

DEMAND TRIAL ON MURDER CHARGE

CANNOT STAND HORRORS OF INSANE ASYLUM

CASE DOCKETED FOR JUNE 5

Amos Hercules, Alleged Slayer of Seagure, to Be Returned From Patton Asylum at Once

Struggling between two horrors, that of remaining in an insane asylum, possessing all the mental faculties of the sane person, or facing a jury in a criminal court with a charge of murder against him, has been the condition of Amos Hercules, a railroad employe, who was sent to Patton asylum from Los Angeles about a year ago on a charge of insanity, and who yesterday decided to take the final step and sent to the district attorney's office a demand to be taken to Los Angeles for trial.

The case of Hercules has been one of the most curious in the annals of crime. He was employed in the Redondo railroad shops prior to the tragedy which has ruined his life.

During December, 1903, he was ordered to assist a man named Seagure, who was employed as assistant to the shop blacksmith, to carry in some coal for the forge.

Hercules started to carry out the order, but when he reached the coal box he revolted at the idea of the mental work and went back to his labor without having fulfilled the order.

The affair was reported to headquarters and Hercules was discharged. He went away and brooded over the affair for three days. His discharge seemed to have caused him considerable worry and he returned to the shops several times and asked to be taken back again.

Slaying of Seagure

Finally, according to the story, Hercules decided to wipe out the whole list of railroad shop employes, and is said to have written a note telling of his intentions, and then to have gone to the railroad shops armed with two revolvers.

When Hercules arrived at the shops he entered into conversation with the men with whom he had formerly been employed.

"Do you intend to take me back?" he asked. Upon receiving a negative answer, he again asked: "Then it is all off?" "All off," answered one of the men.

Like a flash, it is alleged, Hercules leaped to the top of a stool and leveled his revolvers. Flash after flash came from the muzzles, according to the evidence, as he fired into the crowd of workmen. Before he was overpowered Seagure had been shot and killed.

When officers reached the place Hercules stood in the middle of the shop and his face was an utter blank. At times an idiotic laugh came from him, but with that exception he made no sign that he appreciated what he had done.

At the preliminary examination it was noticeable that the man was not shamming insanity and he was taken before a lunacy commission. A verdict ordered him committed in Patton and the case was removed from the docket. His petition to be taken to Los Angeles for trial on the charge met with instant attention from the district attorney's office and the case will be set for June 5.

Woman's Clubs

Election of Officers

The Highland Park Ebell club, the baby branch of the Ebell club, met Tuesday and elected officers to serve through the coming year. Mrs. M. D. Osmud was chosen president, and Mrs. R. H. Tripp, who has served the club so charmingly as president during the past year, was elected first vice president. Other officers are: Second vice president, Mrs. R. Hood; treasurer, Mrs. S. S. Judson; recording secretary, Mrs. Hamner; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. S. McClelland; critics, Mrs. C. R. Ritchie and Mrs. Grant.

Although less than two years old the club has had a remarkable growth and is foremost in all affairs, social, intellectual and civic, in Highland Park. The members are planning as their closing event a reception which promises to be a delightful affair and several hundred invitations will be sent out in a few days.

Ruskin Art Club

Under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Kanst the Ruskin Art club spent a delightful morning yesterday studying the works and lives of the painters of Holland, Belgium and Germany. Mrs. Kanst was the club delegate to the Woman's parliament and she also made this an occasion for giving her report. After introductory remarks by the leader several papers on the different artists were read by members of the club. Miss Victoria Witmer was one of the young women who contributed to this part of the program and "Holland" was made the subject of an interesting sketch. Mrs. Nichols read a paper on "Israel" and Mrs. J. W. Hendricks one on "Mauve and Mesdag." "Ander Voin" was the artist chosen by Miss Letha Lewis for her paper and Mrs. Koyer spoke of "Winters."

Plans for the exhibit are progressing rapidly and a report yesterday showed everything in a very favorable condition. All artists of Southern California are invited to submit work to the jurors

ACCUSED MURDERER PREFERENCES TRIAL TO ASYLUM LIFE



AMOS HERCULES, CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF SEAGURE

before Saturday evening, when the time for entries closes.

W. C. T. U. Federation

The regular monthly meeting of the federation of the Los Angeles Woman's Christian Temperance unions was held yesterday in the Vernon Congregational church. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Hattie F. Merrill and was opened with devotionals by Miss G. T. Stickney. After the regular business session Mrs. Kate Tupper Wilkes, who has been appointed superintendent to organize the women to work in the no-saloon campaign, gave directions to them regarding the distribution of literature and other campaigning. Mrs. Burlingame of Rhode Island led a symposium, "Saloon or No Saloon," declaring if the movement to abolish the saloon fails it will be because of the ignorance and indifference of the people. Others who took part in a lively discussion on this subject were Mrs. Hester T. Griffith, Mrs. Celia Noll, Mrs. E. P. Boler and Miss G. T. Stickney. Luncheon was served at noon and Rev. William Davis opened the afternoon session. Mrs. Oliver Stewart, vice president of the Suffrage league of Illinois, gave an answer to the question, "Why do women want the ballot?" in a speech filled with witty and pointed remarks. Music was furnished by Miss Cecil Barlow, Carl Shaddan and Mrs. W. H. Carpenter.

Diamond Medal Contest

An oratorical diamond medal contest will be given Friday evening, May 26, in the First Congregational church on Hope street, between Eighth and Ninth streets. The affair is in charge of Mrs. Alice Chantry of Whittier, the superintendent of medal contest work.

Following are the contestants: George Pierson of Pasadena, R. L. Smith of Whittier, Eugene Tincher of Pomona, Miss Myrtle Grant of Los Angeles, Miss Alma Swain of Whittier and Mrs. D. Shields of Glendora.

Tuesday Topics Club

An account of a journey through Norway and Sweden, illustrated with views, given by Miss Victoria Witmer at the meeting of the Tuesday Current Topics club, was one of the most interesting features of the session. The paper was given in Miss Witmer's

ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE WEDNESDAY MORNING CLUB



MRS. PHILIP GERHARDY

Mrs. Phillip Gerhardy has been elected a member of the club since its infancy and she is considered a very capable woman and one who will do honor to the position. She was prominent on the committee in charge of the meeting of the state federation held recently in Los Angeles and is also a member of the Friday Morning club.

Mrs. M. A. Foster was chosen to fill the former place of Mrs. Gerhardy as first vice president. Following the election, business affairs in relation to the work of next year were discussed and plans made for the closing event of the year. It was decided that this shall be a picnic to be held in Miller's canyon next Wednesday. The club members will leave on the Hollywood cars at 10 o'clock from Fourth and Broadway and the day will be spent in a delightful manner in the pretty canyon.

usual charming manner and awakened the keenest interest. It answers in some ways the question which has been creating much discussion of late: "Why should these countries, united by nature, wish to become separated?" Mrs. Riddle gave a sketch of James Hyde of the Equitable, and several others added items concerning that institution and its members. The storm centers of the world's politics were investigated and the usual review of archaeological and scientific discoveries was given.

Business Woman's Club

The Los Angeles Business Woman's club will give a banquet and musical next Wednesday evening for the purpose of raising money for a fund to be used in starting a library in the club. The club is progressing in a manner that exceeds what some of the founders had hoped, and it is expected that this affair will be a delightful social event.

Los Angeles W. C. T. U.

The Los Angeles Union W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon in the First Methodist church and a symposium on the subject "My Path in the No-saloon Movement" will occupy the afternoon. It will be led by the president of the union, Mrs. Lucy Blanchard.

LAUNCH CATCHES FIRE

Occupants Jump Overboard but Reach Shore Safely

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, May 17.—A launch in which were John S. Huyler, the wealthy manufacturer; his son-in-law and three other men who were about to board a steam yacht in the Hudson, has caught fire. Oil in the bottom of the launch became ignited a moment after leaving the dock and the blaze spread quickly to the bow.

Mr. Huyler and two others sitting there were compelled to jump overboard to save themselves. All are good swimmers and had little difficulty in reaching shore. The fire was extinguished in time to avert a serious accident.

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NINE-YEAR-OLD GIRL LINGUIST

SPEAKS SEVERAL LANGUAGES FLUENTLY

INTERPRETER FOR GRANDMA

Mother of the Child is Spanish and Father an Italian—Little One's Smartness Far Exceeds Her Age

A 9-year-old interpreter is the latest wonder to be discovered among the school youngsters of Los Angeles. The child is Juanita Salites, an orphan, who lives with her great grandmother at Ninth and Mateo streets. The old woman had occasion to visit the county clerk's offices yesterday, accompanied by the little girl. With smartness far exceeding her age the child took the necessary questions from the clerk and without an instant's hesitation translated them to her aged relative, while the clerks looked on in wonder at the child's remarkable command of the English language. Smoothly and rapidly came the flow of words from the little one's mouth, while her great black eyes snapped with intelligence and comprehension. She seemed to thoroughly understand and enjoy her work.

Speaks Perfect English

The child's English is more perfect than that of the ordinary child of 12 or 13 years of age, and she handled the legal phrases of the pension report as though it were A, B, C or a fairy story.

The little one's mother was a Spanish woman and her father an Italian. Both died when the girl was a baby and she scarcely remembers them, but a faint recollection of the sweet syllables of her father's language still clings to her, and occasionally a little Italian song, in its minor key, comes from the child's throat as the only sacred legacy from the long forgotten parent.

The great grandmother of the child is Mrs. Clara Salites, an aged Indian woman, who was prominent in the early history of California and who is now spending her last years with none but the 9-year-old descendant to keep her company.

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