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Stock Show Races Go Off With Vim

MRS. KABER CONFESSES TO POLICE CHIEF

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MURDER OCCURED TWO
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Her Daughter in the Foul Deed—
Denies That She Intended for Her
Husband to be Killed.

HUDSON, N. Y., June 10.—Mrs. Eva Kaber, charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of her husband in Lakewood, Ohio, nearly two years ago, today confessed to "getting two men to beat up her husband in order to change his harsh treatment toward her," according to Chief of Police Christensen, of Lakewood. She denied that she intended that he be killed. Chief Christensen made a statement to the Associated Press representative while in the train carrying him, Mrs. Kaber and her daughter, Miss Marian McArdle, back to Cleveland. Christensen denied the report that the two men had been ordered to pose as guests to frighten the husband. He also stated that Mrs. Kaber had not implicated her daughter in the affair.

WILL START ON FOLEY BUILDING

Work on the new three-story and basement Foley building adjoining the present five-story structure, is expected to commence tomorrow. Building material is already on the ground.

The work has been delayed slightly because of the ordinance requiring the city commission to pass on building permits in the fire limits. The plans and specifications were submitted to the commission Wednesday night and referred to Commissioner David I. Stoddard who reported to Recorder J. E. Stearns this morning that the plans conform with the building ordinances.

The cost of the structure, according to the contract let several days ago, will be in the neighborhood of \$26,000.

FUNERAL WILL BE HELD SUNDAY

The funeral of the little twenty-two months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carpenter, Gertrude Marie, who died yesterday noon following severe burns from scalding water, in which she fell Wednesday noon, will be held at the Bohnenkamp Chapel Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

ROY HAYNES IS CHOSEN

IS APPOINTED NATIONAL PROHIBITION COMMISSIONER.

Was One of the First Ohio Editors to
Suggest Running Harding for
the Presidency.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Roy Haynes, of Hillsboro, Ohio, has been appointed national prohibition commissioner. Haynes is the editor of the Hillsboro Dispatch. He was one of the first of the Ohio editors to suggest the nomination of Harding for president.

STEAMER SINKS IN AEGEAN SEA

ATHENS, June 10.—Many lives are believed to have been lost in the sinking of the steamship Bouboulina, which struck a mine and foundered in the Aegean Sea.

Boy Awaits Second Trial



Disagreement of the jury means a second trial for 11-year-old Cecil Burkett of Knox, Ind., on the charge of murdering his playmate. But Cecil is just as composed and confident of his acquittal as he was before the first trial. Photo shows him in court while the prosecutor argued for his conviction.

Promotion Percentage In Schools Was Large

One of the largest percentages of promotions in the history of the La Grande public schools was made at the end of the past semester, according to A. C. Hampton, superintendent of schools. "Splendid progress was made in every respect," Mr. Hampton stated. "This is especially true in the eighth grade where an unusually good record was made in the state examinations."

During the summer months the school board will thoroughly clean and renovate every building, renovating every room, oiling the floors, disinfecting and putting all of the desks

into first class shape. One of the purposes of the thorough cleaning and renovation, Mr. Hampton declared, is to do everything that is humanly possible to keep down contagion.

The unusually large number of teachers taking advantage of the summer vacation to attend summer schools was also commented on by Mr. Hampton this morning while discussing school affairs, saying that the school board as well as the administrative officers of the schools are highly gratified that the teachers are taking such an interest in their profession.

MUST PAY FINE AND GO TO JAIL

A fine of \$250 and five days in jail is the sentence passed yesterday on Jack LaBine, proprietor of the Elite rooming house by Justice of the Peace Arthur C. Williams. LaBine was arrested Wednesday night by the local police department on a charge of maintaining a common nuisance.

To be more specific, the police alleged that they caught LaBine in the act of selling poor moonshine whiskey, composed of alcohol and various other ingredients. Four pints of the moonshine were used as evidence by the police. LaBine entered a plea of guilty to the charges.

JURY RENDERS FOR PLAINTIFF

A verdict for \$309.50 damages was brought in by a jury in circuit court this morning in the case of Hal Bohnenkamp, trustee for the bankrupt estate of W. H. Swetke, vs. Stella Birney.

The case involved possession of some furniture. This afternoon T. H. Crawford, one of the attorneys for the defendant, filed a motion to set aside the verdict on the grounds that the property was exempt, being household goods.

John S. Hodgins acted as attorney for plaintiff and Judge Crawford and R. J. Green for defendant.

L. D. S. CHURCH TO HOLD CONFERENCE

The quarterly conference of the L. D. S. church will be held in the Tabernacle here on Saturday and Sunday, June 13 and 14. The program will be announced during the coming week.

BOMBS ARE THROWN ON FRONT PORCHES OF PROHIBITIONISTS

NEW PHILADELPHIA, Ohio, June 10.—Bombs were thrown from automobiles early today onto the front porches of the homes of Russell Bowers, 37-year-old prosecutor of Tuscarawas county, and L. O. Haugh, safety director of Dover, both active in enforcing the prohibition laws. The bomb wrecked the Bower house, but no one was injured.

The bomb failed to explode on the Haugh porch.

Two suspects have been arrested.

WILL ATTEND RATE MEETING

BRUCE COX TO REPRESENT LA
GRANDE.

Meeting in Salt Lake Called to Make
Plans for Fighting Threatened
Discrimination.

Bruce Cox, representative of the Ad Club, will leave tomorrow on number 24 for Salt Lake City to attend a meeting to organize the northwest against the threatened return to the old system of discrimination against interior towns in freight rates. Mr. Cox will join three representatives of the Spokane chamber of commerce here who will be on the train.

C. B. Miller, secretary of the Ad Club, received a letter yesterday from J. A. Ford, managing secretary of the Spokane chamber of commerce, in which the co-operation of the Union County Ad Club is asked in the matter of organizing the intermountain country for the freight rate campaign.

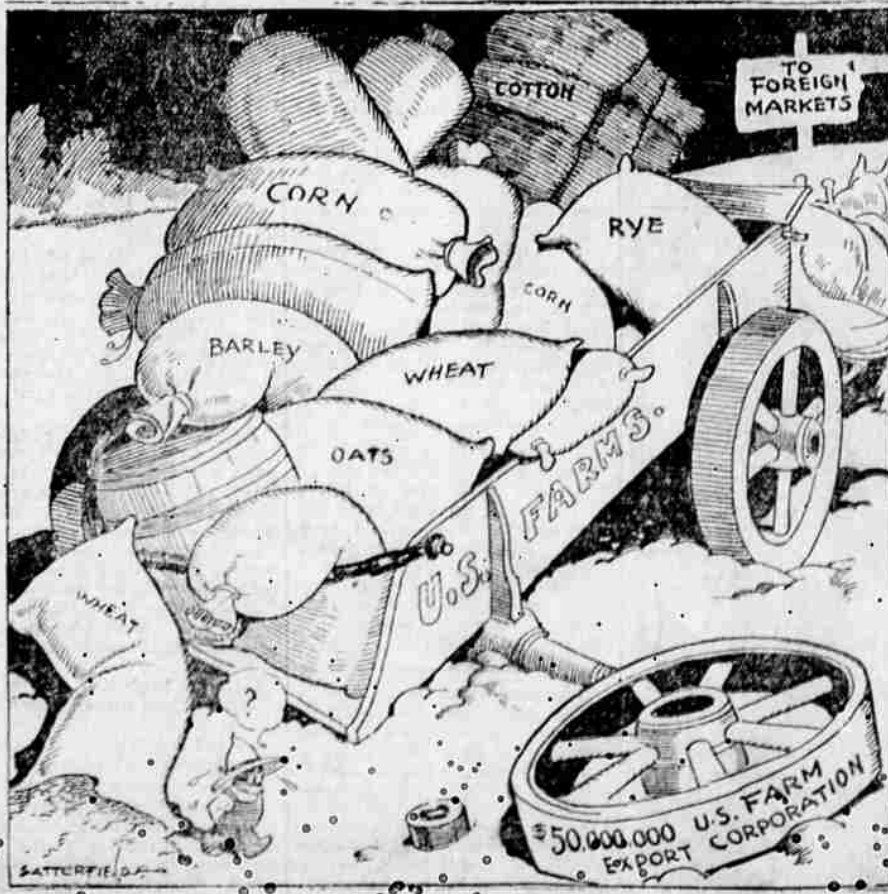
Mr. Ford characterizes this meeting as one of the most important meetings that has ever been held in the west. In suggesting what the local organization may do to help win the fight against a violation of the long and short haul system of freight rates which discriminate against interior towns in favor of coast towns, Mr. Ford pointed out that the club should file protests with the interstate commerce commission and the officials of the transcontinental railroads against the threatened application of the old system.

He also suggested that shippers file individual protests with the railroads against this threatened discrimination and that farmers interested in this fight, the farmers living in the interior and the buyers of farm machinery, take similar action. In this respect he urged that farmers' unions, granges and farm bureau take action on the matter.

WILL ENTER PLEA MONDAY.

J. Dunn, charged with larceny by bailor, was arraigned in circuit court and had his trial Monday at 10 a. m. for this 150-acre ranch was \$16,990.

PUT THE WHEEL ON!



REAR ADMIRAL SIMS EXPRESSES BELIEF SPEECH WAS GARBLED

JUDGE SUSPENDS JAIL SENTENCE

A sentence of 30 days in jail was imposed on William McCarthy, who makes his living working in lumber camps and on the highway, by Acting Municipal Judge H. E. Dixon this morning. McCarthy has been before the municipal court here several times and for this reason a jail sentence was given him. His offenses have always been being drunk.

In order to give McCarthy every possible chance to walk the straight and narrow path Judge Dixon, on recommendation of Chief of Police Roy Flexer, suspended sentence. If McCarthy gets into trouble again he will have to serve his present sentence and will probably be put to work on the chain gang and after the sentence now suspended is served he stands a good chance of getting the limit of the law on the next offense.

Carlson Sanders was fined \$25 on a charge of disorderly conduct by Judge Dixon. He paid his fine.

WOMAN IS HAPPY WHILE FACING TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—Mrs. Lydia Southard, alleged feminine Bluebeard, left San Francisco Wednesday for Twin Falls, Idaho, to face trial for poisoning her fourth husband.

She arrived Tuesday from Honolulu, attended the theatre that night, and laughed heartily during the show. Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Ormsby are accompanying the woman. She went shopping in Chinatown.

The sheriff's wife declares the woman is a model prisoner.

Many Have Signed for Y.M.C.A. Tennis Match

This morning seventeen men had signed up for the tennis tournament the Y. M. C. A. is planning. All of these men will be entered in the singles, while fourteen have also signed up for the doubles. The tournament, stated today that he expects to start next week.

J. L. Cramer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who is arranging the tournament, stated today that the expected some good matches to be played. Norman Frees and Charles Binkner are recognized as being the strongest players in the city and, although at first expected to play together in the doubles, Frees yesterday announced that they would be willing to each take some less experienced player. This will make it evenly matched when the teams in which these two players will meet.

The players signing up since the tournament was published in the Observer on Tuesday are as follows: Showalter Lynch, Ray Lynch, C. C. Snow, Don Nichols, William Casey, Wright Christian, B. B. Christian, Pete Stoddard, Frank Black, A. W. Nelson, and G. B. Hogan in the singles, and the following in the doubles: Lynch and Lynch, Casey and Nichols, Christian and Christian, Stoddard and Black.

BASEBALL GAME THIS EVENING AT BALL PARK

Promptly at 5 o'clock this evening, the game between the Chaffee Athletic team of Pocatello, Idaho, and the La Grande baseball team, will be called at the ball park.

EXTRA

TACOMA, June 10.—Edward Fillion, Camp Lewis soldier, was found guilty of murder in the first degree for the killing of Earl Timbs, taxicab driver, on May 8. The jury, composed of six men and six women, voted not to hang the defendant.

Makes Another.
NEW YORK, June 10.—Babe Ruth today made his seventeenth home run.

Believe Miners' Safe.
PERU, Ill., June 10.—Six hundred miners yapped in a coal mine at Mark, ten miles south of here, are believed to have escaped by the emergency shafts. The state rescue crew had sealed the burning tunnel.

MRS. BERGDOLL ESCAPES JAIL

PHILADELPHIA, June 10.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, escaped jail by paying a \$23,000 fine for conspiracy to aid her sons in the draft.

MANY PEOPLE OF LA GRANDE GIVE SUPPORT

THURSDAY IS ONE OF THE BEST
DAYS AT THE STOCK SHOW;
TODAY WELL ATTENDED

LIVE STOCK EXHIBITS ARE
MOST EXTRAORDINARY

Judge Carlisle, Who Came From
Stock Farm in Canada to Act as
Judge of the Show, Praises Union
for Work in Building Up the Annual Show.

UNION, Or., June 1.—(Special)—With another bright sunny day this and of the Grande Ronde valley seems more beautiful than ever before. People are thronging the streets and getting ready for the final day of the most successful Live Stock show in the history of the Eastern Oregon event.

Today is Baker Day and the Baker people are arriving by the hundreds. Automobiles began rolling into Union long before the noon hour. Apparently the record breaking crowd of yesterday will be almost if not quite equalled today.

With a program in the speed ring today that is up to the high standard of yesterday, Judge Oscar Correll, after looking over the entries for the races, stated that he believed the track would be of more interest this afternoon than any previous day. "I am certain that no show in the northwest has had cleaner and better races up to this date and I have every reason to believe this program will round out the whole season in a most worthy manner."

Yesterday La Grande day and if there was anyone left in the county seat no report has been made of the fact, for on every hand were La Grande people. Union business men last evening voiced most hearty appreciation of the magnificent attendance of the neighboring city. George Seibird, editor of the Union Republican, remarked: "Union knows full well that all her efforts to make this a great show would fall flat were it not for our neighbors who have the confidence in the show and feel a personal pride in its success."

The Best Racing.
All afternoon the races were pulled with lots of vim and every race was a good one. The gallopers were at their best and the harness horses were especially good, as were the relay races and the chariot races.

Two excellent bands furnished music all day, and there was not a dull moment in the whole program. No accidents of consequence marred the afternoon, and while there was some bad blood shown between riders nothing serious happened.

The Livestock Exhibits

It is worth traveling many miles to see the live stock exhibits. Starting the grand parade following the dinner hour, Judge Carlisle was called upon to determine the predominating merits of the six horse hitch. W. F. Ledbetter had six of his fine draft horses hitched to a heavy wagon and the team was well driven by Floyd McKennon. Albert Hunter also had a six-horse hitch of extraordinary draft horses. The grand stand took sides in the contest, many being for the Hunter team and quite as many for the Ledbetter exhibit. The judge, after long and careful deliberation decided that the Ledbetter team had a shade the best of it, and that Floyd McKennon was entitled to honors as the best driver of a six horse hitch.

Description is almost incapable of impressing one who was not present with the remarkable draft horses that paraded in front of the grand stand. And following the horse exhibit came the cattle, such cattle as would make the Iowa farmer leave

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