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Hunt's
Daily
Letter

(By Harry B. Hunt)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—Down at the Washington navy yard was the wreck of an old smooth-bore naval cannon, its muzzle shot away, which has seemed an object of reverence to an aged, slender, gray-haired man who has visited it from time to time.

Probably the visitor regarded these visits as occasions for communing again with an old pal.

For the gun was one of those mounted on the historic Confederate battleship Virginia, first of the ironclads, better known as the Merrimack, and the ship-shoofed old man who lingered so fondly over it on his periodic visits was Captain Henry H. Markham, who commanded the gun crew which was serving it when a shot "chance-boxed on a rail"—put it out of commission.

But today the battered old gun remains the sole survivor of that historic battle to be found in the capital. For 18 months there had been no visit to the navy yard by the old officer.

And on Nov. 15 he died—the last of the officer personnel aboard the Merrimack in the first naval battle ever fought between ironclads.

With his death Washington lost one of the most colorful personalities of the "old days."

Scientific study of the soul has been attempted by Dr. Alfred Hrdlicka, chief anthropologist of the Smithsonian Institution. And as a result of his scientific deductions to date, Dr. Hrdlicka is convinced that soul is not a quality of which the human race has a monopoly, but extends down through the whole scale of intelligent life, varying only in degree as the intelligence of the various species varies.

"Those who have loved and lost," says Hrdlicka, "know the soul exists. It has been a faith beyond science. But when we come to actual knowledge of it, there is little to be said."

"It is impossible to discover any definite line in the life of a human being, from conception to death, when a line can be drawn on one side of which there is no soul and on the other side of which there is soul."

"In the scale of life itself there is no definite point at which it can be said that the soul begins to exist."

"Whatever soul may be, it must exist in proportion to mind throughout all nature."

Hrdlicka's deductions are a result of a recent intensive study given to the work of attempting to establish beyond peradventure the

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C. H. FINN RUN
DOWN BY CAR

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special).—C. H. Finn, 75, an attorney with offices in the Chamber of Commerce building, was run down and seriously injured by a south-bound Irvington street car at the corner of Fifth and Couch streets, Mr. Finn, suffering from a fractured right hip, is at the St. Vincent hospital. His injuries, while serious, were thought not to be fatal.

Mr. Finn was crossing Fifth street and in an attempt to dodge a fast moving automobile jumped into the path of the street car. He was struck and thrown clear of the wheels of the vehicle. The driver of the automobile did not stop.

Mr. Finn's home is at 119 North Twenty-first street.

Judge Finn was a resident of La Grande for many years, having only lately moved to Portland. He has many friends here and is anxiously waiting for word of his improvement.

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When Imbler ladies say, "Chicken dinner" what a startling effect it has upon the men of the whole county.

This was demonstrated yesterday. Word had gone out that Imbler ladies were preparing one of their noted chicken dinners and before the gong sounded announcing the dinner serving nearly every business and professional man in La Grande was in Imbler. They were joined by the Hot Lake crowd, the Union delegation and some came over from Cove.

Instead of having room for their guests the ladies found it necessary to run two tables and the nice part about the dinner was that the "second" table fared just as well as the first—all having an abundance of chicken, dumplings, corn, potatoes with pies that would be prize winners any place exhibited. The service was in harmony with the quality of the dinner.

Lyle Kiddle, merchant of Imbler, presided and after a speech of welcome he called upon Frank McKennon, a rancher of the Imbler county to tell how the La Grande Chamber of Commerce could assist Imbler.

Comments La Grande. Mr. McKennon spoke with a lot of wisdom, first by telling Imbler people any help to any district must first come from within to show a genuineness and sincerity of purpose. Following that the speaker said the way is clear to work out things on a co-operative basis. He took the stand that La Grande business people had always been ready and willing to do what they could to further the prosperity of the Imbler section. He clinched the belief that the McNary-Haugen bill or some plan of that nature must be passed before farming can be a profitable business, and he commended La Grande for joining unanimously in the effort to get this bill through congress.

Responding to Mr. McKennon's speech, Elmer L. Stoddard, president of the La Grande Chamber of Commerce, called attention to patient facts. He did it in a firm and impressive manner showing he had given the subject considerable study.

His idea is that before many years the saw mills will have the crop of timber which required 200 years to grow, pretty well cut out and that La Grande must be backed by a better developed valley from an agricultural standpoint, will show a marked decline. It is his idea that the wheat fields must give way to the production of something requiring more intensive farming and which will yield a greater return.

President Stoddard held for the plan of Elmer and townsmen getting together and working an irrigation project.

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Salvation Army Plans
Thanksgiving Program

A Thanksgiving program will be given at the Salvation Army hall Thursday evening at eight o'clock, according to an announcement by Adjutant Peterson. During the evening a play will be presented entitled "Saved by His Child."

The Army cordially invites all to attend.

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Big Audience
Was Present
At RevivalReverend S. W. Creasey
Speaker of Evening
Service; Thanksgiving
Program Announced.

The largest week evening audience yet gathered at the Union Evangelistic services, was in attendance last night at the Baptist church.

The music was supported by a choir which occupied all the choir space. The congregation sang under the leadership of O. W. Jones, pastor of the Christian church.

The preachers' quartette, Revs. Jones, Powell, Pollard and Holl sang "Sing Away."

Reverend S. W. Creasey, of the Episcopal church, was the speaker of the evening and announced his text "The law was given by Moses but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."

He said: "Nothing has so truly revealed the state of man as his behavior before the Cross. We see brutality, cruelty, injustice, and wrong clearly revealed as men behold one who came to show men how far astray they had gone, and at the same time reveal the underlying love of God. Man exacted life from Jesus, and God exacted the fulfillment of a life of obedience from a member of the race. God accepted the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and its benefits accrue to all the race. He becomes the head of the race and through Him and his obedience man becomes clothed with His righteousness and by grace receives power to become Sons of God. For the law came by Moses, but grace and truth through Jesus Christ."

The annual Thanksgiving service will be held at the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m., not in the morning as is usually the case for such a service.

FIGHT WEEVIL
BY SPRAYINGAlfalfa seedling in Union county
during the past two years has been
more or less affected by anxiety
about the alfalfa weevil. States-
men by H. H. Woodhouse, of Ontar-
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io, that successful control has
been secured by spraying, should
reassure our statesmen. The Farm Bu-
reau Bulletin, Several thousand
acres were sprayed in Malheur
county this year and results were
so good that the sprayed crop was
above the average production. This
is explained by the fact that spray-
ing not only destroys the weevil but
also many other insects including
grasshoppers, which destroy a
considerable amount of the crop
each year.

The quarantine line in Baker county contrary to some opinions
has apparently been of considerable
benefit. Examination of tour-
ist cars has destroyed many insects
which would have been carried
across the line in bedding and other
baggage. The infection of weevils
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Seeding time grass pastures
seems a very good move for 1925.
We need more pastures to carry
the livestock we now have. In ir-
rigated sections a limited amount
of this pasture can be grown with
a better return than grain or other
crops will give. Two demonstra-
tions of planting tame grass, one
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Near BakersfieldSEARCH STARTED
FOR SUSPECTSTex Roland and Tom
Walker Sought; Au-
thorities Believe They
Are Dead Also.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal. (By the Associated Press).—Poses today are combing the Kernville district, 60 miles northeast of here, in an effort to locate "Tex" Roland and Thomas Walker, or their bodies, as the aftermath of a killing Monday night of Newt Walker and Frank Murdock at Walker's cabin.

An investigation established, according to the sheriff's office, that Newt Walker and Murdock were killed by another man or the two men.

Both Slain at Cabin.

Walker was found dead lying across the cabin door. Murdock was found 50 feet from the cabin, shot by a revolver that had been held close to his head.

Authorities believe the double murder is the result of a feud of 20 years' standing in the Kernville district.

Roland's clothes were found in his cabin, near Walker's, and it is thought possible that Roland and Tom Walker had also been killed. Neither could be located last night or today.

AMATEURS HEAR
EUROPEAN SONGS
QUITE PLAINLY

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press).—Trans-Atlantic radio casting of words, singing, music, so plainly that the amateur can listen in is an accepted fact today.

Last night, the second night of the international radio tests, was marked by widespread success in picking up the European stations, according to reports being received here today.

CINCINNATI (AP).—Scores of radio fans in the Ohio valley tuned in last night on European broadcasting stations, according to reports received today. The reception of piano numbers from Aberdeen, Scotland, was reported by a majority of listeners.

NO MERCY FOR
WIFE BEATERErickson & Durland
Complete Partnership

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Now Truly's Thin Enough For Stage Again



TRULY IN HER PRIME. Thirty years ago Truly Shattuck was the toast of Broadway. But as the years' creep on, her sylph-like figure lost its graceful curves. Her waistline jumped from 32 to 52 inches, and she tipped the scales at 202 pounds. Diet as she would her avoirdupois would not drop off. And Truly "faded out." Then, by chance, she heard of the work of Dr. Henry J. Schlessman, Chicago plastic surgeon. She went to him and he agreed to trim her. Sixty-nine pounds of fatty tissue were cut off. Her double chin was made single and her face underwent a thorough remodeling. Now stage offers are coming to Truly again.

BAND CONCERT
IS ARRANGED

According to an announcement by Andrew Loney Jr., director of the La Grande Municipal band, the first free public concert by this well-known organization, will be given on Sunday, December 14. Through the courtesy of Meyers and Ford of the Arcade theater, this concert will be given there, to start at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The members of the band have been working hard and will continue to do so in an effort to make this the finest instrumental concert heard in La Grande for some time. According to Mr. Loney, the band is in better shape than ever before in its history and bids fair to exceed the splendid reputation it already has over the northwest.

Complete details together with the complete program will be announced in this paper at a later date.

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Joseph Roesch, the girls' father, and a farmhand, said no fire had been started in the stove the day the house burned. Conditions carrying electric wiring were said to be in good condition, casting doubt, according to officials, on the theory that defective wiring caused the blaze. It was also said that fuse plugs were not damaged. The father is in a hospital suffering from a breakdown from grief.

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EGYPT QUIET
REPORTS SAY

LONDON (By the Associated Press).—Field Marshal Allenby, high commissioner of Egypt, is reported to the British government today that the situation in Egypt is much easier. The possibility of serious riots is greatly reduced, he said.

British troops are being marched through Cairo streets daily in accordance with a British custom in similar cases in near eastern territories based on experience that prove this one of the best means of preventing riots.

Strikes of students and public employees have continued. Minor disturbances and secret meetings have been inspired by students, but are not assuming serious proportions.

ACQUAINT LEAGUE

GENEVA (AP).—A telegram of protest against the British action in Egypt following the slaying of Sir Lee Stack, sir, was received today by the league of nations secretariat from the Egyptian parliament under the signature of the president of that body.

Highway Filling Station
Purchased by R. Carey

Announcement of the purchase of the Highway Filling Station by Robert Carey of La Grande was made yesterday evening. The station is at present managed by Hale and Miller who will remain in possession until the first of December.

Speaking of the policy of the station under the new management Mr. Carey stated that the same high class of service will be maintained as formerly.

FARMER AID WORK PUSHED

WASHINGTON (AP).—Plans for aid to the farmer in the short congressional session are understood to include the four-fold proposition—cooperative marketing, preferred railroad rates for farm products, development of the European market, and easier credit to the cattle raiser.

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MEXICO CITY (AP).—At 5 o'clock yesterday morning in a little town of Empalme near Guaymas on the gulf of California, Charlie Chaplin was married to Lita Grey, his leading woman, by Civil Justice Antonio Haro, according to dispatches received here from Guaymas.

XTRA

PRIEST KILLED
SEATTLE (AP).—Rev. M. J. O'Callaghan, of the Holy Rosary Roman Catholic church here, was killed and Father James McGrath and Patrick Farrelly were injured when their automobile plunged off the road a mile north of O'Brien, near here. O'Callaghan was drowned when pinned beneath the machine in a ditch containing water.

"TRAP" TOLD OF
LONDON (AP).—The Paris hotel apartment zone, in which it is alleged "Mr. A." wealthy Indian prince, was entrapped with Mrs. Newton, wife of a former bookmaker, was described today when Montague Noel Newton, who yesterday testified he joined a conspiracy to extort a huge sum from the potentate, resumed the stand in the trial of Robinson's suit against the Midland bank.

Newton said, by "Mr. A's" aide de camp, Newton testified he received final instructions the night before and came early in the morning he went to the prince's suite, opened the door, assumed the role of Mrs. Robinson's husband, and informed the potentate he had "written the evidence he wanted."

He said Mrs. Robinson, carrying out her role, attacked him, shouting "my brute of a husband" and that finally the police intervened.

Pepdleton Farmer Cleared

PENDLETON, Ore. (By the Associated Press).—A verdict of not guilty was brought in Tuesday afternoon by the jury that heard the testimony in the state case against Edward Garris, young farmer, charged with involuntary manslaughter in connection with the death last April of Harry Leary, 14th. The boy was killed while on the way to school when he was struck by the Garris automobile.

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pointment TodayTO QUIT PRESENT
POST NEXT MONTHNew Manager to Make
Trip Through Western
Oregon to Study Civic
Problems.

The commissioners-elect, A. T. Hill, Dr. R. E. Landis and Charles Paylor, today announced that W. C. Crews had been appointed city manager of La Grande, to take office at the first of the year when the new commission will be sworn in. Mr. Crews was selected from several applicants owing to his excellent record during the past several years and because of his thorough knowledge of the many problems that La Grande faces.

He will succeed F. B. Hayes, who has been city manager of this city since O. A. Kratz resigned from that position to accept the office of business manager of Astoria.

Mr. Crews has held a high place in engineering in eastern Oregon for the past seven years and his ability along this line is unquestionable.

For the past few years he has been second-hand man to R. H. Baldeck, division engineer, and has been a prominent factor in the excellent road work obtained in Union, Umatilla, Baker and Walla Walla counties. His present title is office engineer. Prior to coming to La Grande he was located engineer at Pendleton.

Mr. Crews is a licensed engineer in the state of Oregon and has been with the state highway department for the past seven years.

Prior to associating himself with the state highway department, he was three years municipal engineer at Medford, Ore., and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, two years locating engineer for Kootenai county, Idaho and was two years with the reclamation service at Klamath Falls, Ore.

He was graduated from the Oregon Agricultural college in civil engineering in 1910 and since that time his progress has been rapid.

To Resign Next Month.

Mr. Crews will resign from the highway office about December 5 and then he and his wife will motor through western Oregon, visiting Astoria, Eugene and other cities, for the purpose of investigating problems that they have faced and conquered. At Astoria he will visit O. A. Kratz, business manager of the city, and formerly city manager here.

He may, if time permits, also visit a few cities in southwestern Washington before returning here to take up his duties January 1, 1925.

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