MOONSHINE FIGHT ENDS IN MURDER

Police Say Captive Has Admitted Shooting of Charles Johnson During Quarrel

Confession of the murder of Charles Johnson, 35, in a quarrel over a jug of moonshine is alleged to have been made by Charles Helaner, 47, sailor, held in city jail on an open charge Wednesday.

Johnson was shot during the quarrel in his cabin on the west bank of the West Waterway, four blocks south of Spokane st., some time Monday. Police were not notified until 7 p. m. Tuesday. An hour later Detectives Jack Landis and Jim Byrnes arrested Helaner in the Europe house, 2300½ First ave., as he was arranging to leave the city.

Helaner was taken before Detective Lieut. W. B. Kent and questioned.

"Johnson was running a blind pig," Helaner told Lieut. Kent. "He and I and five other fellows went to his shack. He asked me to go and dig up a gallon of moonshine from its hiding place in the sand, where I had seen him bury it.

"When I couldn't find it I went back towards the shack and met Johnson coming from it. He accused me of taking it and kicked me on the nose (Helaner's nose was bruised) and we fought. He was big and powerful and pummeled me. We broke.

"'I am going to kill you,' he said and went into his shack. I ran to my launch, moored to a shack beside Johnson's, and got my gun. As he opened the door of his cabin I fired."

The bullet tore a hole in the door and struck Johnson in the chest. The other men of the party were in Johnson's shack. Helaner and all of them ran away. Helaner told Lieut. Kent he didn't know that Johnson was dead until Tuesday.

Helaner was signing a bill of sale for his launch, Charco, when arrested.

War Pigeons Given a Home in Park Zoo

Two carrier pigeons that served as messengers for the German troops during the Great War, have just been brought to the Woodland Park zoo by William Schoenfeld of the Pigeon service of the U. S. A., and a former Star reporter. He lives at 2657 87th st.

One of the birds was taken with a loft, captured by the Americans in a big drive on St. Mihiel in September, 1918, the other was taken at St. Benoit. Identification bands marked with the German crown are still on the legs of the birds.

Two American messenger birds, which were taken from the United States to France and used in the Pigeon service of the A. E. F., are also at the zoo. They were bought by Sergeant Schoenfeld at a public auction held by the U. S. government at the breeding base at Ft. de la Bonnelle, near Langres, (Haute Marne) France.

In April nearly 1,000 of the birds were landed at Hoboken. Of them 200 were for the U. S. government, 10 of them German birds. The others belonged to members of the pigeon service.

Only three of the German birds are west of Chicago; the other belongs to Mr. Ralph Norbam, 714 Harvard ave. N., Seattle. Schoenfeld has given the four birds to the zoo where they are on exhibit at the aviary.

CENSUS GIVEN OF 5 COUNTIES

Jefferson Shows 21 Per Cent Decrease

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The census bureau today announced the following 1920 population results:

Columbia, Wash., 6,093.
Garfield, Wash., 3,875.
Jefferson, Wash., 6,557.
Pacific, Wash., 14,891.
Wahkiakum, Wash., 3,372.
Counties increased since 1910:
Pacific, Wash., 2,359, or 18.8.
Wahkiakum, Wash., 187, or 2.6.
Decreases:
Columbia, Wash., 949, or 13.5.
Garfield, Wash., 34, or 7.7.
Jefferson, Wash., 1,780, or 21.4.

PONZI'S AGENT SURRENDERS

H. T. Neilson, Second to Chief, Gives Up

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 18.—(United Press.)—The second important arrest in the Ponzi mystery was made today when Henry T. H. Neilson, of Cambridge, one of Ponzi's chief agents, surrendered to the police. A warrant charging him with the larceny of $500 was immediately served.

Neilson's arrest was considered next in importance to that of Ponzi himself. It was reported that Neilson made huge profits by "investing" with Ponzi and by acting as Ponzi's agent, for which it was said he received substantial commissions.

Boyle Installed as U. S. Attorney

John M. Boyle Jr. of Tacoma was formally installed as assistant United States district attorney Tuesday afternoon. Confirmation of his appointment was received Monday.

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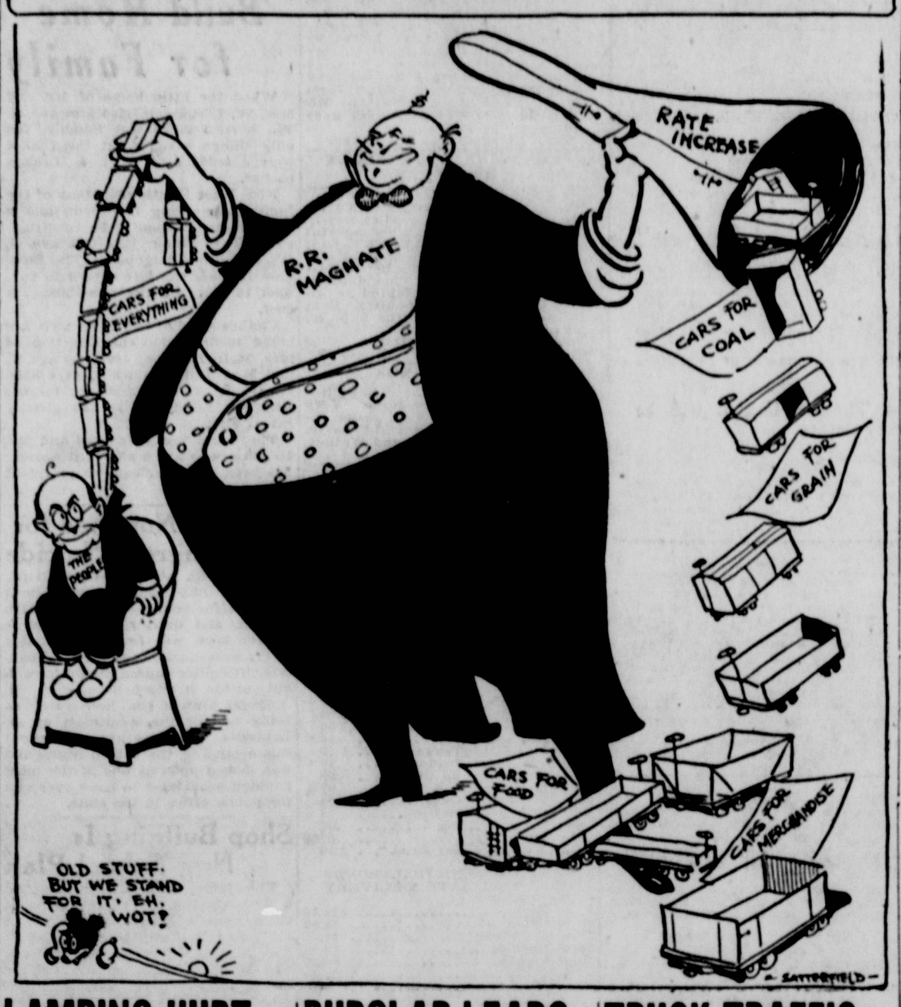

LAMPING HURT BY TREE'S FALL

Huge Timber Drops on Candidate's Auto

With one hand badly crushed and face and chest severely bruised, George B. Lamping of Seattle, candidate for governor, was in St. Peter's hospital in Olympia Wednesday, as the result of being struck by a falling tree as he was in his automobile en route to Aberdeen.

Lamping sustained no internal injuries, physicians declare.

With E. W. Braillard, his secretary, Lamping was driving from Olympia to Aberdeen, where he was scheduled to deliver an address Tuesday evening. When about eight miles out of the city a dead tree toppled over the road, striking the car and crushing the occupants beneath it.

Two women driving along the highway rushed to the assistance of the injured men. Lamping was able to drag himself from the ruins of the auto, but collapsed when he attempted to get to his feet. Braillard was not so badly hurt.

Rushed to St. Peter's hospital in Olympia, physicians found that Lamping's left ear was almost severed, necessitating several stitches. One hand was badly crushed and there were numerous facial cuts and abrasions. Hospital authorities declared that Senator Lamping could not be removed for several days.

The injuries suffered by Senator Lamping, while serious and sufficient to keep him out of the campaign for some time, are not believed to be dangerous. Shortly after the accident Lamping insisted on proceeding to Aberdeen to fill his engagement there. Physicians refused to allow him to leave the hospital.

Bloodhounds Soon Capture Convicts

WALLA WALLA, Aug. 18.—Prison blood hounds were responsible for the capture of William Burke and Lee Brookshire, escaped convicts, Tuesday. The men slipped away from the prison farm where they were working. The dogs son overtook them.

HE TOOTED!

This is how Candidate Warren G. Harding looked when, as a youth, he played a horn in his home-town band. Note the plumed hat, foxy buttons and epaulets of the uniform.

BURGLAR LEAPS OUT OF WINDOW

Housewife Returns to Find Him at Work

When Mrs. B. A. McCusker, 3802 W. Wade st., returned home Tuesday evening she was reflecting on the uninterestingness of life as compared with the movies.

As she opened the front door the beam of an electric torch swept the room, there was a swish, a crash of glass, and a moment later a dark figure leaped from a side window and disappeared in the dark.

Detectives were looking for the burglar Wednesday. He escaped with a silver mesh purse, a gold ring set with pearls and other jewelry.

Port Strike Causes Shots and Injuries

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Two white men were shot and a number of negroes injured in a fight between port strikers and negro strike-breakers here yesterday. There was a running fight in which bricks and stones were thrown and numerous shots fired.

TRUCK TRAFFIC HARD ON ROAD

Demands Heavier Base, Say Engineers

Roads in the vicinity of Seattle are on the whole very good, but those subjected to heavy truck traffic, such as the Bothell highway, should have a center crown of at least ten inches instead of the present five to seven, and should be eight inches thick at the edge, in the opinion of officials of the Portland Cement association, who are in conference here.

A report on road conditions as they have found them was made by William T. Kinney, of Chicago, general manager of the association, at a banquet at the Arctic club Tuesday evening.

The convention will close today with a trip over Seattle's streets and boulevards.

It is estimated one sea lion will eat 50 to 100 salmon a day, or the equivalent in other fish.

More than 99 per cent of the human gastric juice is water.

Deputy Loses His Badge for Raiding Game

"I've got yuh faded!"

"Big Dick from Boston; turn up them eyes, Baby!"

"Crap, doggone yuh, crap!"

L. Lencher, a watchman, heard these mystic vocables while lounging about the picnic grounds at Fortuna Park Tuesday afternoon.

"By gum, they can't make small of me!" he grunted, throwing back his lapel to display a special deputy sheriff's badge.

DICE ATHLETES NEARLY IN RIOT

"Two bits he doesn't!" shouted one of the African golfers, as the watchman stooped for the dice.

The Ethiopian dominoes rolled over into a perfect "natural," but Lencher is alleged to have scooped up all the loose change on the turf, a matter of $20, "in the name of the law.

A fair-sized riot threatened to ensue. Indignant picnickers protested vigorously at the interruption to their athletics.

WHO'LL PAY FOR DEPUTY'S BADGE?

Altho Lencher returned the money, his interruption of the crap game resulted in his arrest on a charge of "impersonating an officer." Legal sharks in the prosecuting attorney's office held that his commission was good only at the shipyard where he was employed as a watchman.

At the sheriff's office, following his arrest, Lencher's special deputy sheriff's commission was promptly confiscated.

"It cost $2.35," wailed the erstwhile "officer." "Who's going to pay me back that money; tell me that?"

Nobody could tell him. Lencher furnished $100 bail in Justice Otis W. Brinker's court.

Zionist Speakers in Seattle Tonight

Charles R. Cowen, New York lawyer and one of the leaders of the Zionist movement since its inception, will speak at the Bikur Cholum synagogue Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Cowen is accompanied by Prof. Paul Radin, director of the Zionist bureau of the Pacific coast. He is a member of the faculty of the University of California.

Whew! Quarter of Million in Whisky

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 18.—More than 5,000 cases of the finest bottled whisky, the property of the Canadian Pacific Wine company, were confiscated by the government Tuesday. The wholesale value of the stock was $237,000. This is probably the greatest seizure of liquor ever made in Canada.

The whisky was seized on the ground that it was uulawfully kept in the province for sale.

Report 100 Cases of Yellow Fever

VERA CRUZ, Aug. 1?.—More than 100 cases of yellow fever exist in Vera Cruz. Six deaths occurred today. Many persons have fled from Vera Cruz and from the other coast towns affected.

WAR ENGINEERS ORGANIZE HERE

20 Veterans Attend First Meeting

Seattle post of the Society of Military Engineers was organized Tuesday night in the Chamber of Commerce assembly room by 20 engineers at one time connected with army engineering. A charter from the national organization of that name will be applied for.

The purpose of the society is to keep in touch with all men having had technical engineering experience in military service. It will embrace all those who have been connected with technical branches of the army, tank, chemical and army service corps. No distinctions of rank will be made.

Temporary officers elected last night were: Col. A. J. Schultz, president; Bertram D. Dean, vice president; J. M. Clapp, secretary-treasurer. Meetings will be held regularly. Those interested are asked to get in touch with Mr. Clapp, in the Burke building.

FUNERAL SERVICES for John L. Palmer, resident of Washington for 30 years who died at his home, 7328 14th ave. N. W., Sunday, were held in Ballard Tuesday afternoon. The Ballard Elks' lodge was in charge. The body was cremated.

WOMAN DROPS THRU SKYLIGHT OF HOTEL; DIES

SPOKANE, Aug. 18.—Falling thru a skylight on the third floor of the Davenport hotel last night, Mrs. Ellen O'Donovan McNamara, of New York city, crashed to the floor of the lobby in full view of hundreds of guests.

She died an hour later without regaining consciousness.

Mrs. McNamara was the widow of a former prominent New York business man. She was touring the Northwest with a party of friends.

FOREST FIRES UNDER CONTROL

No Green Timber Burning, Says Warden

With the exception of a blaze near Van Sandt in Whatcom county, no forest fires in the state are burning in green timber, it was reported today by George C. Joy, chief fire warden for the Washington Forest Fire association. All fires in the state are now under control, he said.

Photographing a bullet in flight is the latest achievement of a fast camera.

ANTI-JAPANESE LEAGUE MEETS

Will Elect New Officers, Hear Reports

Members of the Anti-Japanese League of Washington will meet at 1213 Fourth ave. Wednesday night for their annual meeting. A new president, vice president and secretary-treasurer will be elected.

Edward Clifford, chairman of the league, is expected to resign to give full attention to the campaign of Governor Hart, of which he is manager.

Officers will report on the work of the league. Ballot blanks and letters of admittance have been sent to league members by Secretary Frank E. Kannair.

Americans Scared by Shorter Skirts

PARIS, Aug. 18.—The first "show" of autumn fashions has scared off American buyers on account of the shortness of women's skirts. The new style skirts put out by Parisian designers are the shortest since the days of Eve. One model was a skirt composed of front and rear panels reaching to the knees. The panels are sewed together only part of the way, so that the slightest puff of wind blows them apart.