

AX VICTIM OVER THE FIRST CRITICAL STAGE

PARENTS COME TO SEE DAUGHTER

CONDITION THIS AFTERNOON GENERALLY SATISFACTORY SAYS REPORT.

TRAMP SWEATED AND PARTLY CLEARS SELF

Mystery Not Given Up and 11 Principal Suspects Continue to Be Held by Officers—Parents Kept from Daughter Until She Can Stand Excitement of Greeting.

Over the most critical period yet still liable to have her life snuffed out by complications, Mrs. J. W. Moon, the axe victim of Saturday rests well this afternoon. Although the police is as hopeful as ever of running the criminal to bay, no further arrests have been made but on the other hand, none of those previously under arrest with any shade of suspicion against them, have to date been released. Evidence that warrants the holding of the tramp remains still to be sifted, and the same thing is true of the victim's father-in-law.

Last evening about 7 o'clock, Mrs. Moon decided she wanted to see her baby, which had slept through the villainous attack at the Moon home, and remained unfed but peaceable until found by Mrs. Underwood after the crime had been detected. Mrs. Mahoney, in whose care the babe is, was sent to the hospital with her charge at the late hour and the mother fairly popped up in bed wanting to embrace her offspring. After the call the patient assumed a painful period and although her pulse was not quite as pert apparently as she was last evening after having suffered a slight setback late in the afternoon. The first lap of the dangerous period is thought to be over. Physicians announced this morning that having withstood and fought off the dangers of complications such as meningitis for this length of time, her condition was naturally somewhat improved, but there is still grave danger of a sudden turning of the injuries for the worst. It is contended by the attending physicians that it may require days or even weeks for her to attain normal mental conditions. She seems to have no trouble whatever with current events, but is baffled and dazed somewhat as to past events.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris, parents of the maltreated woman, who live near Grand Island, Neb., arrived last night on the midnight train. They will not go to the hospital until late today, as Mrs. Moon was considerably disturbed this morning by extensive dressing of the wounds. Mrs. Moon was advised that they would be with her soon however, and she was allowed to rest upon that conviction. When, later in the day she had assumed a more normal state, the parents were lead to her at the hospital. Other relatives are expected to arrive soon.

Tramp Taken to "Jungle."
Hume, the tramp held because he was discovered Saturday roaming about coatless, was given a thorough sweating yesterday afternoon and later taken, in charge of Sheriff Hug and Chief of Police Orsi, to the "jungle" at Oro Dell where he claimed his coat had been burned. The police found many surroundings just as he had said, but failed to find conclusive proof of the coat's destruction at that point. Unsatisfied with the explanation and story told, the officers determined to hold him further, though they admit he partly established a fairly good alibi, lacking only in spots.

Bloody Suit Wanted.
That there is pressing need to find the suit which must undoubtedly have been bloodspattered by the chopping scene, and the subsequent dragging of the body to the bedroom, is the general admission, and to find the suit is a problem, but a much

RUMORED SEA FIGHT DENIED

London, May 11.—The admiralty categorically today denied the claims made by a statement from Berlin that the British warships Superb and Warrior have been sunk and the cruiser Lion badly damaged and other vessels injured in a battle off Bergen. The admiralty declared no such a fight has occurred.

needed link in the evidence. The police still find clues leading in a baffling circle with no tangible ends pointing anywhere. One moment the clues point in one direction and another moment elsewhere.

A detailed statement by Mrs. Moon will probably be the only source of definite information, and there is much doubt about even this source for it is generally true that persons struck upon the head as she has been, are muddled about events previous to the attack. It is hoped that with the presence of not only her husband but her parents, about her, she will rapidly improve and reach the point where she can tell a correlated and coherent story of what took place. This she has not done up to this time.

TRAINS CLOG AT HOOD RIVER

SHASTA LIMITED MEETS NEW OBSTRUCTION.

Big Grist Passengers Congregate on O.W. Due to Slide. Redding, Calif., May 11.—Cloud-bursts continue to tie up Southern Pacific traffic in Northern California. Repair work is at a standstill and trains are stalled. Thousands of dollars in damage have already been done to railroad property and nearby towns. A second cloudburst today centered at Keswick where five cloudbursts occurred yesterday and swept away 200 yards of track and undid the repair work accomplished by an army of laborers.

Repair work between Motion and Kennett was also destroyed. From Keswick to Iron Mountain, 10 miles of track have been destroyed.

Eight passenger trains other than the usual grist of trans-continental trains, will be handled over the O.W. prior to 6 o'clock tomorrow morning barring additional washouts.

Strange fate seems to trail the fast Shastas. A washout on the Southern Pacific Sunday night made it necessary for the Southern Pacific trains to detour over the O.W. and O. S. L. What was the result of this scheme but another washout? Workmen on the Columbia highway west of Hood River exploded too big a load of dynamite and moved a small mountain down on the tracks completely blocking traffic over that line. Number 18 last night's train had got by, but the first Shasta hadn't and was blocked. Since then, No. 4, the fast mail and No. 6, today's noon train, have been tied up there.

Due in a Bunch Tonight.
In the neighborhood of 8 o'clock tonight, there will be six trains from the west one after the other. O.W. engines and crews handle all the detoured trains. The Shasta from Portland will be first No. 6, the delayed No. 4 will be second No. 6, the delayed No. 6 will be the third section of No. 6 and two Southern Pacific trains will be fourth and fifth sections of No. 6. No. 18 is the sixth.

From the east, in addition to the regular trains, there will be five Southern Pacific trains received at Huntington and sent over the O.W. sometime during the first hours of tomorrow, reaching here about daylight tomorrow morning.

Deadhead passenger and engine crews were scattered to Huntington and Umatilla this morning and passenger trains that have idled away their usefulness in the roundhouse for months have suddenly been rushed into service to meet the sudden demand for power.

ALICEL NEWS ITEMS.

News Brevities from and About Alicel Section of Valley.

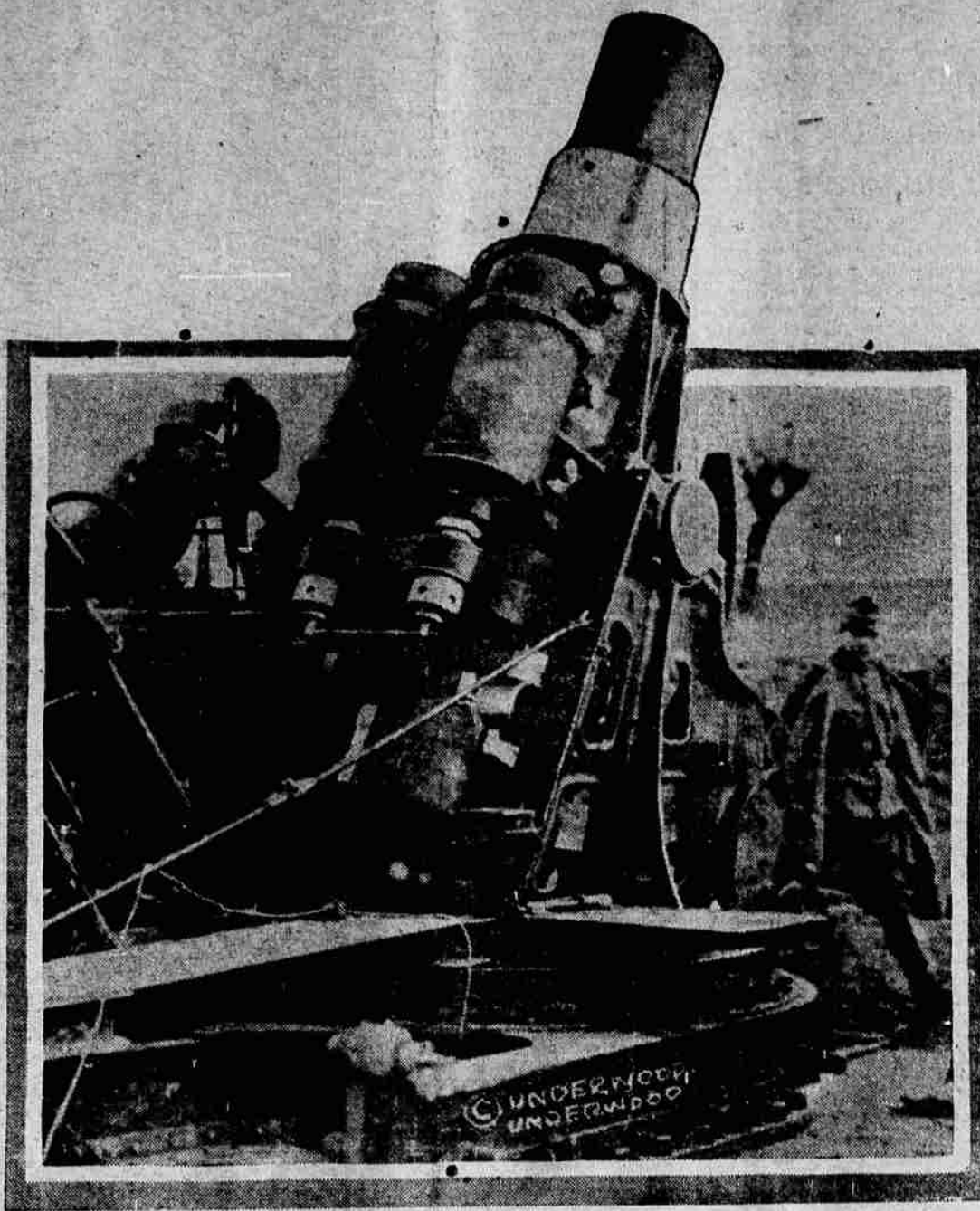
Alicel, May 11.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McKennon spent Friday night with their daughter Mrs. B. F. Webb. We understand that if you will look real close you will find that L. L. now rides in the latest style model Ford. He left the old for the new and still clinging to the Ford line.

The Epworth league of Alicel have elected officers for the next six months as follows: President Fay McKinnis; First vice, Mary Taylor; second vice, Herbert Speckhart; third vice, Harold Walsinger; fourth vice, Ruby Ledbetter; secretary, Louis Smith; treasurer, Bertha Speckhart; organist, Edith Welch. Special services will be held at the church next Sunday throughout the day. In the morning the Woman's Foreign Missionary society and in the evening a special stereopticon lecture will be given by the pastor on "The Hill Cities of North India."

Mr. and Mrs. Cash, of La Grande, visited with Floyd McKennons, on the Sabbath.

If you hear of a Stetson hat being torpedoed in the region of Imber by a German destroyer please report the same to Wendall Oliver for a hat of such description was lost at the ball game Saturday and it surely sailed off in the flood Sunday morning.

BIG SKODA GUN LIKE THAT USED IN BOMBARDMENT OF DUNKIRK.



This is the big Skoda gun Austria, the first big gun to be used in the war, and which it has been difficult to photograph because the government has not wished to permit the allies to learn anything about it. It is similar to the large German gun used recently in the bombardment of Dunkirk from a distance of twenty-one miles, the French official reports said. There has so far been no photograph of the great German forty-two centimetre gun. The Kaiser's soldiers have carefully guarded it from photographers.

FRENCH AND TEUTONS BUSY

EACH ATTACKS THE OTHER WITH AIRSHIPS.

Fighting Around Arras Continues to Be Struggle Center.

Paris, May 11.—In a daring raid over the German lines, French aviators set fire to a zeppelin hangar at Maubeuge by dropping bombs, the war office announces. It is believed a dirigible was destroyed by the raid. Heavy fighting continues north of Arras where the French are making steady progress. French now invest Carey on three sides, maintaining heavy bombardment, the statement declared.

Paris, May 11.—Two German aeroplanes dropped bombs on the barracks at St. Denis a northerly suburb of Paris. Five soldiers were wounded and considerable damage done. Three bombs were dropped by taubes. No serious military damage is reported.

ITALIAN WOMEN DEMAND THAT ITALY AVENGE THE GERMAN ATTACK ON THE LUSITANIA

Rome, May 11.—Demanding intervention by Italy in the European war to avenge the torpedoing of the Lusitania, members of the Italian Women's Pro-War league have appealed to the government for immediate action. They denounced the wrecking of the Lusitania as "A crime against humanity."

That Austria's reply to Italy's ultimatum has made such a liberal concession that a way is opened for further diplomatic negotiations, is believed certain despite the failure of the government to make any statement regarding the matter. Every evidence of great tension yesterday, which appeared to foreshadow Italy's early entrance in the war, are no less definite today.

Women's Golf Tournament Opens.
Montclair, N. J., May 11.—The first of the one tournament of the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association

THREE LEGS ALL CALF CAN BOAST

FREAK ALSO MINUS A TAIL OR SIGN OF ONE.

S. A. Robertson Ranch Holds Queer Freak in Calf Born Recently—Health Apparently Good.

Three legs and yet perfect health, apparently, and able to get about with considerable satisfaction to itself, it seems, is the case with a calf born on the S. A. Robertson ranch on R. F. D. No. 2. The two hind legs are perfect in shape, but there is only one front leg. To make the freak all the more strange and weird, there is no tail or any semblance or sign of a tail.

Vote on Bond Issue in Alameda, Cal.

Alameda, Cal., May 11.—Today Alameda votes on the proposition of issuing bonds for the improvement of the harbor and public schools. The election was postponed from April 14 until today because proper notice was not given of the balloting on the previous date and any election held under such conditions would be illegal.

WILSON TALKS OF POLICIES

PHILADELPHIA CROWD HEARS SPEECH.

Executive Points Out Explanations of Speech this Morning.

Washington, May 11.—President Wilson didn't mean to define his policy as to the administration dealings with Germany as result of the sinking of the Lusitania, in his Philadelphia speech last night. The president explained this to newspaper correspondents today. He said the address was merely his personal expression. For the present, and until all data is at hand, the President declared he would have nothing to add to his statement Saturday regarding the Lusitania, and that he realized the people expected him "to act with deliberation and firmness."

The Philadelphia Speech.

"America," said the president, at the Philadelphia speech, "must have the consciousness that on all sides it touches elbows and touches hearts with all nations of mankind. The example of America must be a special example, and must be an example not merely of peace, because it will not fight, but because peace is the sealing and levelling influence of the world, and strife is not. There is such a thing as man being too proud to fight. There is such a thing as being so right it does not need to convince others by force it is right."

These remarks precipitated a tumult of applause and patriotic enthusiasm, emphasized by the waving of small American flags. The president made no direct reference to the Lusitania. Introduced by Mayor Blankenburg, who spoke in distinctly German accent of welcome and appeal for simple allegiance to the United States, the president carried forward the idea of welding foreign blood in the makeup of America by pointing the true goal of right American citizenship to be loyalty, not to the country of one's birth but to the land of adoption.

"While you bring," he said, "all the countries with you, you come with the purpose of leaving all other countries behind, bringing what is best of their spirit but not looking over your shoulder or seeking to perpetuate what you leave in them. You can't be American if you think of yourself in groups. America does not consist of groups. The man who considers himself as belonging to a national group is not yet American."

The sentiment expressed in the president's speech was epitomized

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CORPSES SEEN FLOATING FAR FROM THE TRAP

MANY BODIES BEING BROUGHT IN TODAY BUT MAJORITY ARE LOST.

QUEENSTOWN REPORTS CUNARD LINE CARELESS

Lifebelts Improperly Adjusted in Many Instances Report Those Who See Lifeless Bodies Floating About—Tugs Have Been Sent Out but Twice by Cunard Line Is Report Current.

Queenstown, Ire., May 11.—Bodies of 15 additional Lusitania victims were brought ashore late today. They were recovered by the tug Poolzee which reported bodies of the perished are now floating 20 miles from the scene of the disaster. The tug was returning from Valparaiso when she picked up five men, nine women and one girl. She reports seeing others, already badly decomposed. Those recovered tonight bring the total recovered to 174.

Cunard Line Criticized.

While many bodies will yet be recovered, it is feared a majority will be lost forever. There are complaints that the Cunard company hasn't adopted a systematic method in endeavoring to recover the remains of the dead. Tugs were sent to the scene of the disaster by the company only twice. No efforts have been made it is said, to cruise well out from the coast where the vessels coming in report sighting many bodies wearing lifebelts. Many of the bodies found, especially of women, had their life belts improperly adjusted.

Queenstown, May 11.—A total of 159 bodies taken from the sea near where the Lusitania was torpedoed, and the bodies of six more men and four more women are en route here from Ireland. Tugs are still searching the vicinity but hope of more survivors being found is not reflected in official circles.

The latest figures estimate the dead at 1150, and the saved at 767 including 465 passengers.

LEAGUERS ELECT OFFICERS.

Methodist Young People's Organization Pick New Officers.

The annual election of officers for the Epworth league of the Methodist church was held last evening. Annual reports were read and the institution was shown to have been largely increased in membership and its field of activity largely extended during the past 12 months. The new officers are as follows:

President, Alfred N. Christensen; first vice, Tressie Castle; second vice, Louise Benham; third vice, Viola Benham; fourth vice, Will Geiger; secretary, Paul Beck; treasurer, Dorothy Haworth.

Student Illness Is Promptly Checked.

Madison, Wis., May 11.—The aims of those in charge of the medical supervision of the health of the students at the state university is to prevent the spread of disease, to apply appropriate measures so as to check it promptly when it appears and to give such advice as will enable the students to acquire healthy habits of life.

The results are shown in a study on the cases of "grip," the most common of the infectious diseases, which have occurred during the past four years. Owing largely to the fact that the students have learned to report promptly when ill, the number of complications, such as inflammation of the ears or eyes, occurring in those ill with grip had decreased from 50 per cent four years ago when the work was first started to 10 per cent last year, and the average time lost from work from 8 1-2 to 2 1-2 days. Since the number of cases of "grip" which arise among 5,000 students living in crowded rooming houses and meeting in crowded class rooms is very large during the course of the year, the aggregate amount of time thus saved is noteworthy.

VILLA WINS NEW VICTORY

Washington, May 11.—General Villa has telegraphed that he has destroyed General Obregon's left wing and has driven his army back to Iraguato. Villa reported that he expected a decisive engagement at that point, as Obregon is now entrenched there.