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## MOTHER PLEASED AT SON'S DEATH

(Scripps News Association)  
Los Angeles, Cal. April 11—Mrs. B. Raymond who yesterday killed her son and attempted suicide by gas, was removed to the county hospital this morning. A complaint of insanity was sworn by the woman's husband, Frank K. Raymond, department of interior at Washington. When told of her son's death she said, "I'm so glad; why didn't you tell me before?" A complaint of insanity was filed two years ago but the suit was not sustained. She has suffered from acute melancholia for several years.

## APPRECIATE PRESIDENT'S ASSISTANCE

(Scripps News Association)  
Kansas City, April 11—The Southwestern Coal Operations Association at a meeting this morning decided that President Roosevelt's help would result in effecting a settlement of the difficulties between the miners and operators, and would result in the return of the men now out in the southwest.  
John Biever returned to his home at Arlington this morning after a short visit in La Grande.

## THOUSANDS OF LIVES LOST AND CITIES OBLITERATED BY FIRE, ASHES AND LAVA EJECTED BY VESUVIUS

Families Kneeling at Humble Shrines are Stricken. Loss to Property Already Beyond Estimation. Naples and its Inhabitants Threatened With Destruction. Transportation Inadequate to Remove Tourists from Naples.

(Scripps News Association)  
Naples, April 11—The eruption of Vesuvius today appears to be increasing in violence. The inhabitants have completely abandoned Ottajano, and at Teoro Annunziata affairs are returning to normal conditions, but ejections are expected to drive the populace away. Naples is the Mecca and a haven for tourists. It is estimated that two thousand lives are lost as a result of the eruptions. Property loss is almost beyond estimation. A manufacturing town called Sarnor, is overwhelmed with the ejected lava; San Gennaro, a hamlet is completely wrecked; while at Somma the cinders and ashes are six feet deep in the street. In San Giuseppe the debris and ashes have reached the third story windows. The relief soldiers bring stories

from the scene that are fraught to the extreme with terrifying pictures of devastation and loss of life. At Ottajano five hundred people are killed. All hopes for the people who insisted on remaining near Vesuvius are abandoned. Refugees tell of scores of people who are buried alive being only slightly injured, and are thus doomed to die by suffocation. In many places entire families have been found dead in a kneeling position, all circled about a humble shrine engaged in prayer, and in this position they were stricken by the deadly gases. The terrible splendor of the eruption by night is more than human tongue can describe.

The railroad engineers today refused to take out the train because of the dark-

ness, and the traffic is suspended. Many new craters are forming every hour. Instruments are recording this as the most violent subterranean agitation in the history of the world mountain. Intrepid, a scientist, who has his post on the side of a mountain says that the eruption is not yet to come. Lava is again moving down all sides of the mountain. The inhabitants of this city are positively mad with fear as it is believed the city is in great danger. Business is at a standstill and the poorer classes are fighting for places in which they can prostrate themselves in the churches and at the altars. The number of vessels in the harbor is wholly inadequate to take away the people who are wanting to leave. Hundreds of tourists are marooned and unable to get away from the city where destruction is threat-

ened. Every householder has been ordered to clear away the ashes from the roof to prevent the collapse of the buildings. On the streets, passage is prevented because of piles of ashes. Advice here this afternoon say that fifty houses and three churches in Somma collapsed. Refugees say that houses are continuing to collapse in Ottajano and the city hall is threatened. In all the towns in that neighborhood buildings are either tottering or have already fallen in. Refugees that reach here are covered with dust and ashes and have been through heavy rain storms. Showers of stones as large as eggs are falling near and around Vesuvius.

London, April 11.—The steamship companies are overworked with bookings Continued on Page 5.

## DOWIE'S SON MAKES CHARGES

(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago, Ill. April 11—Dowie was in a conference with his attorneys this morning. The Prophet will remain in Chicago today and declares he is a man of peace. At Zion city this morning, O'adstone made positive charges of violation of the marriage vows against his father and said: "This may be used as evidence in the divorce trial." He also declares that Ruth Hofer, the beautiful girl Dowie brought home with him some time ago, is not implicated in this trial.

Dowie is preparing to go to Zion late this afternoon. Major Morris of the guards announced to Dowie that men are ready to desert Voliva.

After the conference with Voliva, Wetten, Dowie's attorney announced that the various questions at issue had been discussed.

Dowie's attorneys arrived in Zion to confer with Voliva this afternoon. Voliva declared that diplomatic relations were ended and the war was now on, but admitted that he would probably meet Wetten today.

## FATAL WRECK ON THE O. R. & N. NEAR DURKEE TODAY

**THREE TIMES AND OUT**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Ogden, Utah, April 11—John Crosby, formerly a prominent labor leader, aged thirty-six years, and tangle, hanged himself last night and his body was found this morning. This is the third attempt he has made at his own life in the last month. The motive is laid to melancholy.

women, was dashed on the rocks in a cave near Lajolla at eleven this morning. An Italian named Tony who was in charge of the boat was thrown against the rocks and killed. One woman had her jaw broken and another an arm. All were rescued from drowning.

**BOATING PARTY WRECKED**  
(Scripps News Association)  
San Diego, Cal. April 11—A glass bottomed boat containing a party of ten

**GRAIN MARKETS**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago, April 10—Wheat opened at 78½, closed at 78; corn opened at 45½, closed at 46½; oats opened at 31½, closed 32.

As a result of a collision this morning between the extra east bound freight and a work train, John P. Lilly is dead and five others are more or less seriously injured. The wreck took place this morning at eleven forty, about four miles east of Durkee. As near as can be learned this afternoon, the facts are about as follows: By some conflict or mis-interpretation of orders the extra freight train thought it had the right of way to Huntington, and the work train conductor did not understand his orders to that effect, and therefore did not get in the clear. The work train was backing into Durkee for dinner when the freight train crashed into it. The force of the impact was sufficient to completely demolish the last five cars of the work train, and make an almost total wreck of the freight engine. The freight train was in charge of Conductor Eberole with engine No. 363, and Engineer Heath. The engineer on engine No. 65 was Ray Carpenter.

The injured men were in the caboose of the work train. The names of the injured are not obtainable at this time. Lilly has a brother living in this city. Complete details of the wreck are not obtainable. The wrecking train has been sent from this place and Chief Train Dispatcher Buckley is with it supervising the work of rescue and clearing up the track. All the men injured were laborers. None of the train crew or engine men were injured.

**HIGH OFFICIALS TALK**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Philadelphia, Pa., April 11—The Interstate Commerce Commission in the oil and coal hearing was continued today. About all the business that was transacted was the discussion of the railroad private car system in use, by high officials of roads.

Edgar Marvin, a former Union county boy, is a candidate before the Democratic primaries in Wallawa county for sheriff.

**PAY UP NOTICE**  
All persons knowing themselves indebted to me on over due accounts are hereby notified to call and settle on or after April 10, as all accounts due and not settled by that time will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.  
FRED JACOBS

**RUMMAGE SALE**  
The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold their regular spring rummage sale on April 27th and 28th.

## GRAND MILLINERY OPENING and SPECIAL EASTER SALE

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

On these three days, which also throws open to the public our new annex, the most commodious Ladies Ready-to-Wear Garments and Millinery Department in Eastern Oregon, we will show a full line of THE LATEST EASTER NOVELTIES in LADIES READY-TO-WEAR-HATS bought for our Easter Opening and comprising all the later creations in TRIMMED SAILORS and Pattern Hats, also a full line of Street hats in prices and styles to suit every purse and taste. Come everybody and bring your friends.

Music and Cut Flowers on Saturday

**50 LADIES' DRESS SKIRTS**  
No two skirts alike, bought for this opening sale and worth from \$12.50 to \$22.00  
**\$8.00 to \$12.50**

Ladies here is a skirt bargain which will interest you. They come from one of the best manufacturers and as stated no two skirts alike,

**250 Men's Gold and Silver \$1.25 and \$1.50 Shirts, special \$1.00 for three days only.**

We fully believe this is the largest shipment of shirts ever received in La Grande and unquestionably the largest assortment of colors and patterns, 250 shirts, 250 different patterns. Remember choice for Thursday, Friday and Saturday  
**\$1.00**

**SPECIAL EASTER NECKWEAR 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.**

## DOCK DEWEY ADRIFT

Washington, D. C. April 11—A report to the navy department says that the dock Dewey, is adrift and has been floating for twenty-four hours between Malta and Messina.

**REGISTRATION CLOSED**  
Last evening at 5 o'clock the registration books were closed and by the time we go to press tomorrow County Clerk Gilham hopes to have the work up so the exact number will be known. The last few days the notaries from all parts of the county sent in their blanks and the registration clerks are temporarily snowed under.

**REDUCED TO HALF TIME**  
(Scripps News Association)  
New Orleans, April 11.—All the workmen in all the departments of the Erie railroad shops were placed on half time today by order issued by the officials at noon.

## WHAT'S BETTER THAN BOOKS



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