

HOBSON BOY PASSES ON EARLY TODAY

Frantic Efforts to Save Life of Injured Lad Are Unavailing.

INVESTIGATION SAYS "ACCIDENT"

Gun Accidentally Discharged While Luckey Hobson and Francis Huntley Were Playing; Wound Proved Fatal.

Luckey Hobson, 12 years of age, who was yesterday afternoon accidentally shot in the neck, passed on this morning at 8:18 o'clock at the termination of a 16-hour battle for life.

The deceased was born April 12, 1911, at Ontario, and was 12 years and eight days of age at the time of his demise. He leaves to mourn his loss his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hobson, 1422 V avenue, and a stepbrother and stepmother, Iona and Herbert Winchester. He was a pupil at the Greenwood grammar school and was well liked by all who knew him, his demise leaving many sorrowful friends.

Funeral services will be held in the Bohnenkamp Chapel Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. The remains will be forwarded to Huntington, where he will be laid to rest by the side of his mother.

Shooting Accidental.

Young Hobson was accidentally shot through the neck yesterday afternoon before three o'clock, a .38 caliber bullet passing through his neck. The gun was in the hands of Francis Huntley, a boy also 12 years of age, and accidentally discharged while they were playing with it.

Courier Hal Bohnenkamp and District Attorney Ed Wright conducted an investigation and both declared that an inquest was unnecessary, holding that the shooting was entirely accidental and that no legal action should be taken in the matter.

According to the investigation the following facts were disclosed:

The two boys, who were released from school early yesterday afternoon due to a parent-teachers association meeting, were outside the schoolhouse and the Hobson boy asked Huntley to come to his house and see his rabbit and his father's gun. Francis acquiesced and they, after reaching the home, entered the bedroom in search of the gun. No one was at home at the time of the accident with the exception of the two boys. After a search they found the revolver hidden under a mattress and examined it. Hobson first had the gun in his possession and then passed it to Huntley, it accidentally discharging while in the latter boy's hands.

Hunted to hospital. Immediate aid was summoned and the injured boy was rushed to the hospital, where frantic efforts were made to save him. His last words were to the effect that "Francis didn't do it on purpose—it was an accident." When his father saw him he told him: "Goodby, father, I'm going to die."

WHEAT QUOTATIONS.

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Apr. 21.—Hard White \$1.35; Western Red, \$1.19.

Ad Club Meets at Island City

With Merton Kiddle sitting in the seat of honor at the head of the table, the Union County Ad club will be seated for their weekly Tuesday noon-day luncheon at Island City with the Ladies Aid of Island City serving.

Several matters of business will be taken up at this time and Mr. Kiddle also states that a very interesting program has been arranged.

All who have cars are asked to stop at the Ad Club headquarters at 11:45 o'clock and those who have no other means of going to the luncheon site, are urged to congregate at the headquarters in plenty of time to secure a ride.

That the attendance Tuesday will be large is assured beyond all doubt. The Ladies Aid have a reputation as being caterers of excellence and promise the gentlemen a "royal repast."

Weather Forecast



Portland, Apr. 21—Fair tonight and Sunday, heavy frost tonight.

Sun Yat Sen's Army Is Victorious In Canton Scrap, Casualties Huge

(By Associated Press.)
CANTON, Apr. 21.—With heavy engagements just outside Canton, Yunnanese troops supporting Sun Yat Sen, have recaptured the arsenal from the opposing Kwangsi army, which is retreating northward. Both sides suffered severe casualties.

DEE ROGERS IS FOUND GUILTY, JAIL AND FINE

Charged with Possession of Liquor, Is Sentenced to 20 Days in Jail and Fined \$300.

Dee Rogers, colored, was found guilty in the municipal court this morning by Judge H. J. Kitchen of a complaint charging him with the possession of intoxicating liquor. He was sentenced to 20 days in the city jail and fined \$300. Rogers began serving his sentence immediately after the trial. Rogers' residence was raided a short time ago by city prohibition agents and sufficient evidence was found, including some liquor, to insure his conviction.

WILL EXPLAIN TRIBUNAL PLAN

President Harding Believes Much of Opposition to Proposal Due to Lack of Information.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 21.—Convinced that lack of information is responsible for much of the opposition to the administration plan for American membership in the permanent court of international justice, President Harding is understood to have decided to explain the proposal carefully and in detail at the first favorable opportunity.

The explanation contemplated by the chief executive is expected to take the form of a letter in an address, more probably the latter. It is considered unlikely that the presidential pronouncement will be delayed until the proposed western speaking trip to the middle of June.

Will Speak Soon. Some of the president's advisers are of the opinion that it should be made in the near future and this opinion became more decided after Representative Will R. Wood of Indiana, chairman of the Republican committee, during a call at the White House Friday, asserted that the world court proposition had aroused more opposition among Republicans in the middle west than the league of nations.

The president has accepted several invitations to make addresses, some of them only tentatively, within the next few weeks. A dozen or more additional invitations have been tendered.

To opportunities to obtain any detailed information the president might desire in connection with the preparation of a statement of the administration plan as submitted to the senate shortly before the adjournment of congress were afforded Friday in conferences held by the executive with Elihu Root and Secretary Hughes.

BULLETINS

BISHOP LAID TO REST
ST. LOUIS, Apr. 21.—The Right Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, presiding bishop of the Episcopal church in the United States, was laid to rest Friday afternoon in Bellefontaine cemetery, beside the graves of Mrs. Tuttle and a son and grandson.

The funeral procession moved from Christ church cathedral, where the burial ritual was read, through downtown St. Louis, where thousands of persons paused to watch the progress of the cortege to the final resting place.

SIGNS CONSTITUTION
CAIRO, Egypt, Apr. 21.—The Egyptian constitution, signed by King Fuad, declares the country to be a sovereign state, free and independent. Succession to the throne shall be hereditary in the family of Mohammed Ali, the official religion shall be the Islamic, and the official language Arabic. One article provides for the obligatory elementary education of both sexes, to be provided free of charge in public schools. This marks a great educational stride, especially in the case of the girls.

GOVERNMENT TO REQUEST EXTRADITION

Negotiations With Honduras for the Surrender of Clara Phillips.

HAMMER MURDERESS IN HONDURAS, CLAIM

Formal Request for Extradition to Be Made By the State Department Following Identity Establishment.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—As preliminary to a formal request for extradition the state department decided to open negotiations with Honduras to establish the identity of a suspect residing in Tegucigalpa, believed to be Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted hammer murderess, who escaped from the Los Angeles county jail, is a guest at the Tegucigalpa hotel, Honduras, according to a telegram received here Friday by Governor Friend W. Richardson from the state department at Washington.

Said To Be In Honduras. SACRAMENTO, Calif., Apr. 21.—Woman closely resembling Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted hammer murderess, who escaped from the Los Angeles county jail, is a guest at the Tegucigalpa hotel, Honduras, according to a telegram received here Friday by Governor Friend W. Richardson from the state department at Washington.

The telegram was as follows: "American legation, Tegucigalpa, Honduras, telegraphs Clara Phillips, reported to be at Hotel Tegucigalpa under name of Mrs. Robert Young, accompanied by couple registered Mr. and Mrs. Parson. If you desire, this department to request fugitive, provisional arrest and detention, with view of extradition, please so state and add that she had been convicted of murder in California."

The governor's office immediately notified the Los Angeles county sheriff of the receipt of the telegram and asked that the governor be formally notified of Mrs. Phillips' conviction and that the detention of the suspect in Honduras was desired.

4 Airmen Killed

(By Associated Press.)
DAYTON, O., Apr. 21.—Four fliers were killed, and two probably fatally injured today when a Martin air seaplane bomber fell into the Great Miami river here.

MARINE HEAD IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Wash., Apr. 21.—Major General John A. Lejeune, commandant of the United States marine corps, arrived here today in the course of an inspection trip through the Pacific northwest and at noon was a guest at a luncheon given in his honor by the Second Division association.

Huge Tumbler Reported From Russia; Loss Of Life Great; Big Damage

(By Associated Press.)
MOSCOW, Apr. 21.—Russian newspapers report an earthquake April 19th at Petropavlovsk, Kamchatka, that carried into the sea two factories, a hospital, and several houses. The number of casualties is not reported.

SETTLEMENT LOOKED FOR IN MEX ROW

Washington Government Is Expected to Recognize Obregon's Government In Short Time.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Apr. 21.—A long controversy between the United States and the Obregon government in Mexico has reached a state considered an official climax as forecasting an early complete agreement, according to information today.

Renewed assurances regarding the protection of foreigners' rights, chief stumbling block now in the way of recognition of the Obregon government, have been received at Washington.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR RALLY IS SUCCESSFUL

One of the most successful rallies of the Christian Endeavorers of Eastern Oregon came to a close at the Presbyterian church last evening. Charles C. Hamilton, of Boston, Field Secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor thoroughly thrilled and inspired the many who heard him. His message to the intermediates at the afternoon session was a most helpful presentation of "Second Mile Christian Endeavorers." The Fellowship Banquet was attended by over one hundred enthusiastic young people. The toasts and songs made all present feel glad to have a part in the movement that provided such splendid events. But the crown of the occasion was the evening session. Delegates from Halfway, Baker and Wallawa were present. One group having come 115 miles by car for the gathering. After a stirring song service and a message from each delegation, under the direction of the Union President, Dr. J. L. MacPherson, of La Grande, all hearts turned eagerly to hear Mr. Hamilton on the theme, "Putting the End in Christian Endeavor." As he spoke of the past attainments, the present actions, and the possibilities of Christian Endeavor, his large audience spoke their sincere appreciation by the rapt attention given. Mr. Hamilton will always be a very welcome visitor to La Grande and the Christian Endeavor leaders look forward to the time when that pleasure may again be ours.

VOLCANO SUBSIDES

REDDING, Calif., Apr. 21.—Lassen Peak, which indulged in a half hour eruption last night emitting smoke but nothing else, had subsided this morning.

Definite Plans Effected for Oregon Trail Pageant at Union Meet Yesterday

92 PROMOTERS CHARGED WITH MISUSING MAIL

Federal Grand Jury Indicts Men Connected With 15 Companies; Trial Set for May 15.

FORT WORTH, Apr. 21.—Trial of the 92 oil men interested in 15 oil companies, against whom indictments charging use of the mails to defraud were returned Friday by a Federal grand jury, which has had the evidence before them for the last two months, will begin May 15. A district judge from outside of this district will probably be called to assist Federal Judge James C. Wilson in handling the cases.

Up to 19 o'clock Friday night 44 of the 92 men indicted had appeared before the United States commissioner and made bond ranging all the way from \$5000 to \$40,000. The latter is the surety of Dr. Frederick A. Cook. The total amount of bonds set and recommended is \$620,000. The oil companies involved in the indictments have taken in over \$7,000,000 in cash an into three of the companies were merged 458 companies which had sold \$135,000,000 in stock. United States District Attorney Henry Zweifel declared the investigation had disclosed. Approximately 2,064,000 persons were stockholders in the merged companies and the companies named in the indictments.

Among those indicted are: Marshall Spoons, former county attorney. E. C. Kingsbury, aspirant and Republican choice for the Fort Worth postmaster.

Doctor Cook Included. Dr. Frederick A. Cook, sole trustee and president of the Petroleum Producers' association. J. W. Carruth, trustee of the Hog Creek Carruth company. John C. Verser and Albert H. Shepard, secretary treasurer and vice president of the Revere Oil company. Warren H. Hollister, George M. Richardson and H. E. Robinson, trustees of the Pilgrim Oil company.

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U. of W. Wins

(By Associated Press.)
OAKLAND, Apr. 21.—The University of Washington victory crew defeated California by six lengths and the Washington freshmen defeated the California freshmen by three and one-half lengths in their annual boat races here today.

Portland Asked to Waive President's Oregon Address: Pageant to Be All Northwest Affair; Budget Is Adopted; Community Assignments Made; Specific Plans Outlined; Executive Committee Named; Wonderful Pageant Prophecies

Fifty East Oregonians, gathered from nearly every community in the district, and with several present from nearby states, met in Union yesterday noon at the Union Hotel for the purpose of effecting the first specific plans for the staging of the Old Oregon Trail pageant in the heart of the Blue Mountains next July Fourth to celebrate the completion of the Old Oregon Trail highway. Pendleton, La Grande, Union and Baker each had large delegations present, in addition to other delegations, not so large but fully as enthusiastic and purposeful, present.

In brief, the Old Oregon Trail Association will sponsor the celebration and the direct management will be in the hands of President Walter E. Meacham, of Baker; Secretary A. W. Nelson, of La Grande, and an executive committee, elected yesterday noon, consisting of L. C. Scharpf, of Pendleton Dr. W. T. Thy, of Hot Lake; and C. L. Cadwell, of Union.

Hagenbarth Predicts A Permanent World Wide Period of Prosperity

(By Associated Press.)
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Apr. 21.—World-wide prosperity, of a permanent nature, was predicted by E. G. Hagenbarth, President of the National Woolgrowers' Association, asserting that in the west sheepmen were "coming into their own" with prices for wool forty to fifty cents a pound. Hagenbarth stated that in the Intermountain country there are about 4,000,000 sheep which will bring nearly \$15,000,000 for wool and about \$20,000,000 for lambs.

ROAD TO COVE DRAWS COMMENT

The Cove road matter continues to be of interest throughout the county. When the Evening Observer a few days ago found that time for filing briefs in the case was about to expire a search for further development and more details of interest was made, including a request to Judge Couch to give the press everything pertaining to the Cove road. It was then that he gave out the interview on the types of surfacing and his stand on the matter.

The Cove Farm Bureau at its meeting the following evening came out charging the judge with having tried the law case pertaining to the road in the newspapers, and today Judge Couch stated to the Observer that nothing more foreign to any such intention could have existed, for his interview merely reiterated the stand he has constantly maintained relative to the kind of highway construction for the Cove road.

THE MARKET.
(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Apr. 21.—Livestock was steady, eggs firm, butter steady.

Few Twin Beds Sold In La Grande, Say Dealers

Single frames and box-spring manufacturers to the contrary, the old-fashioned double bed has not been put to rest by the Twentieth century twin beds.

This was incontrovertibly proven today in a questionnaire of La Grande dealers.

"We are selling more twin beds than heretofore, that's true. But we are still selling 10 times more of the old-fashioned double beds than the new divorce-producing kind."

The gentleman was convinced that very few young couples in La Grande search for the new home equipment, cared to be bothered with the twin bed proposition. There was the expense, you know, and the space to be considered, and the double number of pillow cases and sheet and counterpane to be laundered, and—oh well, who wants a twin bed, anyway!

At another big store, the furniture department avowed that never in the history of the institution had quite so many double beds passed through the factory to flat. No sir, not half the number of twin beds were sold.

Old-Fashioned Kind Good. The curious reporter stopped at another store, where he dived once again his question.

"It wasn't that it's not less than 20 to one in favor of the double bed," said a salesman, "and maybe more." Sometimes people ask to see the twin beds, but they only look at them. We have some samples here and young engaged folks will come in and look at them, then they'll sort of giggle and blush and say they guess they don't want twin beds, but would like to look at a nice, comfortable veteran type."

Dinner was served in the famous Patsy Clark style and following the dinner, the remaining business before the meeting at Union was consummated.

Harding Address Sought. Two outstanding events of yesterday's meeting were first, the request, wired by Secretary Nelson to the Portland Chamber of Commerce, reading "in part" "The meeting was unanimous in asking Portland to join with us in this event and helping arrange to have President Harding deliver his Oregon address at this celebration, and the unanimous opinion of the fifty men present was that if Portland asked the President to deliver his Oregon address at the pageant rather than in Portland, his presence would be assured, and his audience would be vastly more representative of the Northwest," and in this same connection a wire was sent Senator C. L. McNary, reading "Believers from Pendleton, La Grande, Union, Baker and other communities met today in Union and selected the executive committee which is to handle the pageant depicting the coming of the first wagon train to the Oregon country. All of the Northwest is expected to join in this event. There could be no better place or occasion for the President to deliver his Oregon address than in the heart of the Blue mountains in commemoration of an historical event which made history for America. We are holding out dates awaiting word from the President and trust that definite date can be set soon."

Northwest Affair. The second outstanding event yesterday was an agreement by those present that the pageant "must not hereafter be classified as an Oregon affair but be termed of Northwest origin and management. It will be the 80th anniversary of the coming of the first wagon train into the northwest, or what was then Oregon and all cities of the northwest will be invited to participate in various ways."

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DON'T WORRY, THE RECONCILIATION COMES IN THE LAST ACT.

