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INQUEST FINDS TRAPP IS GUILTY

NO DEFINITE FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS MADE YET.

Fatal Shooting Affair Takes Place at
Huntington Last Evening—Murder-
er Now at Baker City Awaiting Trial
—Victim a Member of La Grande
Lodge of Eagles—Murder Was Con-
summated Without a Moment's No-
tice to Victim.

Local members of the Eagle lodge
cannot state positively today the fun-
eral arrangements over the body of the
late J. C. Jaspersen, a member of the
La Grande lodge, who was shot and
instantly killed last evening at Hunt-
ington by R. L. Trapp. Following the
shooting and attempted escape,
Trapp was brought to Baker City,
where he is now in the county jail
awaiting trial, which will not be given
until the grand jury meets to drag an
indictment.

Inquest Held Last Night.
A coroner's inquest was held over
the remains at Huntington last eve-
ning and the verdict was promptly
reached to the effect that Jaspersen
met his death at the hands of Trapp.
It is presumed here today that Jas-
persen will be buried at Huntington,
though the time has not been set.

Both men who figured in the es-
capade were bartenders. Trapp had
been discharged by a saloon keeper,
and after a short time, drifted into the
saloon where Jaspersen was at work.
After a good-natured scuffle with sev-
eral men, Trapp attempted to engage
in a similar affair with Jaspersen.
Unsuccessful, he went out, only to re-
turn soon after and without provoca-
tion and but a moment's warning, shot
Jaspersen dead, the bullet entering the
forehead. The murderer tried to
escape but was soon caught.
The victim was a member of the lo-

cal lodge of Eagles and the order here
has been making arrangements for the
interment, though nothing definite has
yet been decided upon.

LIPTON ENTERTAINS YANKEES.

Likes Their Spirit and Scoffs at Brit-
ish Lack of True Gameness.

London, July 28.—The American
athletes who participated in the Olympic
games, were guests of Sir Thomas
Lipton today aboard his yacht Erin.
The Americans arrived at Southampton
at noon. Lipton presided at the luncheon
in their honor. Later, on the yacht,
Lipton praised the sports-
manlike conduct of the Americans,
and decided the Britishers, charging
that they were not game losers. The
Erin took the visitors on a cruise
around the Isle of Wight. At the
conclusion the Americans gave three
cheers and a tiger for the Irish
yachtman.

A SPECIAL SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

To receive and act on the final re-
port of the special charter committee
of the city council which was appointed
to revise the present charter to al-
low issuance of water bonds, and to
make preparation for the special elec-
tion, is the purpose of a special meet-
ing of the city council called for to-
morrow night by Mayor M. K. Hall.
These two departments will no doubt
occupy the entire evening and when
the body has finished, the date of elec-
tion will be set, and the exact wording
of the charter known.

The Weather.
Fair tonight and fair and warmer
Wednesday.

Ladies of La Grande.
I am introducing in your lively city
the famous Hollein Shoulder brace and
combination clothes supporter. It
gives a lithe and graceful figure, de-
velopes deep breathing, prevents the
smothering of the lungs in growing
boys and girls. Agent will call.
7-28-30 MRS. E. L. TRIGG.

TAFT NOTIFIED AMID ROAR OF CANNON AND HIGH ENTHUSIASM

His Acceptance Speech, Key Note of the Republican Campaign is
Heard by Thousands

POINTS OUT WEAK SPOTS IN DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

Cincinnati, O., July 28.—William H.
Taft was notified today of his nomi-
nation as republican candidate for
president, by Senator William War-
ner of Missouri, on the lawn of the
residence of Charles P. Taft, a brother
of the candidate, this afternoon.

The formal notification and accept-
ance formed the climax of the great-
est day of celebration Cincinnati ever
saw.
Since early this morning daylight
fireworks of all kinds have been ex-
ploded and the city is simply covered
with bunting and decorations of all
kinds. It is a celebration without re-
gard for party as far as a big major-
ity of the residents are concerned. A
cannon booming on the hill tops about
the city marked the opening of the
program at 7 o'clock. At 9:30 the
crowds made their way to the Taft
residence, where singing and prayer
service was held, and the flag cere-
monies carried out. The flag, which
is made of material sent by republic-
ans of the Philippines, was run up
amid thunderous applause, as Taft
stood, with head uncovered, saluting
the Stars and Stripes. At 10:30 the
notification committee, headed by
Senator Warner, left the hotel and
were escorted through miles of decor-
ated streets to the residence, where
the senator began to make his speech.
His address was brief, and then Taft,
in accepting, began his speech which
is the keynote of the campaign.

Warner's Speech.
Senator Warner said but little.

However, many salient points were
cramped into that short address. He
dove immediately into a hasty review
of the administration of Roosevelt. In
conclusion he said:

"I cannot, sir, complete the dis-
charge of this most agreeable duty
without assuring you of the high re-
spect in which you are held not only
by those of your own political faith,
but by your fellow citizens without re-
gard to party, of their admiration of
your ability, manifested throughout
your public service; of their knowl-
edge of the preparation which you
will bring to the discharge of the
high and difficult duties of president;
of their belief in your deep convic-
tion of the equality of all men before
the law; and in the practical applica-
tion of that principle by any adminis-
tration of which you may be the head,
the rule by which every official act
of Mr. Roosevelt, as president, has been
squared, which has won for him the
confidence and respect of his country-
men throughout the land, and which
has brought to him at all times their
unquestioned and earnest support. It
was his universal application of this
rule which caused his party in national
convention, to pay him the following
just and splendid tribute of approval:

"His administration is an epoch in
American history. In no other period
since the national sovereignty was
won under Washington or preserved
under Lincoln, has there been such
mighty progress in those ideals of gov-
ernment which make for justice,
equality and fair dealing among men.
The highest aspirations of the Ameri-
can people have found voice. Their
most exalted servant represents the
best aims and noblest purposes of
all his countrymen. American man-
hood has been lifted up to a nobler
sense of duty and obligation. Con-
science and courage in public station
and high standards of right and wrong
in private life have been the cardinal
principles of political life. Capital
and labor have been brought into
closer relations of confidence and in-
terdependence, and the abuse of
wealth and the tyranny of power, and
all evils and privileged favoritism have
been put to scorn by the simple and
manly virtues of justice and fair play."
"It is gratifying to your country-
men to reflect that of that adminis-
tration you have been a conspicuous
part, as you were of the administra-
tion of Mr. McKinley, whose accom-
plishments mark a national progress
unsurpassed in all of our previous
national life.

"It, therefore, gives me genuine
pleasure, Mr. Taft, to present to you
this formal nomination from the re-
publican party, whose governmental
policies have for so long kept in bal-
ance the mighty forces of the nation
and to whose continued guidance of
the nation we have every reasonable
right to believe that the people are
now looking."

Accepts With Gratitude.
In his acceptance, Taft said in part:
Senator Warner and Gentlemen of
the Committee:
I am deeply sensible of the honor
which the republican national conven-
tion conferred upon me in the nomi-
nation which your formally tender.

I accept it with the full appre-
ciation of the responsibility it imposes.
Gentlemen, the strength of the repub-
lican cause in the campaign at hand
is in the fact that we represent policies
essential to the reform of known
abuses, to the continuance of liberty
and to prosperity and that we are
determined to maintain them and carry
them on. For more than 10 years
this country has passed through an
epoch of material development far
beyond any that has ever occurred in
the world before. In its course cer-

tain evils have crept in. Some promi-
nent influential members of the com-
munity, spurred by financial success
and in a hurry for greater wealth, be-
came unmindful of the common rule
of business honesty and fidelity and
the limitations imposed by law upon
their actions. This became known.
Revelations of breaches of trust, dis-
closures as to rebates and discrimina-
tions by railways, accumulating evi-
dence, the violation of the anti-trust
law by a number of corporations, the
over issue of stocks and bonds on in-
terstate railways for unlawful enrich-
ing of directors and for the purpose
of concentrating the control of rail-
roads in one management, all quick-
ened the conscience of the people and
brought on a moral awakening among
them that boded well for the future
of the country.

The chief difference between a re-
publican and democratic platform is
the difference which heretofore has
been seen between Roosevelt and Bry-
an. Roosevelt's policies progressive
and regulative, and Bryan's policies
destructive. The combination of cap-
ital in large plants to manufacture
goods with the greatest economy is
just as necessary as the assembling of
parts of a machine to bring about
economical and more rapid manufac-
ture of what in old times was made
by hand. In the proper operation of
competition the public will soon share
with the manufacturer the advantage

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COMMISSION TO PROBE RATES

LIKELY TO DO IT ON
OWN VOLITION ENTIRELY.

To Better and More Promptly Render
a Decision When a Complaint is
Filed Against the New Rate, the
Commission Will Probe Justification
Early—Could Then Answer Without
Starting Later Investigation, Necessi-
tating Delay.

Washington, July 28.—Announce-
ment has just been made by the inter-
state commerce commission, that it
may at once start an investigation of
its own volition for the purpose of
learning whether the advance in
freight rates is justified.

The statement issued by the com-
mission says:

The commission has no authority to
suspend the proposed advance in
rates. It can order a reduction only
after investigation and hearing. At-
ter such rates have become effective,
it is understood that if tariffs filed
with the commission show increases,
the commission, without waiting for
filing of formal complaints, will in-
stitute the investigations.

This would enable it to handle
promptly any complaint filed against
the advanced rates."

SULTAN NOW A COMMON RULER

MONOGAMY RULES AMONG
PRINCESSES OF ROYALTY.

Sultan Hamid II and His Family En-
ter Upon a New Life—No Longer a
Self-Imposed Prisoner, But Walks
the Streets Like Other Men—Con-
stitutional Monarchy Established,
and Imperial Family Adopts Itself
Accordingly—Happiness Reigns.

Constantinople, July 28.—As a cli-
max to the most remarkable series of
revolutionary changes in the history
of Turkey, which have taken place in
the past two weeks, Sultan Abdul
Hamid II, issued an imperial ukase
today changing the entire social exist-
ence of the imperial family in con-
formity with reforms recently granted
his subjects.

A Constitutional Monarchy.

Henceforth Hamid is no longer a
despotic ruler of absolutism, but a
constitutional monarch by his own
declaration. He will live the life of
a democratic monarch, depending on
the good will of the people for power.

A Prisoner No Longer.

The trade declared officially that
Abdul, who has been a self-imposed
prisoner in the imperial palace for 31
years, will appear on the streets like
any other citizen. It also declared
that the princesses of the imperial
family must henceforth observe mon-
ogamy.

The sultan is now said to be the
happiest man in Turkey. He is also
the most popular man in Turkey to-
day.

A RATE TO THE COAST.

La Grande May Get Special Rate to
the Seaside.

Agent J. H. Keeney has received a
letter from the chief of the O. R. & N.
passenger department, stating that if
a sufficient number of La Grande peo-
ple expressed a desire to spend a time
at Long Beach, a rate of \$9.50 for the
round trip would be made. The ticket
will be good for two weeks with stop-
overs allowed returning. Should our
readers desire to take advantage of
this offer they should notify Mr. Kee-
ney at the ticket office, or at the
freight depot.

Died as Scheduled.

New York, July 28.—Carrying out
a repeated prediction that he would
die in July, Walter Farmer, post quar-
termaster sergeant at Ft. Slocum, shot
himself at his home today and died
instantly. He was serving a third en-
listment and had an excellent record.
He made a wager a short time ago
that he would die this month.

Ladies' Undermuslins Greatly Underpriced for This Week.

Hundreds of Garments of the "Royal Make"—Undermuslins splendidly made, of the very
best of materials, perfect in fit and finish to the minutest detail—Dainty, desir-
able garments at a liberal saving this week.

85c Ladies Gowns 68c

Made in circular and V-shaped yoke,
trimmed in lace and embroidery in-
sertions and tucks; extra good values
at regular price. Special this
week 68c

\$2.50 Ladies Gown 1 98

Made from fine Nainsook, with square
and circular yokes and short sleeves,
trimmed with Swiss Embroidery and
Silk Ribbons. Special this week at,
each \$1.98

75c Corset Covers 58c

From fine quality Muslin, trimmed in
lace and embroidery insertion, and
interlaced with silk ribbons 58c

\$1 Ladies' Muslin Skirts 79c

Made from good quality Muslin, 10-
inch embroidery founce, with 8 rows
of tucking. Special this week. 79c

75c Ladies' Short Skirts 58c

With fine India Linon founces, with
clusters of tucks and hemstitched
hems. Special 58c

50c Ladies Muslin Dra's 39c

From good quality Muslin, with 8-inch
founces, tucked and hemstitched;
positively worth 50c; this week 39c

Misses' and Children's Undermuslins at Spe- cial Prices This Week

\$3.00 and \$3.50 Ladies' White Suits

In neat Tailored effects, made from
Indian Head Linens. Chose now at
only \$2.50

The Fair
DEPARTMENT STORE

Take a Little Soda For Your Stomach's Sake

This Advice Certainly Holds Good with Everyone
This Sort of Weather.

Soda served at our fountain is more than a
tasty thirst-quenching beverage. It is tonic and
refreshing and every glass a strengthener for
the stomach.

Our Soda is absolutely pure, strengthening,
reviving, refreshing and healthful. It "lands di-
rect" on the "dry" spot and quenches thirst as
nothing else will, because we serve it at just the
right temperature.

HILL'S DRUG STORE
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