

Local News In Brief

Goes to Pendleton.—Karl L. Close left this morning for Pendleton on a business trip.

In The Dailies.—Mrs. Hannah Nelson left this morning for The Dalles where she will spend Christmas with her son, J. Nelson, who was formerly a railroader here.

Home for Christmas.—Francis Corliss is visiting over Christmas with his family at Fruitdale. He will return to the U. S. veterans hospital in Walla Walla, where he is a patient, about Jan. 1.

Home From College.—Miss Marjorie Kirby is home from Oregon State college, where she is a student, for the Christmas holidays. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Kirby.

Home From O. S. C.—Miss Frieda Klopferstein arrived home yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Klopferstein. Miss Klopferstein is attending school at O. S. C.

Baby Boy Born.—Mr. and Mrs. John C. Camp, who make their home at 1419 Jackson avenue, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born at the Grande Ronde hospital Tuesday, Dec. 20.

Visiting Here.—Mrs. W. P. White, of Rialto, arrived here this morning for a day's visit with Mrs. John R. Turner of this city. Mrs. White is the wife of the agent at Rialto.

Goes to North Powder.—Mrs. Clinton McConnell left this morning for North Powder where she will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson. Mr. McConnell will join her at North Powder Christmas.

Former City Manager Here.—George Garrett, former city manager of La Grande, was in this city Tuesday on his way back to Portland. Mr. Garrett left Oregon for Ohio in the fall but was called back to Medford by business matters.

Expected From Astoria.—Miss Hazel Deal was expected to pass through here today on her way from Astoria to Boise for the holidays. Miss Deal left La Grande last year with her mother for Boise. Later she moved to Astoria.

Here for Golden Wedding.—Mrs. W. P. Anderson, of Portland, arrived here this morning to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Warren, and to join in celebrating their golden wedding anniversary on Christmas eve.

Returns to Walla Walla.—Miss Anna Allen, of Walla Walla, left for home this morning after visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hacey, her aunt and uncle. Miss Allen is attending school at Link's Business college in Boise and stopped here on her way home.

Going to Evanston.—Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bowen enjoyed a short visit at the depot this morning with her brother, E. J. Cashin, and son and daughter, Mercedes and Edward, who passed through here on their way to Evanston, Wyo., for the holidays. Their home is in Salt Lake City.

To Attend Anniversary.—Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Duggett, of Corning, Ia., were in La Grande today on their way to Joseph where they are going to participate in the celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of their uncle and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Duggett, "Yes, we came to Oregon just to be with aunt and uncle on this wonderful occasion," said Mrs. Duggett at the depot this morning.

Be Home For Christmas.—Dr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Hill are expected tomorrow from Chicago for a Christmas visit with Dr. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill. "Tommy," as he is familiarly known to his host of home town friends, has just been graduated from the Rush Medical college in Chicago, having received his M. D. at the convocation held Tuesday morning, Dec. 20. Previous to his course at Rush Medical college Mr. Hill completed his pre-medical course at Chicago university, having received his B. S. degree from that institution. His first two years of pre-medical were taken at the University of Oregon.

ALLEGED KIDNAPER OF MARIAN PARKER IN PENDLETON JAIL

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with rejoicing to passersby they had never seen before, indicating how the tragedy had brought a common interest even to San Francisco which is regarded as biased.

PENDLETON, Dec. 22. (AP)—Sheriff T. C. McKinnon and Deputy Charles Hoekins, who left Pendleton for the west on the highway patrol a few minutes before Gurdane and Lidenall departed, missed Hickman by a matter of a few minutes. Another Hudson car, similar to the one driven by Hickman, took them from the chase for the fugitive and crashed Gurdane and Lidenall to pick Hickman up a few miles east of Echo, which is 20 miles west of Pendleton on the Old Oregon trail. The crowd about the city jail is more curious than governed by any malice toward the prisoner.

PENDLETON, Dec. 22. (AP)—The following confession of William Edward Hickman was made to Parker, Dr. J. M. Parker, editor of the Pendleton East Oregonian this afternoon.

"Question—Where is your partner?"

"He said for me to meet him at the Harris hotel in San Francisco Sunday, but he was not there, so Tuesday morning I saw they had my name so I got real scared then and I planned to get away myself. I thought I would get away north because they were searching in San Francisco and I had read about it in the paper and there was nothing I could do. After I saw him in Los Angeles according to our appointment I said 'where is the girl?' and he just kind of grinned and I said 'where?'

"When the father met me by appointment he spoke and said 'I want to see my daughter' and I said 'she is here' and I told him she was asleep and I told him to give me the money. I had had trouble with her and then he gave me the money right there and I told him I would drive up there a little way and let her out and I drove out a little way."

Question: "Who was it cut her up that way?"

"This fellow named Andrew Cramer his part was—I ran away from home and I was in California and had been working in the First National bank and forged some checks and got paroled and went back to Kansas City with my mother and I wanted to go back again so then—so I got this coupe in Kansas City which belonged to Dr. Mantz, I think was the doctor and I got out here. At first I did not come direct out here I went to Chicago before I came here and I rented that apartment in Los Angeles at the Bellevue Arms I think it was on Nov. 23 or just before Thanksgiving and on Thanksgiving I went down to San Diego and when I came back the next day I picked this man and a lady up. He said his name was Andrew Cramer, and the lady's name was June Dunning. I think that was it. I was by myself. I didn't know any one here. I was making my living by holdups and I thought if I could get acquainted with some older man we could work to better advantage and it wouldn't be as much risk and could probably get away with holdups easier."

PENDLETON, Dec. 22. (AP)—Hickman, when lodged in the city jail, tonight hysterically at accusations that he was the hunted murderer, but later broke down and confessed his identity. He was given a change of clothing by the officers.

LOCAL OFFICERS OUT.—After spending the morning between Sunset Inn and La Grande, Sheriff Jesse Brecheers and Deputy Hugo Klinghammer, following receipt of a telegram that William E. Hickman, alleged Los Angeles slayer-kidnaper, was headed toward Eastern Oregon, established a patrol on the Old Oregon Trail highway early this afternoon and are keeping all cars for examination and determination of the identity of the occupants.

A rumor that Hickman was seen and passed a check at Meacham this morning was proved erroneous upon the arrival at Meacham of the county officers, accompanied by Police Chief Clint Haynes. Officers explained that it would be physically impossible for Hickman to reach Meacham this morning because he was definitely identified near Portland at 6:20 a. m. and that he would take at the very least, six hours for a car to reach this part of the state from that time.

Matilda county officers patrolled the Columbia River highway between Pendleton and The Dalles, stopping all cars and the Pendleton police force is guarding Pendleton and the Oregon-Washington highway at its entrance into Pendleton.

Telegram Received.—The following telegram was received by Thomas Rooney, O-W agent, and given to the police and sheriff's office early this afternoon: "Be on the lookout for Edward Hickman wanted in Los Angeles for murder. He is supposed to have left Portland early this morning in a light green Hudson sedan going east. He passed one of the bills in Seattle yesterday and another in Kent at 11 o'clock last night. The car was licensed California 135031. Engine No. 460. He may have Washington license on car now as some plates were stolen in Kent. He has a .45 caliber automatic Colt which he keeps nearby. Give this information to all peace officers and have them check on all cars passing through, advising merchants to be on lookout for bills Hickman is known to have. The number of which are in the newspapers (Signed) E. B. Wood, Portland."

The bill passed in Seattle last night was numbered K-68016970.

and all of the bills are in the same serial group.

SEATTLE, Dec. 22. (AP)—After checking all the agencies of law for nearly a week, William Edward Hickman, reputed Los Angeles kidnaper-slayer, has appeared here long enough to purchase some clothing, police were certain today as they redoubled their efforts to effect his capture.

The clothing, a pair of heavy black gloves and a suit of underwear—was purchased in a Seattle store last night with one of the 29 federal gold certificates paid to the abductor by Perry M. Parker, Los Angeles bank official and father of 12-year-old Marian whose mutilated body was returned to him.

George V. Willoughby, proprietor of the clothing store in which the clothing was bought was positive that the purchaser was Hickman.

Northwest Searching.—This morning nearly 12 hours after Hickman's supposed appearance here, the combined police forces of a dozen Pacific Northwest cities had been unable to lay hands on the asserted fiend, although there was under way a man hunt almost unparalleled in this section.

There appeared the probability that the "Fox" had again outwitted the law. In the belief that the fugitive had slipped through the police cordon that was thrown around Seattle, efforts to apprehend him were concentrated at points north of this city to the Canadian boundary. Immigration and customs officials along the border were under explicit instructions to leave nothing undone in their patrol of the international line.

Hickman's reported visit to Seattle last night indicated that he fled Los Angeles even before police there became convinced last Tuesday that he was the man who kidnaped Marian Parker, brutally slain her, mutilated her body, and then returned her to her distracted father in return for \$1500 ransom money.

Bill Identified.—One of the 29 gold certificates which were paid by Parker to the abductor is now in possession of police here. It was given to the police here after it had been received by Willoughby, the haberdasher, in payment for the clothing.

"The man was small, dark and nervous," Willoughby said in describing the man who entered his store about 8:50 last night.

"I was alone in the store," Willoughby related. "Almost instantly I recognized the customer from newspaper photographs as the Los Angeles killer. He asked for a pair of black gloves and a suit of underwear. I gave them to him and he drew on the gloves and ordered the underwear wrapped up. He then produced the 29 gold certificate. I placed it in the cash register, made the change and the man went out."

"The haberdasher, as soon as his customer had gone, took the currency from the cash register and called police headquarters, where

he was told that bill—serial number K-68016970—was one of the notes received by the Los Angeles kidnaper from Parker.

Identifies Picture.—At police headquarters later Willoughby was said to have positively identified pictures of Hickman as being those of the customer.

The entire police force of the city was immediately mobilized to emergency strength, started a search of downtown card rooms, apartments, hotels and rooming houses, while deputy sheriffs and state highway patrolmen guarded the highways leading from the city.

But to no avail. This morning the search had been admittedly futile and the officials directing it believed that Hickman was headed for the Canadian border.

There existed no doubt in the minds of Seattle police officials that the man seen in Seattle was the Los Angeles fugitive whose whereabouts have baffled the police of the Pacific coast since he reportedly returned the little Parker girl's body to her father last Saturday night.

Chief of Detectives Cline of Los Angeles is also positive, he told Seattle officials by telephone, that the Seattle suspect is Hickman. Cline has made preparations to leave the California city by airplane for Seattle to aid in the search here.

"Your man is the one we want," Cline told Captain William Kent, of the Seattle police department, over the phone last night. "Please spare no expense in searching for him."

Captain Kent, who was in active charge of the man hunt here today, declared he was certain that Hickman will be caught by night fall.

The story of two Portland boys

James Wilson and Irwin Mowley that they had ridden from Tacoma, Calif., to Portland in a large green sedan driven by a person resembling Hickman was given some credence by police here.

The boys reported to Portland police last night that the man with whom they had ridden seemed nervous and was armed. When the car reached the Oregon line, the driver put the machine in a side road until dark, they said. They understood the man was headed for Seattle.

RECOGNIZED IN EUGENE.—EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 22. (AP)—William Edward Hickman, of Los Angeles, sought for the murder of 12-year-old Marian Parker, was seen in Eugene by Mrs. Thomas Wiley, wife of a local chiropractor, on Monday but not recognized until Mrs. Wiley later saw a photograph of him published in a newspaper.

Eight turkey sandwiches to take with him and a quarter were given by Mrs. Wiley to the stout looking and well dressed youth who was supposedly "out of a job" and hungry. He put in a quarter of a cord of wood for her, being very careful of his hands, and wearing gloves to do so. He thanked her politely and walked down Lawrence street.

Having read of the murder, Mrs. Wiley momentarily thought it strange that a well dressed young man should stand at her door, but dismissed the idea. The following day she saw a published likeness of him in a newspaper, and rushed to her husband saying:

"I believe this is the man I fed."

Dr. Wiley looked her about it saying: "It couldn't have been. He's way down in Los Angeles."

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CRIPPLE CAPTURED

BURNSWICK, Me., Dec. 22. (AP)—Raymond Pett, 25-year-old insane cripple, who shot and wounded his father and mother here last night was captured today but not after he had killed Mrs. M. E. White, 78, in her home at Topsham, and had been critically wounded by officers.

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