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## Attorney Today SAYS SHERIFF ESCH

### Man Who Absconded With Over \$1200 Caught After Long Chase

## PASSED FORGED CHECKS ON LOCAL MERCHANTS

### After Burns Agency Gives Up Sheriff's Diligence Causes Arrest

After an eight months chase extending across the continent Arthur B. Cunningham, known in this city as A. B. Cook, was taken into custody in Brooklyn, New York, and Sheriff Esch will leave at once with requisition to bring the prisoner back to this city to stand trial for defaulting the Salem business men out of nearly \$1200.

Cook, or Cunningham, his real name, left here May 30 in company with his wife. He was first located in Montana but there the scent was lost and nothing was heard of the culprit for a few weeks. Later Sheriff Esch received word that the man was in Idaho and the state was thoroughly covered with posters and descriptions of the man. Cunningham next appeared at Edgewood, a suburb of Chicago, and the trail was taken up there which led to Brooklyn. Two weeks ago Sheriff Esch wired the information to the Brooklyn police that Cunningham was in that city and the Brooklyn police took up the task of locating the man. This morning Inspector of Detectives Ruror, of Brooklyn, wired to the sheriff that the man was under arrest. Cunningham has so many peculiarities in appearance and the descriptions were accompanied with an excellent likeness so there is little chance for a good detective mistaking the man once he is in custody.

Cunningham was well known in Salem and being a good talker and a booster had been accepted as a worthy citizen. He was a very active member of the Cherrians. On account of his pleasing personality and wide acquaintance he had little difficulty in duping a number of the merchants of this city.

On the Friday evening preceding Decoration Day he presented large checks at several different Salem stores in payment for minor purchases. In this manner he managed to secure nearly \$1200 in money on checks that he had forged. As the next day was a holiday the fact that the checks were forged was not discovered until the following Monday. Cook and his wife quietly departed Saturday afternoon on the 2 o'clock electric leaving a fire burning in their home and by the time the forgery was discovered Monday they were so far from Salem that it was difficult to locate them.

Firms who suffered losses as a result of the forgery by Cook included F. Light, tailor; Shaw Brothers, tailors; George C. Will, piano store; Patterson Pool Room; Jones & Moore, furniture dealers; Hansen Brothers, sporting goods; Toggery, clothing store; Dune & Son, groceries; Kraft, grocer; Roy Nelson, and J. G. Smith, jeweler.

In commenting upon the arrest of Cook this afternoon a prominent Salem business man who has followed the case very closely stated that County Sheriff William Esch was entitled to all the credit for his apprehension. The Burns operatives who labored on the case for a long time and at considerable expense accomplished very little but Esch's continued and determined efforts finally placed the man in custody.

## No Penalty If First Half of Taxes Paid By April 1

In accordance with an opinion given by Attorney General Brown, the state tax commission last evening gave out a statement to the effect that under the provisions of an act of the last legislature, which will go into effect on May 22 of this year, all penalties and interest due on the second half of taxes, where the first half is paid before April 1 of this year, will be canceled and cannot be collected. This statement is made public in order to correct the misapprehension that tax collectors over the state seem to have become involved as a result of the conflict in the tax code in effect the past two years.

Waste section 2 of the act referred to specifically provides that in cases where such interest and penalty may have been estimated to have been incurred are declared to be remitted and satisfied and where extended upon the tax rolls the tax collector is instructed to "forthwith satisfy and cancel the same upon such rolls," but no specific provision is made whereby, in such cases where the interest and penalty have been collected, that the same shall be remitted or rebated to the taxpayer.

## THE WAR LINEUP.

Turkey.—Having demolished outer Dardanelles forts, Anglo-French fleet is shelling land fortifications. Main Turkish fleet not resisting allies. Turkey asserts three allies warships were damaged during bombardment.

North Sea and English Channel.—No more disasters to British merchantmen reported. Berlin insists British transports torpedoed and sunk off Eastbourne, 1800 British troops perishing.

Poland.—Berlin asserts Germans advancing on Warsaw from two sides; one only 40 miles from city, other 50 miles. Petrograd claims victories north of Warsaw.

Galicja.—Petrograd asserts Austrians checked near Stanislaw; advance toward Lemberg also checked.

Montenegro.—Paris announced French torpedo boat Dague struck mine and sank in Antivari harbor. Thirty-eight members of crew drowned.

France and Belgium.—Rains prevent activities in Flanders.

## MASON DISCUSSES BIG TASK AHEAD OF FLEET IN PASSING STRAIT

## If Dardanelles Forts Are Passed Then Constantinople Is Doomed

By J. W. T. Mason.

New York, Feb. 26.—If the allied fleet succeeds in forcing the Dardanelles it will be one of the most remarkable naval victories in history. The strait there is between one and four miles and is forty miles long. Heavily fortified works command the waterway from both sides, and the mine fields present even a more formidable obstacle. The mines are believed to be laid in seven rows.

A single narrow channel has been left free for the passage of Turkish warships but it may be closed quickly if the allied fleet passes the entrance to the strait. Inefficient use of the Dardanelles defense by the Turks, coupled with good luck on the part of the attacking force, must operate together to give the allies a victory.

That the Turks are capable of gross inefficiency, even under German supervision, has been demonstrated by the severe defeat inflicted on the Ottoman by Russia's Caucasian army.

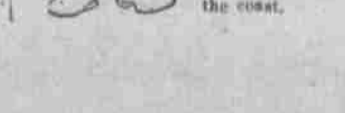
Once through the Dardanelles, the allied warships would have to steam about 120 miles through the Sea of Marmora before reaching Constantinople. The second passage, however, would be less dangerous than the first. The Sea of Marmora is too wide to be commanded by shore batteries. A few inferior land defenses and mines would be encountered, and if the Turkish fleet was ordered into action a further slight resistance might develop. But Constantinople cannot be defended properly except along the Dardanelles. Once the strait was forced, Constantinople would be doomed.

The fall of Constantinople would be of immense commercial advantage to the allies. It would permit Russia to resume her trade with the world and allow Russia's immense grain supplies to be sent to France and England, and also place at the disposal of the allies many merchantmen now bottled up in the Black sea.

The capture of Constantinople by France and England without Russia's help would result in silent rejoicing in both countries. It would mean that the western powers would have the deciding voice in determining the future status of Constantinople and the Dardanelles. If the Slavs subdued Constantinople, Russia would demand absolute sovereignty over the conquered territory. This is the last thing that England and France desire. Italy, Greece, Bulgaria and Rumania also would object.

## The Weather

Origin: Fair  
east, rain west  
partly bright  
Saturday rain;  
winds shifting to  
southerly and in-  
creasing along  
the coast.



## TWO TEUTONIC ARMIES ARE ADVANCING UPON WARSAW FROM NORTH

### Allies Make Widespread Gains in France—Russians Report Victories

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Feb. 26.—Warsaw, capital of Poland, is menaced by two Teutonic armies which are advancing upon it north of the Vistula river, according to advices received today from the front.

Traveling eastward through Plock, the German advance guard today was less than forty miles from the Russian stronghold. From the other side the center of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's right wing was less than fifty miles distant, advancing slowly but steadily.

Official dispatches reported unimportant engagements fought in the last 24 hours. Both sides are now massing for a new battle.

On the right bank of the Vistula the Slavs are retiring upon fortified positions at Wyszowol, at the confluence of the Vistula and Baura rivers.

Allies Gain in France.

Paris, Feb. 26.—Gains by the allied forces along many parts of their lines in France, particularly west of La Basson and in the Apremont forest were claimed in an official statement issued this afternoon by the French war office.

Along the road from Bethune to La Basson the Germans essayed a series of determined charges. These were thrown back with heavy loss by the British, who, in turn, delivered a counter attack and captured 100 yards of the enemy's trenches.

In the forest of Apremont, French infantry, by a splendid bayonet attack, forced the Germans to evacuate several trenches, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Steady progress has been made by the French near Perthes. They are endeavoring to sweep the Germans away from that section in order to relieve the pressure on the French lines at Rheims.

The Belgian army is stubbornly resisting strong German attacks in Flanders. They have recaptured from the Germans a trench lost several weeks ago.

The Germans bombarded the French positions along the Aisne for several hours yesterday, it was announced. The French replied so vigorously that several German guns were silenced. The official statement also asserts that French guns wrecked several German trenches along the Meuse and in one instance forced an enemy battery to withdraw.

All attempts on the part of the German crown prince's army to invest Verdun are declared to have been defeated. It was pointed out by the war office that the investment has been one of the principal aims of the enemy. Not only have the Germans been repulsed in their attacks but they have lost ground generally in that region.

German losses in the recent fighting along the Meuse are officially estimated at 5,000.

## FRENCH FLEET NOW BOMBARDING LAND FORTIFICATIONS

### Passed Dardanelles Forts But Fierce Fighting Continues

London, Feb. 26.—Proceeded by mine sweepers, the French fleet today moved past the Dardanelles forts, which its guns demolished after several days' shelling and opened a terrific bombardment of the land fortifications on both sides of the strait, according to Athens dispatches.

No resistance to the advance of the allies was offered by the main Turkish fleet, which is lying in Niagara Roads, 25 miles away, in the narrowest part of the waterway. If the Anglo-French warships succeed in battering their way past the chain of forts lining both sides of the waterway leading to the strait, the most decisive naval battle of the whole European war is likely to be fought there.

Announcement by the admiralty last night that the outer forts of the Dardanelles had been reduced was received here with wild enthusiasm.

Three Ships Damaged.

Athens, Feb. 26.—One British battleship and two French cruisers were damaged during yesterday's bombardment of the Dardanelles outer forts, a Constantinople dispatch received today asserted. No mention was made in the message of the reduction of the forts. It was declared that the fleet retired after shelling the forts on the Asiatic side for several hours.

## EDWARD RAVEAUX AGAIN COMMITTED TO ASYLUM

### Is Held In Jail Over Night Following Charge of Choking Woman

Edward Raveaux was committed to the Oregon state hospital for the insane this morning in spite of the vigorous protest registered by his mother and his sister, Mrs. John Fisher. Raveaux was paroled from the asylum on January 18 of this year, and had been staying at the home of his mother and at that of his sister, at 524 North 15th street. Last night a complaint was phoned into the police station that Raveaux had had a fight with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Louis Havelock. Officers Stubbs and Varney were sent to the place, and took Raveaux to the county jail to spend the night. This morning he was brought into the county court, where he was examined by Drs. D. H. Byrd and County Judge Busby.

The hearing revealed an undercurrent of family trouble and some neighborhood gossip, and Raveaux protested against being taken back to the asylum, though he said he had been well treated during his 18 months' residence at that institution. It was stated that he chased his sister-in-law across the yard because she had wanted him to return to the asylum. She fell down in her flight, and this gave rise to the report that he had choked her, which incident appeared to be a mistake.

John Fisher, a brother in law of Raveaux, said that the man was overly talkative but generally harmless, and that he could be easily taken care of if he were out in the country, where he would not alarm the neighbors. Dr. Byrd gave it as his opinion that another short treatment in the asylum would remove the trouble. Raveaux has a wife and two children in Portland, but has not been living with them since his release. He suffered from a siege of sickness some years ago, and has not been entirely well since.

Garage on State street.

It is the intention of the company to put on three cars, with a transfer to any of their regular routes. These routes do not, to any extent, come in competition with the street cars, excepting the one on Liberty and Cottage streets, to the fair grounds. One of the routes will include West Salem; another will take in Front and Commercial streets, while another regular route will include 21st street and the Turner road. The company also intend to have a car ready at their headquarters to go into any part of the city.

## UNITED STATES TO ENACT ROLE OF BIG BROTHER TO ENGLAND AND GERMANY

### Will Demonstrate That This Country Is Not Moved by Entirely Selfish Motives

Washington, Feb. 26.—The United States government is now enacting the role of "big brother" to England and Germany, administration authorities declared today in discussing the diplomatic situation growing out of the "hunger war" between the European belligerents.

The modified list of "strict accountability" which was shown in the recent protests regarding the use of neutral flags and the extension of the German war zone has been withdrawn and the humanitarian idea hereafter will be advanced in the American negotiations.

As the result of England's veiled taunts that the American government has a policy of dual diplomacy the administration hereafter will relegate to the background in its negotiations the interests of American commerce. It is hoped that the belligerents both England and Germany can be made to believe that this government is not acting from selfish motives. It expects to protect the rights of American shippers, but it wishes to act in these cases from the standpoint of a desire to benefit humanity in general rather than to get whatever material benefit would accrue to American commerce.

One of the chief concerns of President Wilson and his advisers in the present situation is the fear that if the belligerent nations adopt a policy of retaliation against each other such measures will know no bounds. Well grounded principles of international law, hitherto universally accepted, might be distorted or ignored altogether in the heat of passion which retaliatory measures would engender.

In the "hunger war" on which both Great Britain and Germany seem to have launched, the safety of prisoners of war might be seriously involved. It is pointed out that should Germany be driven to it, she might refuse to furnish the foreign prisoners with food in any ample quantities as might otherwise be the case, had the hunger campaign been withheld.

There is also considerable anxiety among administration officials lest the starvation of German civilians arouse the anger of the American people against England and her allies.

## POSSIBLE CHANGES IN STATE OFFICES PUZZLE

### New Warden at State Penitentiary Believed To Be Principle Change

Since the additional work incident to the session of the legislature has slackened up a bit and matters of state interest have just about settled back to normal speculation has begun to revive about the possibilities of changes in the personnel at the different state institutions in view of the change of administration. However wild these speculations may have flitted about through the corridors of the state house, there seems to be no indication on the part of any of the members of the board of control to make any radical changes in any state institution, and only such as are deemed necessary to promote harmony in the affairs of state and change of policy will be made.

Governor Withycombe is in Corvallis today, but will return tomorrow, and Secretary Olcott contemplates taking a brief vacation next week, so it is quite possible a meeting of the board will be held some time Saturday, when the question of what changes are necessary and expedient will be thrashed out and settled upon. It is not believed that any changes will be made in the heads of any of the institutions, at least for the present, with the possible exception of the penitentiary, where, on account of Warden Lawson having been appointed by former Governor West for the express purpose of carrying out his prison reform policy, and his policy not being approved by the present administration, or at least a majority of the board, a new warden will probably be appointed immediately.

There are numerous applications for the position, but it seems to be the consensus of opinion among those who pretend to know, that Harry P. Minto, a lifelong resident and former chief of police of Salem and sheriff of Marion county for two successive terms, will be the new head of the penitentiary. If Harry Minto is awarded the wardenship of the prison, it is expected that full authority and control will be given him, and since he will be held responsible by the board for the conduct of the institution, it is quite probable that this will mean an extensive change in the personnel of penitentiary officials, although this does not necessarily follow.

## ALABAMA HAS BUSINESS MAN AS NEW GOVERNOR IN CHARLES HENDERSON



Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 26.—Alabama has a business man as governor. He is Charles Henderson, merchant and banker and man of wide business experience. His term is for four years, and he is, of course, a Democrat.

## THIRD OF SERIES OF MURDERS AT AURORA

### Young Girl Is Found With Head Mashed Near Spot Where Others Found

Aurora, Ill., Feb. 26.—With 57 suspects in custody, the Aurora police and private detectives were making determined efforts this afternoon to solve the mystery of the murder of Miss Emma Peterson, 22, whose body, with the head crushed, was found near the home of Ex-United States Senator A. J. Hopkins last night.

The only clues the experts have on which to work are a woolen mitten, believed to have belonged to the murderer and an 18-inch section of gas pipe, found half a block from the spot where the body was picked up. Spurred on by the public sentiment that has been aroused by the fact that two other girl murders, similar to this one in detail, have gone unsolved, the officers are doing everything in their power to run down the criminal.

Miss Peterson's father reported to the police today that his daughter had been pursued by a man Wednesday night near the spot where she was later murdered. She was not able, however, to give a very definite description of the would-be assailant.

Emma Peterson, 22, was found murdered last night, her head having been terribly battered. She had been slain in exactly the same manner as had two other girls murdered not far from the same spot.

John Mason, aged 56, was detained by the police in connection with the case but was later released. Citizens demanded that private detectives be employed to aid the local police in running down the slayers. Twenty negroes and fifteen white men were arrested today as suspects, and bloodhounds were brought from Decatur and put on the trail.

This is the third murder in Aurora since February, 1914.

Just a year ago Theresa Hollander was beaten to death by an unknown man in a cemetery here. Tony Petrus, her former suitor, was arrested and was twice acquitted of the charge of murder.

Last November Jennie Miller, reputed to be the richest woman in Aurora, a daughter of former Mayor Miller, was clubbed to death in a local chophouse. No clue to the slayer was ever found.

Another brutal murder, similar in character to those which occurred near Aurora, was the killing of Mrs. Mildred Rexroat, a tango teacher. She was found beaten to death beside a railroad track between here and Chicago. Henry Spinner confessed the crime but later repudiated the confession and protested his innocence just before he was hanged.

Rose Tallies With Description of St. Joseph Defaulter

The description of Orin J. Rose, received by wire from the chief of police of St. Joseph, Missouri, exactly tallies with the man held in the county jail here as O. J. Rose, whose mind went blank here Monday night, and an officer from that city is already on the way here with requisition papers to return with the prisoner. Rose is wanted on a charge of defaulting with \$3000 belonging to the S. B. Allen Grocery Co. in August, 1914.

The man who is away from home most of the time dodges a lot of domestic trouble.

## BRITISH TRANSPORT IS SUNK AND 1800 DROWN SAYS BERLIN

### Berlin Papers Comment Very Sarcastically On Naval Power of England

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Feb. 26.—German officials here still insisted today that a British transport was torpedoed recently by a German submarine in the English channel. A statement issued by the press bureau said that 1800 British soldiers were drowned. It was declared that a report to this effect had been sent to Lloyd's from Eastbourne.

Berlin newspapers, in publishing reports of the sinking by German submarines of enemy merchant vessels, commented sarcastically on Great Britain's "naval supremacy." One paper, in connection with a report from Amsterdam that 20 steamships had been sunk since the "war zone" was established, said: "The 'war zone' was established, and 'British rule the waves' has become an irony."

Exchange of prisoners wounded so seriously as to be unable to return to the fighting front was begun today by Germany and France. Announcement of an agreement to this effect between the two countries issued was made here yesterday.

Dispatches from Bern declare it has been learned there, from neutral channels of information, that France, England and Russia hold 58,927 German prisoners, while Germany has about 700,000 allied soldiers.

Many Perish When Dague Sinks.

Paris, Feb. 26.—It was officially announced here today that the French torpedo boat Dague struck an Austrian mine in the harbor of Antivari and sank. Thirty eight members of the crew perished.

The Dague was escorting ships laden with food to Montenegro. The explosion which sank the vessel occurred yesterday at the entrance to Antivari harbor.

Damaged Vessel Makes Port.

Amsterdam, Feb. 26.—The Swedish steamer Svarton arrived at Trondheim today with a big hole in her bow, the victim either of a German mine or submarine. There were no casualties.

Three of Carib Crew Drowned.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Consul General Liston, at Rotterdam, advised the state department today that three men had perished when the American steamer Carib struck a mine and sank a few days ago while in British waters.

Star Liners Will Still Run.

New York, Feb. 26.—Officials of the International Mercantile Marine Corporation, operating the White Star and the Red Star lines, denied today that they had received notification from the British admiralty that all sailings to New York from Liverpool, Glasgow and London had been temporarily suspended.

Rev. Bonebrake Holding  
Revival at U. B. Church

The Englewood United Brethren church and the Nazarene church are continuing the evangelistic campaign at the United Brethren church every evening of this week and next. Rev. P. G. Bonebrake, a former presiding elder of the Salem district, is the evangelist in charge. The meetings open every evening at 7:30 with an interesting song service. These song services are very interesting and are well attended. The church people have posters announcing the services on every available space.

Four Killed—Much Damage by New England Flood

Boston, Feb. 26.—Four persons are known to be dead today and thousands of others' damage done in New England as the result of floods, according to advices received here.

The four victims were crushed to death when an ice jam at Lisbon, N. H., was swept away by the swift current of a swollen stream.