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MAN HELD FOR DEATH OF PRIEST

Body of Father Heslin Is Found Near San Francisco

FINDER CLAIMS REWARD—IS JAILED

Blood-Stained Burlap Is Found in Suspect's Room—Body Was Buried Near Salada Beach Under Cliff

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Aug. 11.—The body of Father Patrick E. Heslin, Columbian priest, who disappeared the night of August 2, when a stranger called and asked him to administer the sacrament to a dying relative, was found buried at the bottom of Sand Cliff at Salada Beach, 20 miles south of San Francisco, with a bullet hole through the heart and another through the ear.

William A. Hightower, discoverer of the grave, who notified the police, is held pending an investigation. Hightower claims that a clue was given him by Dolly Mason, who said she met an intoxicated foreigner who made the revelation in broken English to her and expressed hatred of the Catholic church.

Acting on this information Hightower claims he succeeded in locating the grave. He pondered over the discovery for three days and finally decided to tell Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, but encountered a newspaper reporter at the Bishop's residence who took him to the police station.

Archbishop Hanna had offered a reward of \$1,000 for the discovery of Father Heslin, dead or alive. He had received two letters demanding ransom, which he considered a hoax.

A search of Hightower's room revealed a rifle, pieces of blood-stained burlap and clippings from local papers showing the reward for the priest's return. Hightower is a baker. He came here from Lemay, Utah.

MANY FLOATS FOR LABOR PARADE

Business Houses and Industrial Plants Responding to Request to be Represented in Parade

To all appearances there will be many floats in the parade on Labor Day. This statement was given out today by members of the committee which has the parade in charge.

Already novel ideas are being thought out for float decorations and the ones who have plans completed have summoned Ruyman, the sign artist, to do the lettering.

Fraternities, brotherhoods and different societies are taking the matter of representation in the parade up before the proper officers indicating that this year's Labor Day celebration will contain many very fine and carefully planned features.

Hospital Plan Will Provide 6800 Beds For Soldiers' Use

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—A definite hospital program for war veterans involving the immediate expenditure of \$6,110,000 out of the \$18,000,000 available, was announced by Col. Charles R. Forbes, director of the new veterans' bureau. The new program, Col. Forbes said, has been approved by Secretary Mellon.

By January 1 hospital facilities of 6800 new beds are to be placed in use according to the plan.

The new program calls for expenditure of \$850,000 at Fort Bayard, N. Mex.; \$500,000 at Perryville, Md.; construction of tuberculosis hospitals at the soldiers' homes, Leavenworth, Milwaukee, and Dayton, Ohio; additional building at the Marion, Ind., sanitarium; remodeling of Fort Walla Walla, Washington, for 150 beds; \$600,000 at Whipple barracks, Prescott, Ariz., and at least nine additional projects to be determined later.

INVITATIONS ISSUED. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Formal invitations to the disarmament and far eastern conference at Washington on November 11 will be sent today to Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan and China.

Will Have Four City Golf Tournament Here

Initial steps toward staging a four-city golf tournament in La Grande were taken last evening at a regular weekly meeting of the La Grande Country Club directors. The action of the board will no doubt meet with popular approval of all members as it is destined to stimulate interest in golf. A couple score of local golfers will have opportunity to witness golfers from Walla Walla, Pendleton and Baker.

Numerous committees were appointed last evening to look after the many phases contingent upon a successful tournament, and as this is the maiden effort in golf circles so far as this city is concerned, an unusual amount of interest attaches. The exact date is to be left to a committee consisting of J. J. Carr, G. L. Larson and S. D. Orlove. That it is to be in September is the only limitation placed on the committee.

Other committees will attend to the reception of the visitors, and their entertainment while here. A dancing party in honor of the guests is one feature provided for already.

It is likely that the preliminary rounds will be played on Saturday and the finals on Sunday.

Many matters of importance to the welfare of the Country Club were gone over at last evening's meeting. Determination of what group of six will represent the La Grande Country Club in this tournament, is a matter that will soon compel attention. During the last two months numerous La Grangers have gotten into a class that must be considered and the committee will soon announce a means of picking the La Grande standard bearers.

The directors realize that the fairways are not as smooth as they will be some day, but they also feel that they could invite the three towns in without apology at this time, for golf courses are not prepared in a year or even two, and rather than wait until the links are in perfect condition, which necessarily will be two or three years from now, the outside towns will be introduced to La Grande's facilities the first season.

JUNE EARNINGS OF ROAD GAIN

Net Figures Show Increase of \$14,697,346 Over May But Still Below the Lawful Return

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Railroads of the country earned \$51,778,000 net in June, which was a gain of \$14,697,346 over the net earnings for May, according to reports filed with the interstate commerce commission by the carriers and made public Wednesday by the American Railway association.

The earnings for June, the association said, represented a 3.1 per cent annual return on railroad investments as compared with a 2.4 per cent return for May, based upon the tentative values of railroads fixed by the interstate commerce commission. Earnings for June, however, were \$17,295,000, or 47.7 per cent below the amount contemplated by the transportation act. The June earnings were the largest since November when they amounted to \$54,343,793.

72 Roads Show Deficit. Roads reporting deficits for the month numbered 72 as against 82 in May. Of these, 24 were in the eastern, 19 in the southern and 29 in the western district. The figures were based upon reports from 202 roads.

The carriers reduced operating expenses to \$23.34 per cent of their operating revenues against 85.43 per cent in May, the association said. All money taken in from railroad operation in June amounted to \$461,127,000, a decrease of 6.7 per cent from the same month last year, while operating expenses for June amounted to \$379,688,000, or 29.7 per cent less than in June, 1920.

Since September 1, 1920, when the government guarantee period ended the roads have earned \$268,445,000 or 2.5 per cent on their valuation.

DELEGATES MEET IN CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, O., Aug. 11.—The International Apple Growers' association convened here Wednesday, with the largest attendance ever recorded at its meetings. Two special trains one from New York and one from Chicago, brought delegates. One visitor was said to be in the market for 5000 carloads of apples.

APPLE MOVEMENT IS BIG THIS YEAR

BOISE, Aug. 11.—Idaho will have a carload movement of approximately 3200 cars of apples or an apple crop of 3,585,000 bushels while eastern states will have a short crop this year according to a special apple report is issued Wednesday by Julius H. Jacobson, federal agricultural statistician of the Idaho crop reporting service.

The complete report follows: "Prospects for the United States apple crop on August 1 were somewhat better than on July 1 due mainly to improvement in the Washington Oregon and Idaho crops. Conditions in eastern states, however, have shown little improvement and early estimates of a very short crop still hold good. On August 1 the nation's commercial apple crop was estimated at 21,327,000 barrels, which is 3,627,000 barrels greater than the July estimate, but 14,845,000 barrels less than the 1920 commercial production which totaled 36,172,000 barrels. This year's crop amounts to only 56 per cent of the five-year average crop, 1915 to 1919.

BIG TURNIPS PRODUCED HERE

George Washington Dalbow does not ask you to take his word for it when he tells you larger turnips are raised here than elsewhere, for he exhibits the goods which were raised on an V avenue, weighing eight pounds.

Secretary Fall Visit Medford

Prominent National Character Will Tour National Parks

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 11.—Secretary of Interior Fall will arrive in this city next Monday and will be the guest of the city. He is touring the national parks.

D'VALERA ANSWERS PEACE PROPOSAL

LONDON, Aug. 11.—DeValera's reply to the proposals of the British government for Irish peace was handed to Austin Chamberlain, government leader, at noon today. The tenor of the reply is withheld. The cabinet will consider the reply and may not divulge the contents for days.

WOOD MAY BE NEXT RULER OF ISLANDS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—It has been authoritatively stated that General Leonard Wood has been selected by the President for Governor General of the Philippines and that he will accept.

FORTY-THIRD HOME RUN. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 11.—Pabe Ruth knocked his forty-third home run today.

YIELD OF FRUIT IN STATE GOOD

Light Apple Crop in Willamette Valley But Good in Union County

NORTHWEST CROPS GOOD—POOR IN EAST

Hood River Apple Crop Better This Year—Frosts in Western Part of State Decreased Crop.

PORTLAND, Aug. 11.—Estimates by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates this year of 5,139 carloads of commercial apples, 8,000 tons of pears, 21,610 pounds of dried prunes for Oregon.

Willamette valley's unfavorable season during the blossoming season is blamed for the light apple crop. Union and Lane counties will show an increase in yield this season.

Pears throughout the state will go sixty to seventy-five per cent of normal, prunes will be below normal. Increase in Union valley apples is indicated with pears in that valley at fifty per cent.

Italian prunes rated at twenty-five per cent. The southern part of the state shows an apple crop twenty-five per cent above that of last year with a pear crop of fifty-five to sixty per cent based on normal.

Hood River will show ten to twenty per cent more apples this year and better quality with pears fifty per cent lower.

Union county reports fine apple crop, with Hermiston suffering from frosts early in season. Union county promises excellent showing with Wasco taking a shrinkage, Baker with an average yield of good quality and Malheur promising at least 200 carloads.

BOISE, Aug. 11.—Reduction of 61,000,000 bushels in the potato crop of the United States during July was announced Tuesday by Julius H. Jacobson, federal agricultural statistician of the Idaho crop reporting service. The forecast for the United States on August 1 is 316,000,000 bushels, while in 1920 the United States production was 431,000,000 bushels. The five year average production, 1915 to 1919 was 371,000,000 bushels.

Idaho has a 9,000,000-bushel crop in sight for this year, as compared with the 7,000,000-bushel crop of last year. Commenting on the situation Tuesday Miles Cannon, commissioner of the state department of agriculture, said: "While it is not the function of the department of agriculture to prophesy, the tendency will be to stimulate the values of potatoes during the season."

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Alice OK's "Knickers"



Miss Alice Robertson, congresswoman from Oklahoma, inspects and approves knickerbockers for street wear. The young lady is Dorothy Cameron. "However," says Miss Robertson, "knickerbockers will do for me."

Senator McNary Loses in Arid Land Fight

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The crying necessity for economy in public expenditures and for reduction in taxation rendered it unwise, in the opinion of President Harding, to attempt enactment at this time of the McNary-Smith bill, or any other bill entailing heavy appropriations of federal funds for irrigation development. The president so stated his position Wednesday to Representative Smith of Idaho, who visited the White House to sound out the chief executive.

President Harding stated he regarded further reclamation development desirable, but under the present conditions he thought new and heavy appropriations for this or any other new purpose could not be justified before the country. Representative Smith understands the president's position ends all hope of irrigation legislation at this session, and possibly for a longer time, and until the treasury can better stand the strain.

Nebraska Asked to Pay Damage to Crops by Game Birds of State

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 11.—Alleging that prairie chickens are eating up his wheat, Ed Langin, of Paxton, Neb., has asked the state to make reparation to him for the loss. He claims that the damages have amounted to \$5 a day. The state law protects the fowls and imposes a fine of \$50 for killing one between November and the first day of October, as Langin cannot show them.

FIVE GREAT POWERS TO BE INVITED

Official Invitations Are Expected to Go Forward at Once

BIG MOVE IN PEACE BEGUN

Number of Delegates Each Power Is to Send Is Subject to Adjustment and Consideration.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Diplomatic negotiations preliminary to the disarmament conference reached a formal stage, for the first time Wednesday, when the state department drafted notes of invitation to the five powers that are to be asked to participate.

Although officials declined to divulge details of the move, it is understood that the communications were brief and set forth in general terms the purposes for which the powers are requested to send delegates to meet in Washington on November 11. The text may be made public later.

While the notes were in process of formulation, the department is understood to have consulted with diplomatic representatives of the participating nations relative to the number of principal delegates each is to send to the conference. It was indicated that officials here desired to make the number suggested in the invitation conform as nearly as possible to the opinion among the powers addressed, although the opinion here was that in the interest of facility, the representatives of each participant ought not to exceed five or six.

Late Wednesday Secretary Hughes conferred at length with President Harding, and it was indicated after-

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GOV. SMALL RAPS HIS ACCUSERS

Executive in a Statement Bitterly Assails Those Who Are Responsible for His Arrest

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 11.—Offer by State's Attorney Mortimer of a change of venue for Governor Small, a vicious assault by the governor upon his political enemies in Sangamon county and an announcement that State Treasurer Edward E. Miller had turned in \$385,071.21 interest money to the treasury for the first six months of his term, were the principal developments of Wednesday in the seething capital of Illinois.

Monthly earnings on state money put out at interest by Miller, as detailed in the statement follow: January, \$30,999.96; February, \$49,514.68; Mar., \$56,153.75; April, \$51,775.33; May, \$58,636.04; June, \$55,335.23; July, \$33,558.12.

Governor Assaults Enemies. The governor's statement in part follows:

"The governor of Illinois has been falsely indicted and falsely arrested through the machinations of a gang holding in utter disregard the constitution and laws of this state.

"Contrary to the accepted principles of our government and at behest of corrupt conspirators, the authority of the people has been prostituted to the purposes of a lawless ring. This ring, comprised of the most vicious elements in Sangamon county, is aided and abetted by commercialized newspapers such as the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Daily News, Attorney General Edward J. Brundage and United States Senator Medill McCormick.

"I desire to say I have never evaded arrest upon the framed up charges in my indictment in the many counties of this state which I have since visited. No molestation has been attempted, except in gang-ruled Sangamon county."

WEATHER FORECAST.

To night and Friday fair with moderate westerly winds.

ABOUT THIS TIME O' YEAR

