up twenty or twenty-five acres of ground.

Lawrence carefully studied all questions asked by his attorney, W. H. A. Renner. He watched the floor when not answering a question. Following the recess, Mrs. Hunter was asked a few more directions before the cross examination. She testified that when she saw Mrs. Kuehne pointing a gun at her and thought the woman was going to shoot her she fired in fear of losing her life.

In cross examination, Mrs. Hunter said she was three feet from the window through which she fired at Mrs. Kuehne. Mrs. Hunter said Mrs. Kuehne was ninety feet from the house when she fired.

There was screen on the window, said the witness, and before she shot she threw up the lower sash. Mrs. Hunter was positive that she first shot through the window and then through the door.

Asked if she hesitated before shooting, the witness said, "No," that she acted upon impulse, and didn't think about it at the time. At the time she fired, she said Mrs. Kuehne was in a position to shoot at her. She was unable to say how she held the gun, or if she took aim, saying all she recollected regarding that was that she fired the gun.

The state then brought in a section of the screen from the window, with a bullet hole through it, to have the height of the bullet hole from the floor compared with the height of Mrs. Hunter and the distance between the floor and the gun at the

time she fired. This was ruled out, on the ground that the state had not brought in any testimony to show that the height of the bullet hole from the floor, as shown in the framed and mounted screen, was the same as the distance between the floor and bullet hole while the screen was still intact.

Mrs. Hunter said Lawrence was on the porch, she believed, near the front door, when she fired. She said she was unable to say how many shots were fired altogether that morning.

Asked the position she was in when she fired toward Mrs. Kuehne, Mrs. Hunter said she was standing. She was closely questioned as to what Mrs. Kuehne did, whether she stepped forward or backward, whether she rolled after falling. She stated that Mrs. Kuehne was still standing at the time she (Mrs. Hunter) shot.

At this point, Renner requested the court to ask Mr. Onell, who was conducting the cross examination, to sit down. Onell, who had been standing up while interrogating the witness, as he is wont to do, volunteered to sit down if the defense wanted him to, and Judge Kuykendall stated that an attorney had a right to take any attitude convenient to him while questioning a witness, so long as he was not intentionally annoying a witness.

Mrs. Hunter stated that Lawrence assisted her in placing guns on the table in the front of the house as Hunter was coming through the field before he got into the road. She stated that she believed Lawrence had hold of the barrel of Mrs. Kuehne's gun when he took it from her, and stated that Lawrence had a shotgun with him when he ran down the front steps and out to where Mrs. Kuehne was.

On re-direct examination, Mrs. Hunter stated that when she saw Mrs. Kuehne pointing the gun toward her, Hunter was coming towards the house in the wagon, and passed between the house and Mrs. Kuehne just after she shot. At the time she fired out of the window, Mrs. Kuehne said Lawrence was using his shotgun.

The state this morning called Engineer Don J. Zumwalt to testify as to his cutting the section of the screen, containing the bullet hole, from the window. He stated that he measured the distance between the hole in the screen and the floor, and found it to be forty inches, and stated that the hole in the section of the screen framed and mounted on a pedestal was the same distance from the floor. He stated that the section containing the bullet hole was cut from the lower right hand corner of the screen, looking out the window.

The defense asked the witness if he measured the angle from the hole in the screen to where Mrs. Kuehne was found. Irwin objected to this, and the objection was sustained upon the ground that the examination of the witness was for the purpose of

Thirty Thousand Men for Military Training Camps



PERCY HAUGHTON, OWNER OF THE BOSTON BRAVES, NEGOTIATING AGAINST THE BUYER. CAPT. BOLING OF THE MACHINE GUN SQUAD.

With camps at seven different points and an expected enrollment of 30,000 men, the "Plattsburg idea" will loom large in national affairs this year. The "Plattsburg idea" is a plain plan for military training of Americans. It does not advocate militarism. It is simply a plan to give young men four or five weeks of healthy, outdoor life and military training in the field under regular army officers and with regular army troops.

The original Plattsburg camps will continue on Lake Champlain, where the first one will open June 5 and continue until July 2. Four other camps will follow there in succession, lasting until October 5. The first camp, this year, will be at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., from April 3 to April 30. The camp at Monterey, California, will begin early in July. Other camps will be held at Fort Sheridan,

Illinois; at San Antonio, Texas; Salt Lake City, Utah, and American Lake, Washington. Others will probably be announced a little later, especially for the Middle West.

To systematize the work, the Military Training Camps' association has been organized with headquarters at 21 Nassau street, New York City. D. K. Jay is in executive charge of the machinery for enrollment in the camps all over the country. There is no conflict among them. Each is drawing men from its tributary territory and all are working in close co-operation. Mr. Jay says, "The *all in de ewi nw* is the time for all good association will steer clear of political activities and devote itself exclusively to the single purpose of encouraging and providing military training for young men."

General Leonard Wood, head of the department in the East, in a public statement, says, "The whole object of the camps has been excellent, both from the standpoint of increasing the sense of every man's responsibility to the nation for service and his obligation to fit himself to render it effectively and efficiently. I believe all men who have attended these camps have left them better, phys-

cally and morally, and with a higher and better conception of their duty as citizens."

Since, under present conditions, the men at the camps are obliged to pay their own way, no express obligation or enlistment under the government is involved. Those who have followed the trend of the training, however, are impressed with the possibility of the Plattsburg idea becoming the foundation for a national army, through effective help and recognition by the national government. Throughout the whole idea prevails the spirit of efficiency, discipline, patriotism, and national service.

The purpose of the training camps' association is to develop the common aims not only of the several camps but to co-ordinate the Plattsburg work with results that the students' camps have accomplished. The student volunteer camps, which started at Gettysburg in 1913, have been merged into the general Plattsburg movement.

The association, from its headquarters at 21 Nassau street, New York City, has announced that it will send any applicant full details concerning enrollment and instruction.

showing the height of the bullet hole from the floor. Mrs. Hunter is to be recalled later for cross examination on this point. When Zumwalt left the stand, Surveyor E. B. Henry was called by the defense to testify regarding the screen, and he stated that the section containing the bullet hole was cut from the upper right hand corner, looking out, of the screen on the lower part of the window. The defense then again called Mrs.

ATTORNEY PASSES BEYOND IN SOUTH

WILLIAM H. SHAW SUCCEUMS AFTER AN ILLNESS OF SEVERAL MONTHS—FUNERAL TO BE UNDER AUSPICES OF ELKS

Telegrams received today from Mrs. William H. Shaw bore the sad tidings that Mr. Shaw passed away in Los Angeles. His body will arrive Sunday night.

The date of the funeral will be fixed later. The service is to be conducted by Klamath Falls Lodge, No. 1247, B. P. O. Elks, with Rev. E. C. Richards as the officiating minister.

In the demise of Shaw, the Klamath bar loses one of its most popular and most promising young members. In the five years or more, he has practiced here, he surmounted many obstacles in his earlier days and at the time he was taken ill last spring he had a wide and rapidly growing practice.

Some months ago, Shaw's condition necessitated a change of climate, and with his wife he went to Los Angeles. A short time ago he was reported as improving, but in the last few days his condition took a grave turn for the worse.

FINAL SPELLING CONTEST FRIDAY

PROGRAM WILL BE RENDERED AT OPERA HOUSE AND ONTESTANTS FROM ALL OVER COUNTY WILL COMPETE

The final contest to determine the best spellers among the scholars in the entire county will be held tomorrow night at the opera house.

A program will be rendered and between each number ten minutes will be devoted to spelling. The program follows:

- Marching Song—Children's Glee Club Reading
What It Takes to Make a Racket—Marion Maston
Song—Boys' Double Quartet
Solo—Miss Augusta Parker
Song—Girls' Chorus
Waltz Song—Children's Glee Club

CLUB WOMEN TO ATTEND SERVICE

MEMBERS OF WOMAN'S LIBRARY CLUB WILL GO IN A BODY TO PAVILION TONIGHT TO HEAR REV. MATHIS' TALK

A call for all members of the Woman's Library club to meet at the club rooms tonight has been issued by Mrs. Robert E. Wattenburg, president of the organization. The meeting is set for 7 o'clock, and shortly

afterwards the membership will go in a body to the Pavilion to attend the evening service.

This evening Evangelist Mathis is to deliver a talk of especial interest to club women and other women engaged in civic and in social service work. All interested women are especially invited to attend tonight's service.

DEBATERS LEAVE TO MEET A RIVAL

IF KLAMATH HIGH SCHOOL'S TEAM WINS AT JEFFERSON IT WILL MEET NORTH BEND LATER ON

Charles M. Dorr and Emma Honzik, the debaters of Klamath county high school, left this morning with V. T. Moteschenbacher of the faculty for Jefferson, where they will debate with Jefferson high school the question of adopting the essentials of the Swiss military training system for the United States. Should they win from Jefferson, they will later debate North Bend high school, which is the champion of the Coos Bay district, and a win from North Bend would place Klamath high close to the championship of the Oregon high school debating league.

Klamath county high will support the affirmative in the debate at Jefferson. It will also have this same side against North Bend if successful at Jefferson, a big advantage, owing to the local high school's winning the Southern Oregon championship with the same side of the question.

Here They Come Dr. Wright reports the arrival of a nine-pound voter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe. Seeds last night.

WOULD OFFER REWARD FOR VILLA'S BODY

\$50,000 FOR THE MAN, DEAD OR ALIVE

General Pershing Takes Over Railway to Facilitate Movement of His Troops—Americans Warned to Leave Southern California by British Consul—Rumor That General Herrera Joins Villa Unconfirmed

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 23.—Representative Scott today introduced a resolution in congress authorizing President Wilson to offer a reward of \$50,000 for the delivery of Villa's body to the American authorities.

United Press Service

EL PASO, Tex., March 23.—Incipient rumors of a rebellion of Carranza's army are overshadowed by a report from Pershing the he has been allowed to take over the Mexican railways for the use of the American expedition. Pershing took control of the Mexican Northwestern three days ago, it has been learned. If American infantry were sent to Madera, as reported, they may be south of Villa.

It is reported that General Luis Herrera and 2,000 Carranzistas have joined Villa. Carranza's consul, Garcia formally denied this, but the report is generally credited, in the absence of any official American denial. Heavy rains are falling in the mountains where the American troops are, and many more cases of pneumonia are reported.

United Press Service

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 23.—General Funston said today, "I believe that Pershing may have taken over the railroad operating from Casas Grandes to Cumbre tunnel, although this has not been reported to me.

Funston wirelessly Pershing asking that he send a report of the Casas Grandes situation during the last thirty-six hours, but no information could be obtained as to the answer. Funston admitted that he had heard from a "military source" reports of Herrera's defection. The entire border fears a new uprising in Mexico.

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HEAVY FIGHTING OVER 200 MILES ON WEST FRONT

RUSSIAN ATTACK EQUALS GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN EAST

Main Attack is Directed Against Railway Positions Held by the Germans—Lull in Fighting on the Eastern Front—Berlin Claims the Capture of Important Point—No Other Important Changes

United Press Service

LONDON, March 23.—General von Hindenburg's forces are being heavily assaulted on the western front by the Russians in a curved line of assault for a distance of 200 miles southeast from Riga. Kuropetkin is making a tremendous assault against the railway positions held by the Germans.

Berlin claims that these assaults have been repulsed. The fighting on the eastern front rivals that at Verdun of a few days ago.

Paris and Berlin dispatches say that there is a lull in affairs on the Western front. Berlin claims to have captured the fortified heights southwest of Harcourt, but there are no other important changes.

regular may be needed if Carranzistas continue to join Villa.

United Press Service

SAN DIEGO, March 23.—American mine owners in Mexico arriving here today on the steamer *Alleanza* said that British Consul Madden at Ensenada advised all Americans to leave Lower California for their own safety.

United Press Service

EL PASO, Tex., March 23.—It is unofficially stated that General Pershing has taken control of the Mexican Northwestern railroad, with Casas Grandes as a base. At present the authorities are transporting infantry to Madera, in an effort to get behind Villa, while Dodd's cavalry continues to push its way southward.

It is reported that the Americans trained at Casas Grandes with the equipment obtained by Pershing at Pearson and Casas Grandes. It is reported that the cavalry is protecting the railway. It is not known whether Pershing seized the railway or Carranza gave his permission for its use.

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Mathis Meetings Drawing Big Crowds Every Night

In spite of the bad weather, a fair sized crowd turned out last night to the Mathis-Vessey meetings at the Pavilion. The singers are coming to the support of Mr. and Mrs. Vessey loyally, and the numbers rendered by the large chorus choir were very good indeed. Special mention should be made of the male quartet number rendered by Messrs. Vessey, Moteschenbacher, Hayden and Taylor. They sang "The Wayside Cross" with good effect. The cornet solo by Mr. Vessey, in which the choir joined at the close of each verse, gave very pleasing effect to "The Holy City."

Very few, if any, people of any city could take exceptions to the sermon on "Forgiveness" by Mr. Mathis, was certainly a get-together sermon. Most of us make mistakes and are unjustly at various times in our lives.

and we cannot expect to be forgiven by God or man until we have done all in our power to right the wrong things done in the past, says Mr. Mathis, and prayers without works are useless. God does not do for us the things that we can do for ourselves, and He will not send a blessing until we have done our best to clear the way. If we owe any old bills at some former home, we should pay them before asking God to bless us; if we have stolen anything in the past, we should strive to return it; if we have lied about our neighbors, we should be willing to ask them to forgive us and strive to make the matter if we have traded up and down with the street walk in our lives.

Strahorn Surveys to be Started Toward Klamath

SILVER LAKE, Ore., March 23.—A crew of Strahorn's engineers, headed by Chief M. H. Bogue, have just established headquarters at Silver Lake preparatory to making a survey from this place to connect with the Klamath Falls railroad. Both surveys running southwest to Kirk and south to Bend will converge at this place. The town band and orchestra accompanied the surveying crew and their

chief at the Hotel Chrisman Saturday evening and they were given a warm greeting and welcome. Speeches of welcome and good will were made by Mayor Reed and others, and the crew was promised all accommodations and conveniences that the citizens are able to give. Enthusiasm is marked because of the appearance of the engineers, and the prospect of railroad construction in the near future.