

SHE'S STORM CENTER OF THE G. O. P.



Following speeches before Ohio ministers and congregations in which she assailed Al Smith, Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, assistant attorney general, conferred in Chicago with James W. Good, Hoover's western campaign manager, and Congressman Walter Newton, chairman of the republican speakers' bureau. The three are shown here after their conference. Mr. Good on the left, Mrs. Willebrandt in the center, and Congressman Newton on the right. Mrs. Willebrandt's speeches have brought sharp criticism from some G. O. P. leaders, including Maurice Maschke, Ohio national committee man.

HIGH SCHOOL TO STAGE HI-JINKS ON OCTOBER 12

Annual Program to Be
Given Next Friday for
Benefit of the
Athletic Fund.

The second annual hi-jinks staged by the student body of the Roseburg senior high school will be presented Friday, October 12, according to arrangements announced today. The plan of holding an annual entertainment for the purpose of raising funds to carry on athletic activities with the full attendance of the students, was started last year.

Prior to last year the students were required to purchase tickets for all football games. As many of the students were not able to afford tickets they could not attend the games and consequently the team lacked the support from the sidelines so essential in athletic endeavors. The cost of maintaining a football schedule is high, and some means must be provided to raise a portion of the money outside the student body.

In many cities, where football is given better support by the fans than in the case in Roseburg, the fans are solicited each year and the schools raise several thousand dollars by that means. In Medford the business men each

NOTICE

Senior High P. T. A. meeting has been postponed from Oct. 9th to Tuesday, Oct. 16th.

year pay one-half the coach's salary and subscribe additional funds to add the school in its athletic program. As a result of this cooperation Medford has maintained the high school championship of the state for several years, and has also made a fine showing in basketball as well as baseball.

Medford merchants find that the publicity and advertising received by that city as a result of the team's ability has more than justified the expense.

Roseburg fans, however, have not yet caught this spirit of co-operation in high school athletics, so that some other plan had to be developed. Last year the plan of holding an annual entertainment for the benefit of the football fund was proposed. This entertainment is made up by assembling some of the best talent to be found in the city, coupled with stunts and skits provided by the students and faculty.

Last year's program was one of the best entertainments ever held in Roseburg and was attended by a record crowd. The service clubs were each represented, the faculty put on a skit and the students gave a burlesque act, while individual entertainers also participated. As a result of the performance the students raised \$280.

This amount enabled the school to admit all students free to the football games, and this served to encourage the team.

On October 12 of this year another of these entertainments will be given. Music is to be furnished by the girls' glee club, the girls' quartette and the high school orchestra. A musical skit will also be presented by Louis Langenberg.

Stets will be furnished by Leroy Hatt of the faculty, the high school boys and faculty members. Victor Arundel will present a chalk talk.

There will be readings by Rev. W. R. Baird and Dorothy Arundel, a stunt by Charles McElmurry, a demonstration by the class in physical education. Altogether the program will last from 21 to 23 hours.

It is hoped that all persons interested in the welfare of school athletics will make arrangements to attend this program. The school is offering an entertainment that will be well worth the small price of admission that will be charged, so that the money paid will not be in the nature of a donation, but will be in return for a most worthwhile evening.

Students who buy hi-jinks tickets will also receive the privilege of attend all football games free during the season, if the receipts are sufficient to meet the needs for the year.

GOV. PATTERSON ATTENDS FIRE CHIEFS' MEETING

(Associated Press Local Wire)

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 5.—Three governors, Governor C. C. Young of California, Governor L. L. Patterson of Oregon and Governor Fred B. Balzer of Nevada, were guests last night at the annual banquet of the Pacific coast Fire Chiefs' association, a feature of the convention now in session here.

Vancouver, B. C., and Pasadena, Cal., are making campaigns to win the 1929 convention. The Canadian city was believed by many today to have garnered the greatest number of votes. The next convention city is to be selected Saturday.

MODERN BLUEBEARD--OR VICTIM OF A GHASTLY MURDER HOAX?

That L. A. Police Can't Decide About Northcott, Alleged Butcher of Boys

By DAN THOMAS

NEA Service Writer

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Oct. 5.—Modern Bluebeard, or victim of an appalling frame-up?

That question, revolving about the person of Gordon Northcott, 21, now in a jail cell at Van Nuys, B. C., is puzzling Los Angeles as nothing has in years.

Los Angeles cannot quite make up its mind whether to get around over a murder tale of unbelievable atrocity, or to dismiss the whole thing as a ghastly hoax. Indeed, the police themselves are a bit puzzled. They think they are on the trail of something; yet they are not now ready to go into court and try Northcott on a murder charge.

Northcott, meanwhile, protests violently that he is innocent.

Boy Is Accused

The case against him, to date, rests almost solely on the amazing story told officials by 15-year-old Sanford Clark, Northcott's nephew.

Young Clark had lived at the Northcott chicken farm near Corona, Calif. He came, not long

VICTIM OF GOSSIP, SAYS NORTHCOTT

Gordon Northcott, now held in jail at Van Nuys, B. C., accused of a series of shocking murders on his farm near Los Angeles, insists he is the innocent victim of a grisly bit of gossip-mongering.

"The whole case," he says, "is simply that of a dissatisfied husband seeking divorce grounds, a movie-publicity mad girl from whose mind all of these ideas came, and a lazy, stupid boy half cracked from reading too many detective stories and seeing too many wild west movies."

He refers to his father, Cyrus Northcott, his sister, Jessie, and 15-year-old Sanford Clark, the leading witness against him.

ago, to the police with a grisly tale of wholesale murders at the farm.

Young boys had been lured to the farm and killed by Northcott, he said. He added that Northcott's mother, 60-year-old Mrs. Louise Northcott, aided in the

**CORVALLIS FIREMEN ARE
VICTORS IN DRILL**

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 4.—The drill team of the Corvallis fire department was the winner of the silver cup trophy in a competitive contest at the Pacific Fire Chiefs' convention at Sacramento today, according to a telegram received from Claire A. Lee, state fire marshal.

Dancing Feet Stilled



No more twinkling toes for Pauline Curry, once a featured Fanchon & Marco dancer. An automobile crash-up, and Pauline is in court fighting for \$25,000 damages. She claims she'll never be able to dance again. The suit is against C. F. Danner and George Evans.

DID HE KILL THEM?



GORDON NORTHCOTT

murders. Four of these murders, he said, he himself saw.

Walter Collins, aged 9, was named by Clark as the first victim. Following him, he said, were the murders of Nelson and Louis Winslow and an unidentified Mexican or Filipino. Northcott killed

the boys with an axe, his mother assisting, and then dismembered their bodies and buried them in quicklime on the farm, Clark said.

Police Lack Evidence

To date the police have not been able to confirm or disprove his story.

On the other hand, however, is the thought that Clark himself may be a madman. Northcott, under arrest at Van Nuys, insists he is innocent.

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Once it was reported that the Collins boy had been found alive and unharmed at DeKalb, Ill.; but investigation proved that this was another lad. Collins, and the other two boys named by Clark, are indisputably missing.

Cyrus Northcott, father of the alleged murderer, seems to believe that the Clark boy's story is true. He has said that he "knew of the killing," but never saw them; and once he told the police that his wife would go to any extreme, not excepting murder, to please her son. His daughter, Jessie, aged 19, also seems to credit the tale; but she cannot give any definite evidence.

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PARISIAN TURBAN



A Paris favorite is this Marcelle Lacy turban, which is ideal for a little run-around hat for autumn.

There's a reason for its popularity, several reasons, in fact. It is small and yet it features the long right-side line. It has the glossy richness that women adore this autumn; it employs flat taping satin ribbon for its trimming and it indicates that the back-white combination is just as chic as ever. Black and white satin ribbon is posed on this turban with such skill that it seems a most casual little hat. The white appears under the black, under the black, and covers the black in the rear.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF COAST LEAGUE IS STILL IN DOUBT

Sacramento and Frisco in
Tie for First Place;
Portland Ends at
6th in List.

(Associated Press Local Wire)

The whitewind finish and schedule of hits that closed the schedule of the league yesterday did nothing about untangling the deadlocked Seals and Senators at the top of the pile. Starting Saturday at Sacramento the two teams battle for the second half championship. The second game will be at San Francisco Sunday and if a third is necessary it will be at Sacramento Monday.

Should the Senators win the second half the teams will battle a seven game series for the 1928 championship. The two leaders showed themselves of championship caliber yesterday. The Seals downed Los Angeles in a barrage of 21 hits, 10 to 2, while Sacramento took the count of Seattle 16 to 2, shelling three Indian pitchers for 29 safeties.

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In the San-Angel game Speed Jolley led the big stick work with a homer, triple, double and a single in five trips. "Hatch" Reuther got his 29th victory of the season. Batteries: Reuther, May and Harriet; Harford, Peters and Hannan.

The Senators came behind in the fourth to score four, to take the lead from Seattle and then added nine tallies in the seventh. Batteries: Colbach, Gould and Kuehler; Colbach, Gould, Trachout and Cox.

Among the also-rans, Portland downed Oakland 5 to 3 after seeing up the game with a trio of runs in the fifth. Batteries: Knight and Redman; Dastis, Dumovich and Volkman.

The Hollywood Stars won from the Missions 7 to 6 in ten innings. Traffing to the ninth, Elmer Smith got a homer with two on to tie the score for the Stars. Batteries: Wenzel, Murphy, Schlenker and Agnew; Nevers and Snyder.

Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sacramento	32	27	.542
San Francisco	42	27	.607
Hollywood	29	46	.386
Oakland	51	48	.515
Mission	30	49	.385
Portland	42	57	.424
Los Angeles	39	60	.394
Seattle	21	63	.250

FOOTBALL CLIMBS 7TH LIFE OF THE SEASON

(Associated Press Local Wire)

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—With the death of William Charles Young, national guard player at Muncie, Ind., yesterday, football's death toll for the season has mounted to seven. Young suffered a broken back in a scuffle

per. Manitoba was taken from the train.

The crowd was so great that there was delay in taking Carney off the train. Finally he alighted under an escort of police and county authorities and was placed in an automobile. It was necessary for the police to clear away through the throng before the machine could proceed to the county jail.

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