

## Local News In Brief

**Goes to Pendleton**—Mrs. Ethel Welch, who is attending high school here, left this morning for her home in Pendleton to spend the holidays.

**Nephew Here**—Clark Kerton arrived here this morning from Boise to spend Christmas here with his aunt, Mrs. G. A. Barrett.

**Here From Baker**—Mrs. William Baird of Baker, stopped here this morning on her way to Elgin to spend the holidays with her son, Thomas Baird.

**Here From Baker**—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Emling arrived here this morning from Baker and will visit for a short time at the J. E. Conklin home.

**Expected Home Tomorrow**—Mrs. Myrtle Giest is expected home tomorrow from Portland, where she has been in the Portland Medical hospital for the past six weeks.

**Go to Myrtle Point**—Mrs. R. W. Peter and daughter, Dorothy, left this morning for Myrtle Point, Ore., where they will spend the holidays. They will visit with Mrs. Peter's mother.

**Home From Washington**—Sheldon and Wesley Brownson arrived home last night by car from the University of Washington in Seattle. They will spend the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Brownson.

**Passed Through Here**—A. A. Roberts, one time Pendleton chief of police, and widely known in this community as well as in Pendleton, passed through here this morning on his way home to Portland from a business trip.

**Visiting at Imbler**—Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Thatcher, and baby, of Huntington, passed through here this morning on their way to Imbler where they will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McInnis, during the holidays.

**Here for Christmas**—Mr. and Mrs. John Daniels and son, Norman, will arrive in La Grande tomorrow to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Daniels' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris, and other relatives and friends. There home is in Portland.

**Wisconsin Visitors Arrive**—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kinzel arrived here this morning from Merrill, Wis., to spend Christmas at the homes of their son, L. K. Kinzel, and their daughter, Mrs. Fred Langer. Mrs. Kinzel is a sister of A. J. Stange, with whom they will also visit.

**Move Into New Home**—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Meyers have moved into their new, modern English home which overlooks the city from the hill at Washington and Walnut. Architect for the home was E. T. Pope of Portland, and supervising architect Charles Miller, of La Grande. The home is considered one of the most beautiful and modern in La Grande.

**Returns to Portland**—Mrs. W. A. Thompson returned this morning to her home in Portland after spending several months here with her husband who is employed as a carpenter on the Saco-Java line. They made their home at the Golden Apartments on Cedar street. Mr. Thompson is a brother of Logan Thompson, of this city, who lives at 752 Crook street.

**Goes to Baker**—Mrs. Everett Walker, with her two children, left this morning for Baker to spend the holidays there.

**Here From Spokane**—Miss Edna Paden, organist at the Star theater, has as her guest during Christmas her sister, Miss Marjorie Paden, of Spokane, who arrived here this morning.

**To Visit at Enterprise**—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Long, passed through here today on their way to Enterprise, for the holidays. They are from Alberta, Can., and will visit relatives at Enterprise.

**Go to Portland**—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sevier and children, Kent, Allen, Marjorie, and Marian, of Wallowa, drove to La Grande this morning, leaving later by train for Portland where they will spend Christmas.

**Home From Linfield**—Merlin Mayger returned home this morning on train No. 24 to spend the holidays. He is attending college at Linfield, Ore. Mr. Mayger is the son of Mrs. Bert W. Carr, of this city.

**Miss Pearson Home**—Miss Deloris Pearson arrived in La Grande this morning to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Pearson. She is teaching in the Heppner High school.

**Dr. Dutton at La Grande**—Dr. Paul Dutton and Dr. Floyd Dutton, of Portland and Washington, are at the La Grande hotel on their way to Boise for the holidays. Both are dentists. Their father, Dr. Dutton, of Caldwell, is also a dentist.

**Correction**—L. Smith, proprietor of the meat market at Pendleton, has not closed down his business as reported in yesterday's Observer. Mr. Smith has no intention of closing down, he says.

**Expected From Portland**—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sturgill are expected here today from Portland where they have been for some time. Mrs. Sturgill has been in St. Vincent's hospital for three weeks but is understood to be considerably improved. Mr. Sturgill is of the Sturgill Brothers Construction company.

**Former Observer Man Here**—Leslie Bennett now of Carmen, Manitoba, but formerly of La Grande, and young son, Donald, will arrive here tomorrow to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Evelyn Bennett, and other relatives and friends. Mr. Bennett made his home here around seven years ago when he was employed by the Observer. He now publishes a paper at Carmen. Mr. Bennett and his son will be here around two weeks. Mr. Bennett is a brother of Stuart Bennett, of Enterprise.

**Leave for California**—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Perrius, of South Bend, Ind., and their niece and nephew, Lorena and Eugene Palmer, of La Grande, left this morning for Portland by train. Mr. and Mrs. Perrius have been visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. Otis Palmer since last Monday and are now on their way to Portland for the Christmas holidays. From Portland they will go on to California for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Palmer left this morning by car for Portland and will join Mr. and Mrs. Perrius there with Mrs. Palmer's and Mrs. Perrius' mother. Mrs. Perrius made her home here about eight years ago when she was a milliner here.

**Visiting at Mackay**—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mackay have as their guests during the holiday season, Mrs. R. D. Busser, of Klamath Falls, and Mrs. F. H. Busser, of Albany. The latter couple arrived here this morning and will return with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Busser after Christmas. The Mackay home is at 2013 First street.

**Visiting From Hollywood**—Vera Fuller arrived here day before yesterday from Hollywood, Cal., to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. L. H. Winn, and her little daughter, Betty Lee Fuller, at Hot Lake. Mrs. Fuller, nee Vera Winn, is known in La Grande having attended school here. She has made her home in Hollywood for the past two years.

**Home From Portland**—Miss Marjorie Warnick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Warnick, of this city, arrived home this morning to spend the holidays. Miss Warnick, who has been employed in Portland for the past year by the house of Frank Childs, interior decorators, has not been in La Grande since last Christmas. She graduated from the high school here in 1926 and has been studying art since that time.

**Miss Meyers Successful Director**—In an article which appeared recently in the Port Townsend Leader, Miss Dorothy Meyers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Meyers of this city, won praise for her direction of the high school production, "The Charm School." Miss Meyers accepted a position as a member of the high school faculty at Port Townsend this fall. Following are excerpts from the story: "Miss Meyers, the dramatic coach, has received many compliments on the manner in which the young people presented their roles. While this is her first local play, it has been most acceptably received. Many persons who have seen the play staged by larger schools and colleges stated that the local production compared most favorably with those given in larger institutions of learning. Miss Meyers who comes from the Northwestern University, heads the English department."

### RECREATION

#### HALL NEARS COMPLETION

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ers on the main floor and a large balcony. It will be possible to handle a crowd of 2000 without difficulty. It is believed, which is more than twice the capacity of the high school gymnasium. The downstairs bleachers will not be in by next Thursday night, but benches will be installed to seat the guests. The floor is being sanded and put in shape now and looks good. The gym will be heated from the tubercule furnace which will be connected up before the opening night.

### GOLDEN WEDDING TO BE HELD ON CHRISTMAS EVE

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informally with their friends and family. They are both in good health and active. They often take motor trips at some distance and last year Mr. Warren drove to Portland and other Western Oregon and Washington cities accompanied by his wife. Both Mr. and Mrs. Warren joked and laughed this morning with the happiness of youth in anticipation of this occasion, rare and joyous.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS OBSERVE HOLIDAY WITH PROGRAMS

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puerant, which is under the direction of Miss Mildred Hoyt. The service will begin at 7:30 o'clock and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to meet with the school members and their parents. There will be a treat for the children of the Sunday school. The stage has been prettily decorated for the occasion with evergreen trees and other symbols of Christmas.

**Methodist Program**—The Sunday school of the First Methodist Episcopal church will have its annual Christmas program Christmas morning during the regular Sunday school hour from 10 until 11 o'clock, and the First Baptist and English Lutheran churches will have their Christmas programs for the children on Sunday evening. At the Lutheran church the program will begin at 7 o'clock and at the Baptist church at 7:30.

### CRAMER IN JAIL SINCE AUGUST

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morning informed the Los Angeles detective bureau that a woman known as June Dunning and also as Mrs. Jeanne Farrell had been reported to them as living in Los Angeles last July and in November and had been registered at the Merchants hotel, San Diego. Hickman told Pendleton, Ore., police that he had been in San Diego Thanksgiving day.

Cramer, told detectives that among his acquaintances was a woman known as June Dunning, who also was named by Hickman in his confession to police at Pendleton, Ore. Cramer's brother, Frank Cramer, is a prisoner at the county jail.

### Here From Canada



(NEA Service, Washington Bureau)

On a state visit to Washington have come Viscount Willingdon, governor general of Canada, and Lady Willingdon, who are pictured here upon their arrival.

Arrested a term for robbery. Andrew Cramer was sentenced for bootlegging.

Andrew Cramer said that his brother had "kept company" with Rose Hurst alias Rose Cramer, whose true name was said to be Rose Dunning and who has a sister June Dunning. Both women operate rooming houses, Cramer said. Police were ordered to bring both women to headquarters for questioning.

"I know Hickman," Andrew Cramer told detectives. "I don't know why he phoned me. Of course it is impossible for me to have been in on that killing. It's too ridiculous to talk about. I've been right here all the time."



A handmade silver and green stone bracelet plays a winning card on Lady's wrist. Other jewels are available for those who doubt in the emerald's luck.

### Five Blackens California Hills



This remarkable picture, taken at 2 o'clock in the morning, shows a three-mile front ablaze on the ridge of the Verdugo mountains in southern California, where fires recently destroyed more than 100 homes and denuded thousands of acres of forest land. Notice the foggy appearance of the moon, caused by the great clouds of smoke.

### Buck And Tom Typify New And Old Officialdom

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 23. (AP)—Tom Gurdane, grizzled chief of Pendleton's police force who aided in the capture of William Edward Hickman, doesn't want any reward money except that offered by the city of Los Angeles, banks and other organizations.

"I don't want the money of individuals," he rumbled, "not the money of kids or women. But I see no reason why I shouldn't take that which was offered by the Los Angeles banks and some of the organizations. That is legitimate reward money, legitimately earned."

And Buck Llewellyn, state traffic officer who with Gurdane captured the notorious fugitive, nodded vigorously assent.

Gurdane and Llewellyn typify the old and new of uniformed officialdom. Big, both of them, and heavy. Gurdane has two score years western police and frontier experience behind him. Llewellyn has the war—years of it—and five years work in the state traffic department.

Both officers will leave in a day or two for Los Angeles, invited there by the California city police. They will probably spend a week there, and present indications are that they will have two dozen or more offers of theatrical engagements.

Everywhere the officers go they are enthusiastically greeted by their friends.

There was only one flaw in the whole case for them, and that dealt with the reported announcement that they first learned of Hickman's approach from the law enforcement agency of another city. "That agency never co-operated with us," Llewellyn remarked. "We heard of Hickman's approach from The Associated Press."

### ARTICLES FILED

SALZEM, Ore., Dec. 23. (AP)—Articles of incorporation filed with the state corporation department by the Linn county logging and lumber railroad has followed immediately what is tantamount to a concession by the state highway department of right of way privileges for a strategic point near Sweet Home. This concession, still to be approved by the highway commission, is to H. A. Bikes, an engineer who on behalf of his clients, deposited a \$10,000 good faith check with the highway department this week.

### START SOUTH SOON WITH W. S. HICKMAN

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plaudible flares in the world," said the police detective who handled the case.

Hickman's own story is held to be sufficient to ask the death penalty in case of conviction. The California law provides that when two or more persons enter into an unlawful act, resulting in the death of another person, each is equally guilty of murder.

Within an hour and two minutes last night the county grand jury indicted Hickman on charges of murder and kidnapping with intent to extort money. He was ordered

held without bail and the indictment and other papers necessary for an extradition request were despatched to Sacramento.

**Officers Head North**—Representatives both of the police department and the district attorney's office left for Oregon to speed the return of Hickman to face trial. The police officers intended to subject the accused man to a cross examination which they predicted would break down some parts of his first statement.

They regarded as significant that in the confession made by Hickman in Pendleton, the accused slayer, while declaring that he planned the kidnapping with "Cramer," said he had no knowledge of where his accomplice lived and at no time knew how to get in touch with him except by means of pre-arranged meetings.

**Los Angeles Skeptical**—The Los Angeles investigators also were skeptical of that part of the confession in which Hickman declared that Cramer, whom he accused of being the actual slayer of the girl, was to get only \$100 or \$200 for his part in the affair. The fact that \$100 of the \$1500 ransom money was on Hickman's person and an additional \$50 had been accounted for as spent by Hickman was said to show he had shared the money with no one.

A point named by Los Angeles officers as a "hole" in the confession of Hickman is his reported statement that he first considered kidnapping the daughter of "Mr. Hayes, chief teller of the First National bank." Harry Hovis is chief teller of the First bank. But he has no children.

The police believe that Hickman threw the Hovis angle into his confession to attempt to improve the revenge motive which the officers have held was at the root of the kidnapping and slaying. The child's father in his official capacity at the bank having protested the probation of Hickman at the time the youth pleaded guilty to felony last summer.

**Many Eye Reward**—The huge reward—amounting in cash and pledged subscriptions to more than \$20,000—today was eyed hungrily and expectantly by many of the persons who had a part in the pursuit and capture of the accused, "Fox."

The cash paid into the fund totaled \$67,925, while there was pledged \$25,300 additional, at least some of this reward cannot be paid until the conviction of the slayer of Marian Parker, whoever he may prove to be. Some of the donors favor paying the greater part of the reward to the Oregon officers who made the capture, with a small part going to the Seattle clothes, whose report of the payment to him of one of the \$20 gold certificates of the ransom money opened the chase in the northwest. There were numerous advocates of paying a part of the huge reward to the Los Angeles police finger print expert who identified Hickman as the kidnaper.

### HICKMAN TELLS OF LOVE

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 23. (AP)—A picture of driving through the streets of Los Angeles, with newsboys crying extras about the kidnapping while he had with him in his car Marian Parker, 12, who later was slain and dismembered, was given by William Edward Hickman in an interview in the jail here today.

"We were driving out in Hollywood Friday night when my car was stopped by a traffic light. Marian was beside me, and the newsboys waved their papers close beside us. Marian seemed to be amused by this.

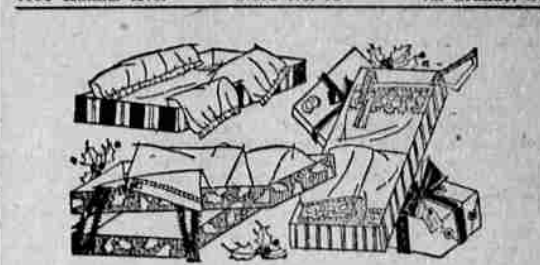
"We got along very well together. It was not my intention that she should be harmed. In fact I loved her. I still love her."

Hickman was quizzed about an apparent inconsistency in his confession of yesterday in which he stated that he and his confederate first planned to kidnap the little daughter of Mr. Havis, chief teller of the bank at which Hickman had been employed. Reminded that Havis had no such child, Hickman had a ready reply.

"I saw a woman calling on Mr. Havis at the bank and she had with her a little girl. I supposed that this girl was his child. To prove that I was planning this kidnapping I will say that on the Monday night before I took Marian from school I went out to Mr. Havis's house in Pasadena and waited there in my car to look over the ground. Mr. Havis came to the house where I was there and he can confirm that he saw my car there that night. I heard a child's voice in the house. We decided not to take this child because we believed her too young. I was afraid she would die of fright."

Asked if he had admitted that Marian was poisoned before she was put to death, he denied this. "No, I never said that," Hickman replied. "The only reference

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I made to poison or anesthetize was in telling of the drug store holdups which were committed before the kidnapping. She was not poisoned."

**Believes Youth Inmate**—It was reported today that a prominent Pendleton physician had spent an hour observing Hickman late yesterday, and that he expressed the opinion that the youth is insane. The identity of the physician was not divulged. Bewildered by numerous newspaper men and residents of Pendleton for opportunity to interview and see the prisoner, Chief of Police Gurdane was obliged to yield from his earlier announced plan not to let the prisoner be disturbed. Hickman was ever ready to answer questions that were put by his callers. Much of the information he gave today was repetition of statements he had made in a detailed confession which he gave yesterday following his arrest.

Chief Gurdane was advised that Los Angeles officials had departed from that city last night en route to Pendleton, but he had no further word as to when they would arrive here. He said Hickman would be kept in jail here until the Los Angeles officers arrived and that when Hickman left he and Cecil (Buck) Llewellyn, fellow captor of Hickman, would go along. He said he would take an attorney along in order that he might have advice in any question that might arise in connection with the reward of \$100,000.

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