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WEEKEND
ACCIDENTS
TAKE TOLL

Wallowa Man Dies Sunday After Canyon Car Wreck

PORTLAND WOMAN KILLED AT BEACH

Former La Grande People Injured in Crash Near Salem—Seattle Woman Slain.

WEEK END ACCIDENTS
Wallowa—Man dies of injuries suffered in car wreck.
Cannon Beach—Portland woman killed, husband injured.
Salem—Former La Grande people injured.
Ventura, Cal.—Seattle woman fatally hurt; two others injured.

Herbert McGinnis was called to Wallowa Sunday morning on word that his brother, Benjamin McGinnis, had been seriously injured in an automobile accident late Saturday night. The victim died at the Wallowa hospital at 2:30 p. m. yesterday without having regained consciousness.

With two other young men, the decedent was returning to Wallowa from a dance at Minam. Just about a mile out of town, a front wheel broke, causing the machine to skid over the embankment where it struck a tree. McGinnis was picked up in an unconscious condition, his head badly crushed. The other passengers were uninjured, at-

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INJURED PERSONS
ALL ARE ON WAY
TO GOOD HEALTH

Little Claudia Simmons, who was hurt in a fall from a horse Friday evening near the Riverside park bridge, is improving fast, and has been sitting up today. It is reported from the L. L. Cooper home, where she and her parents are guests from Michigan. Florence Cooper was on the horse with Claudia when an automobile hit the animal, throwing them to the road. Her injuries were slight, and she is quite recovered.

Mrs. Henry Wilson, who was injured about the head and suffered a sprained ankle in an automobile accident near Minam Thursday evening, was removed to her home from the hospital Sunday. Her condition is satisfactory today. Mrs. Baum's son, Harry Baum, of Portland, was driving the car when it skidded and struck a rock. Mrs. Wilson, who was asleep, was thrown from the back seat, and Mrs. Baum was slung against the back of the front seat by the jar.

300 Attend K.O.M. Picnic;
Pratt Is Elected President

Claud C. Pratt was elected president when about 300 members of the Klamath-Oregon-Missouri association met at Riverside park for their annual fellowship picnic Sunday. Mrs. Catharine Stringham was

La Grande
Has Part In
Medic Meet

Chamber of Commerce Members and Others to Assist Hot Lake in Entertainment.

HOT LAKE, (Special).—Not only La Grande physicians but laymen of that city are taking an active part in the annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon District Medical society, which will be held at Hot Lake and at the North Powder lakes Wednesday of this week. Nearly a 100 doctors and their wives have written they are attending the meeting, while the state board of health will also be present.

Dr. W. T. Phy, president of the Union county chamber of commerce, will, as head of the organization of visiting doctors, preside at all meetings. Dr. E. G. Kirby, of La Grande, is vice president. Dr. A. L. Richardson and Dr. J. L. Kelson, both of La Grande, are on the committee of welcome and will assist in meeting the visitors at Hot Lake at 7:30 Wednesday morning and in seeing that they get to the North Powder lakes in time for a cowboy breakfast at 10 o'clock. Frank Lilly and Herman Koench, of the Union county chamber of commerce are assisting in the preparation, which will literally give the medical men a taste of cowboy life.

Bounty to Speak.
When discussion of medical problems and new discoveries opens at 11 o'clock beneath the towering pines of the Union county wonder district, Dr. W. T. Phy will first address the doctors. His subject is "Education of the Lay Public." Dr. Lee Bouvy, of La Grande, will be the second speaker, telling of "Periodic Examination From the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists." Main point.

Following a discussion of Dr. Bouvy's paper by Dr. G. G. Gordon, of Baker, Dr. R. T. Murphy will talk on "The Relation of Teeth to Health." Discussions of two other papers will be held by Grande Blende valley physicians. Dr. Mark Pitt, of Hot Lake, is to analyze a talk on "Medical Management of Diabetes Mellitus" by Dr. J. P. Brennan, while Dr. W. P. McCord, of La Grande, will discuss the speech by Dr. Thomas Higgins, of Baker, on "Some Side Lights on Twenty Years of General Practice."

A banquet at the Hot Lake sanatorium, at which Dr. Phy will be host, will follow the meeting at the North Powder lakes and precede a reception to which all who wish to attend are invited to meet the visiting doctors.

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Playle Oil Company
Station Opens Today

The new Playle Oil company station on West Adams avenue is now open for business. It was announced today by a member of the firm.

J. P. Henry, for many years in this business in La Grande, has leased the property and will have charge of the distribution of oil and gas.

Rotarians Entertain
Two Luncheon Guests

Judge E. G. Couch and Thomas Hill, home from medical college in the east to spend vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill, were guests when the Rotarians met for luncheon at the Foley hotel this noon. A number of its members having answered the call of vacation, the club devoted its business period to routine matters.

Israel Zangwill, Jew
Author, Dead in London

LONDON, Aug. 2 (AP).—Israel Zangwill, perhaps the greatest contemporary Jewish commentator on Jewish life, playwright and novelist, is dead. He was 62 years old. His literary reputation was won in 1892 by his novel, "The Children of the Ghetto."

Mr. Zangwill was an ardent Zionist and founded the international Jewish territorial organization.

Kept Warm



Maybe you didn't know Mr. Rainer in Washington had a crater, but Miss Frances Dunbar, Seattle bookkeeper, spent a comfortable night atop the peak when she was caught by darkness and took refuge in a cave warmed by steam. It was almost too warm, she said.

PREACHES AT
TWO SERVICES

End of Vacation Finds Baptist Pastor Delivering Union Sermons From Two Pulpits.

"There is a pride that justifies itself—the pride that recognizes the dignity of worth of personality, and seems to stoop to unworthy deeds," asserted the Rev. George Albert Pollard, Baptist pastor at the Presbyterian church yesterday morning, where he addressed the first of two union services on his first Sunday after vacation.

"That kind of pride results personally, and contributes most to

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MEN'S WEAR IN
NEW LOCATION
THIS MORNING

The Men's Wear opened for business in the West-Jacobson building at Adams avenue and Elm street this morning, having made a week-end removal from its old location across the street in the middle of the same block.

New fixtures and shelving, a decorative scheme in buff and brown and new draperies are planned to refurbish the place. The same type of stock will be carried on an enlarged scale, according to Frank Cullen, who will continue as manager. He plans especially to increase the number of suits on hand.

The Ash Bros. stock, formerly in this building, has all been moved by the purchaser, John Trotter, of Baker, to a store in North Powder.

Frank Weaver, tailor on Depot street, is reported to be preparing to move into the building just vacated by the Men's Wear store.

La Grande Women Home
From Hawaiian Islands

"Every tree, bush and weed in the Hawaiian islands blossom," declared Miss Mabel Herzinger, who with Miss Grace Allen returned to La Grande Saturday evening after a vacation spent on the islands.

"Flowers are everywhere, and the climate is perfect. The place is more like a dreamland than anything else," she said. "Anyone who has never been there can hardly believe such a place exists."

Miss Herzinger and Miss Allen visited both Oahu and Hawaii islands, traveling around each by automobile, and viewed the volcano that was recently active. At Hilo they saw Miss Mae Neill, of La Grande. She told them she had contracted to teach in the high school at Honolulu next year.

4 STATES
WILL VOTE
TOMORROW

Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas and Montana Are Ready for Ballot

PROHIBITION BIG CAMPAIGN FORCE

Klan and Evolution Also Enter Contests in Some Districts in the Middle-west.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 2 (AP).—Candidates for national congressional and state nominations in Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas and Montana were concluding campaign efforts in their home districts today after making prohibition one of the principal issues in their drives for votes at tomorrow's primary elections.

Seven candidates are seeking the long and short term Missouri senatorial nominations with the world court and farm relief secondary to the wet and dry issue. George H. Williams, of St. Louis, incumbent, seeks both republican nomination, declaring prohibition is not an issue. He is opposed for the short term by Roderick Priest, of St. Louis, an avowed wet. Williams' opponents for the long term are Priest and David Trotter, of Kansas City, a dry.

The attempt of Jonathan M.

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MAN ADMITS HE
MURDERED 14 IN
VARIOUS STATES

SEATTLE, Aug. 2 (AP).—Thomas Johnson, 35, alias Kelly, alias Smith, confessed to 14 murders today while police conducted a nation-wide inquiry to determine whether his story of the killings was true.

Johnson walked into police headquarters Saturday night and told detectives he had led a life of crime and was through. That he detailed murders he declared he had committed in British Columbia, California and several middle western states. He admitted insanity and said he escaped in 1921 from an insane asylum in Missouri, after being transferred from the Missouri state penitentiary. Advancing from police of cities where Johnson declared he had committed the murders was partly corroborated and partly tended to contradict the man's story.

Bulletins

NEW YORK, Aug. 2 (AP).—Seven hundred persons died in New York City from poison liquor last year, J. W. Quinn, chief chemist of the bureau of internal revenue said today in issuing a warrant against drink bootleg whiskey.

PARMA, Italy, Aug. 2 (AP).—Three persons were killed and three others injured when a passenger airplane bound from Montefalco to Spezia crashed at Borgo, near here today while trying to make a forced landing.

SAN JUAN, Aug. 2 (AP).—With communication generally restored and with all sections of the islands not yet having been heard from, the police report that a total of seven persons were killed in last week's storm.

PAENZA, Italy, Aug. 2 (AP).—A violent earthquake lasting three hours, the center estimated to be nine thousand kilometers (5,592 miles) away, was recorded on the seismograph at Professor Raphael Rendani's observatory here today.

SPOKANE, Aug. 2 (AP).—Forest fires in Stevens county, Washington, were blazing over upwards of 125,000 acres today. It was estimated after yesterday's winds had scattered flames in all directions. One fire, between Black Lake and the Little Pend Oreille lakes, was advancing along a front of 15 to 20 miles.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 (AP).—France today paid \$10,000,000 to the United States as interest on its war supplies debt. The payment was made in cash.

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 2 (AP).—Return of Charles Poma to Massachusetts to serve a theft sentence of from seven to ten years was ordered today by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.

Lady Astor
In U.S. For
Month Visit

First Woman Member of Parliament Discusses Problems of the Day with Americans.

BOSTON, Aug. 2 (AP).—Lady Astor, first woman member of the British parliament, arrived in Boston on the steamship Camana today with the announced intention of showing America in her four children, who accompanied her.

She was met at the dock by Charles Dana Giffon, her brother-in-law, at whose summer home at Dark Harbor, Me., she is to spend three weeks. Lady Astor said she intended to guide her children about Harvard university and the historic parts of Boston before taking the boat tonight for Rockland, Me. An older son, she said, was with Viscount Astor in California and would join them later, while her eldest son is now doing military duty and could not leave England.

Repeating that she had left politics behind her in seeking rest in Maine and Virginia, where she spent her honeymoon and childhood, Lady Astor did make a few comments on the war debts and world peace.

English criticism of America's war debts, she declared, had only been stirred up by newspapers and had been quickly suppressed as contrary to the opinion of

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GAINES TRIAL
BEGINS TODAY

State Announces It Will Ask Death Penalty—Attorneys Are Gathering Their Witnesses.

SEATTLE, Aug. 2 (AP).—After an affidavit of accomplices was filed against Judge Austin E. Griffiths, in King county superior court here today, trial of Wallace Cloyes Gaines for the death of Sylvia Howard Gaines, his daughter, opened before Judge Robert M. Jones. Of a special venire of 115 summoned to hear the evidence, 55 qualified for service. Fifty-six had been excused before court opened and 45 more offered to Judge Griffiths reasons why they should not serve. Griffiths passed on these excuses when the affidavit against him was presented.

SEATTLE, Aug. 2 (AP).—As opposing attorneys marshaled their forces here this morning at the opening of the trial of Wallace Gaines, accused of murdering his 22-year-old daughter, Sylvia, it was announced by the state that the death penalty will be asked.

The series of events which led up to the trial have evoked more discussion here than any one murder in the history of Seattle. Miss Gaines came to Seattle last September after being graduated from Smith college, Northampton, Mass.

June 16, after a quarrel with her father, she left home ostensibly for a walk around Green lake, in this city. On the morning of the 17th, two laborers on their way to work discovered her dead body, with her head crushed, lying in a grove on the edge of the lake.

When cross examined before the coroner's inquest, June 28, Gaines gave partly contradictory testimony as to his movements the night his daughter was killed. "Late 8. May, private detective, reported on the 29th that blood stains had been found on Gaines' clothing. Gaines was charged with first degree murder that day.

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE
DETROIT (AP)—E. H. E. Philadelphia 9 3 4
Pittsburgh 6 3 4
Hartford; Ebbets and Coghlan; Gibson and Bussler.
CLEVELAND (AP)—Boston-Cleveland postponed, rain. Double-header tomorrow.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
BROOKLYN (AP)—E. H. E. Chicago 5 11 1
Hartford; Blane, Minton, Perry and Gonzalez; McGraw, Ebbets and Hartraves.
NEW YORK (AP)—E. H. E. St. Louis 4 8 9
Batteries: Keene, Herdel and O'Farrell; King, Davis, Scott and Florence; McMullen.

BOSTON, (AP)—Cincinnati-Boston postponed, rain.

AIMEE CASE
OFF AGAIN,
KEYES SAYS

Los Angeles District Attorney Abandons Investigation Today

WILL EXPLAIN TO GRAND JURY

Deputy Ryan Not Satisfied—Hints He Is Not Finished; Angelus Temple Joyful.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 2 (AP).—The official investigation of the Aimee Semple McPherson kidnapping case was off again today as the result of District Attorney Aimee Semple McPherson's decision to abandon the inquiry. The district attorney's office has officially opened and then dropped its investigation of the strange disappearance case a half dozen times since the evangelist was reported missing on May 18.

Keyes announced that he considered the evidence recently obtained at Carmel and Monterey by his aid, Deputy District Attorney Keyes Ryan, "absolutely too vague to successfully prosecute anyone on a perjury charge," and "to convict any one on a perjury charge would cost Los Angeles county thousands of dollars."

Temple Celebrates

While the news of Keyes' latest move was the occasion for a celebration last night at Angelus Temple, it was not so cheerfully accepted in other quarters.

At his home last night, Ryan, who has been working on the case as the representative for the district attorney, indicated that he would have something further to say.

Ryan had night told newspapermen that he had been instructed by Keyes to take a break, say. This cryptic demand, was given to him by Keyes last Thursday, he said.

Ryan also disclosed the fact that he had heard the additional evidence since making his investigation at Carmel. As the result of his discovery a subpoena was issued on a telegraphic company of a telegram filed at Oakland on Monday May 25 he revealed. The message was written in handwriting "remarkably identical with that of Orinism. The wire signed 'Walter' and addressed to 'George McPherson' at the Carmel bungalow road. 'Leave express tonight'."

Ryan added that Keyes was informed of the new evidence last Thursday immediately ordered the grand jury to re-open its inquiry.

Keyes to Explain
He way of explanation, Keyes yesterday said that he based his decision to drop the grand jury perjury investigation on the failure of the police to identify fingerprints found at Carmel. The prosecutor added that he would go before the grand jury tomorrow and explain his attitude.

Detective Chief Herman Cline, who has been working on the case in conjunction with Ryan, had night announced that as far as the police department is concerned the case is closed, unless evidence is

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PANHANDLE FIRE,
WHIPPED BY WIND,
OUT OF CONTROL

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 2 (AP).—High winds during the night caused the major forest fire in the Panhandle of Idaho to run wild. It was reported by the officials of the Pend Oreille Timber Protective association and the Pend Oreille national forest today.

A fire near Seattle early today entered a track of 1,540 acres of virgin timber and one near Eastonville, Wash., south of Tacoma, threatened logging property and timber. Three hundred men fought the latter blaze.

Fifty men were sent to lighting work in the Mount Baker national forest today to fight a forest fire which had crossed the Skagit river at that point. The fire was reported in second growth timber today.

Father and Daughter
Join in Suicide Pact

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 2 (AP).—William Dake, 41, and his daughter Lillian, 17, are at the hospital here in a serious condition after inhaling gas at their home yesterday. Police declared their act was an attempted suicide pact because their wife and mother had left home several days ago to institute divorce proceedings. They were found unconscious in each others arms by a son, Arthur Dake.

Bellhop?



Many now famous men started life as bellhops. It's been discovered in the Pacific Northwest since Judge Howard M. Findley started an ex-bellhop's club at Seattle. Members include a supreme court judge and several heads of million dollar concerns. Here's Judge Findley in the regalia of the order.

Churchmen Pray

While the marchers passed the palace, where President Calles surrounded by his ministers, Wood waving his handkerchief in answer to the cheering members of the faithful were kneeling in prayer in various churches. Leaving the situation of the situation brought about by the government putting into force its new religious regulations.

All the Catholic churches without priests on the altar, were open for prayer and meditation except the great cathedral and several of the downtown places of worship, past which the parade made its way. The door of the cathedral was closed in the fear that some untoward event might occur.

Truce Suggested
The expression of willingness to arrange a truce with the government was made exclusively to the Associated Press by the episcopate. It was suggested that it should run for a reasonable length of time to give the people a chance to vote on the situation. Meanwhile, the episcopate would have the new religious regulations and the "anti-religious persecutions" suspended.

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Accuse Man of Making
Wife Pull Heavy Wagon

KANSAS CITY, Kans., Aug. 2 (AP).—William White, 46, a potato digger, was in the county jail here today, after a special deputy sheriff reported that White had hatched his wife to a wagon and attempted to force her to draw it after one of his horses had become ill.

White denied the charge and said he had unhitched the ailing horse and let his wife lead it. White was arrested last night and charged with drunkenness, beating his wife, beating his horses, disturbing the peace, and possessing intoxicating liquor.

Science To Determine Whether
Continents Have Been Drifting

EDITOR'S NOTE: Has the American continent been taking a 2000-mile ride? Are New York and London getting nearer, or farther apart? Read this article by a famous American scientist on how science will test this startling theory.

(By Dr. William Bowie)
Chief, Division of Geodesy, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey

An army of scientists from important countries are preparing to scatter over the world and try to determine whether the continents of the world are drifting—in other words, whether New York is getting closer or farther from London.

It is the theory of Prof. Alfred Wegener, German geo-physicist, that the world once was a single huge land mass that it broke up and very slowly drifted apart into the continents that exist today, and that there are drifting like a huge crust of rock over a tarry or plastic bed. His theory, if it can be proved, will account for

CATHOLICS
ASK TRUCE
IN MEXICO

Plebiscite on Religious Controversy Proposed by Churchmen

PLOT TO MURDER CALLES CHECKED

Thousands Pray for An Amicable Settlement of Difficulties; Some Violence Reported.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 2 (AP).—An announcement that the Catholic episcopate is willing to enter upon a truce with the Mexican government until the Mexican people are able to express themselves by plebiscite on the religious controversy and the discovery of a plot to assassinate President Calles were outstanding features of Mexico's first priestless Sunday.

Notwithstanding the great parade of the regional confederation of labor which required two hours to pass was a given point of the day was as peaceful a one as the capital ever has known.

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PEARL McSHERRY,
ACTRESS, KILLED
IN NEW JERSEY

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Aug. 2 (AP).—Burlington county authorities were searching for a motive for the killing of Pearl McSherry, 28, an actress, in a summer cottage at Browns Mills, near here, last night.

Betty Queen is in the county jail here, charged with firing the shot, and Dorine O'Connor is held as a material witness. They also are said to be actresses from New York, who rented the cottage.

Police information is that Miss McSherry was killed in a tussle for a shotgun.

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