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FRED KIDDLE WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

State Senator Announces Decision Late Yesterday in Wire to Peare

CLEARS PATH FOR OTHER ASPIRANTS

Daniel Boyd, Roy Ritner, R. R. Butler and Others Mentioned as Possible G. O. P. Choice.

George T. Cochran, local attorney, said this afternoon in answer to an inquiry by an Observer reporter, that he is considering becoming a candidate for congress to succeed N. J. Sinnott. Mr. Cochran was a candidate once before, running Mr. Sinnott a close race in the primary election.

PENDLETON, Ore., Apr. 25 (Special)—Roy Ritner, republican, of Pendleton, today announced his candidacy to succeed N. J. Sinnott in congress from the second district. Mr. Ritner will make a statement in a few days.

THE DALLES, Ore., Apr. 25 (AP)—Definite announcement of the candidacy of R. R. Butler, of this city, to succeed N. J. Sinnott, was made at a meeting in The Dalles today, attended by some 30 of the business and professional men of the city. A "Butler-for-congress" club was organized.

State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, of Island City, will not be a candidate to succeed Congressman N. J. Sinnott, recently appointed to the U. S. court of claims.

Mr. Kiddle reached his decision in Portland yesterday afternoon and immediately wired J. H. Peare, of his decision, also making the announcement in Portland. Business reasons were said by Mr. Peare to be the major factor in Mr. Kiddle's decision.

Friends of Mr. Kiddle had already expressed the opinion that the choice to him would be between his business activities or a political career.

Other Candidates "Worried"

The Oregonian today says: "Thereupon a sigh of relief went up from the numerous other aspirants. The reason the others were worried about Kiddle was the fear that he would have the American Legion members write in his name on the primary ballot. There is no question but State Senator Kiddle was a stumbling block to the other aspirants. Although a young man, Kiddle is a member of the senate and is the primary manager of Hoover. He is active in the legion. If legionnaires should write in his name in the various posts in the districts he, very probably, would be nominated for Sinnott's place."

Daniel Boyd, of Enterprise, returned from Portland today where he was in conference. Mr. Boyd previously announced his candidacy. Friends of Mr. Boyd feel that he has an excellent chance to win the nomination and that the four most important candidates are Mr. Boyd, R. R. Butler, of The Dalles; Roy Ritner, of Pendleton; and Denton Burdick, of Redmond. It is understood that Bruce Dennis will not be a candidate. His friendship with Mr. Boyd over a period

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M. I. A. PROGRAM IS ENJOYED BY LARGE CROWD

The entertainment hall of the L. D. S. Recreational building was well filled last night with church members and friends who enjoyed an interesting program which included presentations of several events in which the ward will be represented in the annual contests to determine representatives at the Salt Lake City conference. No actual contest was held last night, as there were no competitors in any one field, thus qualifying without contest all entered. However, the groups which will represent the ward in the contest at Baker next week, gave their numbers in a very capable manner. The boys' quartet, composed of Marion Stoddard, Wilford Stoddard, Lee Moser and Robert Stoddard rang several numbers, as did the girls' chorus. The chorus is composed of 12 Gleaner girls and is being directed by Mrs. Josephine Anderson.

The major event last night was the one-act play, "The Rescue," in which the following took part: Julia, Miss Fonda Hanks; Percy, her lover, Reid Geddes; an unsuccessful suitor, Mr. Stitson, Frank Black; her mother, Mrs. Elwood Gwilliams; her father, George R. Lyman; Uncle Mose, Elwood Gwilliams; the Indian chief, Elmo Clegg; a foreign girl, Lucile McCalf; her sweetheart, Donald McCalf; a boy and girl, Ruth and Cecil Black. This will be presented, in addition to the music and public speaking events, in Baker next week.

Jubilee Will Be Staged Here On August 9, 10, 11

Mid-Season Event Meeting Held Last Night to Determine Dates — Entertainment Arranged

August 9, 10 and 11 have been set as the dates for the Home-Coming Jubilee, which will be held in La Grande, sponsored by the Union county chamber of commerce. Plans for the first mid-season event to be held here were completed last night when the executive committee, with several business men of the city, met at the city hall here for that purpose.

Arrangements were made with the Barnes-Caruthers Fair Booking association of Chicago and the Hitt Fireworks company of Seattle for entertainment during the three-day program. There will be two outdoor performances daily, afternoon and evening, including a series of special acts, which the committee in charge feels will attract not only the people of La Grande and Union county, but of the neighboring sections. Amusements which will appeal to children as well as grown people have been designed.

Much Enthusiasm

Last night's meeting was an enthusiastic one, with the chairmen of all major committees, and a majority of those of the sub-committees, present. Warren Gilbert, chairman of the entertainment committee, presided and final ac-

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Fred Lanzer Is Main Speaker At Rotary Luncheon

Fred Lanzer spoke on the relation of the lumber industry to the northwest at the Rotary club luncheon today at the La Grande hotel. He traced the history of the lumber industry and its relation to supply and demand, and the shifting of the marginal supply of lumber to the western timbered areas. He said that the lumber companies had just gone through four lean years and were well started into a fifth, but some experts prophecied a gradual change for the better with higher prices and a more stabilized market. Mr. Lanzer's talk was both interesting and instructive.

Preceding this part of the program embarrassing moments were related by S. B. Crowe and Joe Carr. W. C. Perkins, in reporting on ticket sale for the band concert, called on various Rotarians to report their sales. C. R. Seitz was high man with 126 tickets sold. Ray Murphy, chairman of the program, presided in the absence of the president and vice president.

Golf Tourney Will Be Played Here on Sunday

The first golf tournament to be played by members of the La Grande golf club will take place Sunday, April 29, and will be a handicap tournament, 18 holes of medal play. Charles H. Reynolds, chairman of the tournament committee, announced this morning. The complete schedule of tournaments for April and May has been arranged, and within the next few days the schedule for the entire season will be announced.

Sunday, May 6, the members of the La Grande club will go to Pendleton for a tournament to be played there; May 13, a qualifying round spring handicap will be played, 18 holes of medal play, and also a two-team tournament, the losers to pay for a dinner. F. L. Meyers and A. R. Bowen are the captains. May 20 Pendleton will come to La Grande, when the entire club will participate, and May 27 there will be match play against Hogby, with one-half handicaps. Prizes will be given for this tournament.

Prices will also be given for the three low scores in this Sunday's tournament. The entrance fee is 50 cents, and last year's handicaps will be used.

Tournaments are being arranged with Baker and Walla Walla to be played during the summer.

Gets 10 Days For Disorderly Conduct

Charles Roberts was found guilty of disorderly conduct and sentenced to 10 days in the city jail by Municipal Judge C. M. Humphreys last night. Bill Brown, negro, arrested on the same charge, was found not guilty. The specific charge against the two men was using profane language, the police report.

In yesterday's issue of The Observer it was stated that five persons were acquitted in municipal court. This should have read three, as complaints were not filed against Willie Anderson and G. H. Shannon, who were arrested on charges of interfering with an officer. The men were released from the charges and never came to trial.

WELL SAVES CITY FROM A DRY PERIOD

Beaver Creek Pipeline Breaks Somewhere on Its 16-Mile Route

CAUSE AND SITE ARE YET UNKNOWN

Old Town Reservoir Exhausted Yesterday Afternoon — Workmen Stand Ready for Call

The city artesian wells near the Second street viaduct are saving La Grande from a complete water famine today. If it were not for this emergency supply, the city mains would be bone dry.

Sometime during night before last a break occurred in the Beaver creek pipe line, cutting off completely the flow of water to the Old Town reservoir.

This was not discovered until the middle of yesterday afternoon when residents began complaining about the "water being shut off." City well No. 2 was started immediately after the facts were ascertained and has been supplying La Grande water users since about 4:50 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The break, which cut off the sup-

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LA GRANDE BAND PROGRAM GIVEN

Benefit Concert Will Be Held in L. D. S. Tabernacle Friday Evening

The La Grande municipal band, under the direction of Andrew Louey Jr., will play an unusually interesting program Friday evening when a concert for the benefit of purchasing new equipment for the band will be held in the Latter Day Saints' tabernacle. The band has been working hard for the past several weeks preparatory to the concert, and the program, which includes seven numbers by the band, is now completely outlined. A variety of selections have been chosen, and in addition to these several equally interesting encore numbers have been prepared.

In addition to the band numbers Ted Roy, tenor, student at the Oregon State college, will sing two groups of three numbers each; and La Grande people who heard the "Singing Blacksmith" in the O. S. C. operetta "H. M. S. Pinafore" are looking forward to his second appearance here.

Ticket Sale Good

Members of the band and of the La Grande Rotary club, which is sponsoring the concert, and members of the La Grande Neighborhood club are selling tickets for the concert, which are reported to be going rapidly.

The concert will begin at 8 o'clock. Following is the program:

1. "Marche Slave" ....Tschaikowsky
2. "Largo" from Antonin Dvorak's 5th Symphony "From The New World."
3. "Hungarian Dances Nos. 5 and 6" .....J. Brahms
4. (a) "La Donna E Mobile" (Rigoletto) .....Verdi
   (b) "Sylvelin" .....Sinding
   (c) "Che Gelida Manina" (La Boheme) .....Puccini
   Ted Roy
5. "Ballet Egyptien" .....A. Luigini
   Allegretto non troppo
   Allegretto
   Andante sostenuto
   Andante espressivo
6. Descriptive fantasia "In the Clock Store" .....Orth
7. (a) "The Last Hour" ....Kramer
   (b) "The Smuggler's Song" .....Kernochan
   (c) "By the Bend of The River" .....Edwards
   Ted Roy
8. Badinage" .....Victor Herbert
9. Overture, "El Guarany" ....A. Carlos Gomez

Religious School Opens Tomorrow

Tomorrow night an institute for religious leadership training will open at the First Baptist church here, to continue during Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week. The institute will adjourn for the first three days of next week and will again be resumed Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

Dr. W. T. Milliken, who is state director of religious education, and Miss Louise Hunderup, state elementary director and state secretary of the World Wide Guild, will be the instructors.

Mrs. Minnie Bynum is dean of the school and Mrs. C. E. Happersett is enrollment secretary. Credit will be given to those completing either of the courses which will be given. Anyone interested in the school is invited to attend.

NOTED FLIER PASSES AWAY OF PNEUMONIA

Floyd Bennett, Who Flew Across North Pole, Succumbs to Disease

SERUM TAKEN TO HIM BY LINDBERGH

Aviator Was En Route to Greenly Island with Supplies for Bremen When He Took Sick.

QUEBEC, Apr. 25 (AP)—Floyd Bennett, who flew over the north pole with Commander Richard E. Byrd died at 10:50 a. m. today from double pneumonia.

Bennett's death came while his wife was near him, herself a patient in the same hospital with tonsilitis. His closest man friend, Commander Byrd, was also there, having cancelled all engagements and rushed here as soon as Bennett's condition became serious.

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh was also in Quebec, having flown here from New York last night carrying anti-pneumonia serum in a gallant but vain effort to save the north pole flier's life.

Was on Relief Trip

Bennett was brought to the Jeffery Hale hospital by airplane from Lake Ste. Agnes Sunday after being stricken while commanding an air expedition to the relief of the stranded trans-Atlantic fliers on Greenly Island.

Bennett undertook this relief expedition with Bernt Balchen, although both of them had to leave sick beds to do so. After Bennett's cold turned into pneumonia and he had to drop from the expedition Balchen pushed on without him.

Bennett's condition became increasingly serious as the days and hours passed and at 10 o'clock this morning specialists brought here to tend him from New York announced that everything was in vain and that he was dying. Fifty minutes later he passed away.

Commander Byrd said he would remain here with Mrs. Bennett "until she is back at home."

Funeral in Brooklyn

The commander said that arrangements had been made to attach a special car to a train leav-

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Year Sentence Is Followed By Judge's Parole

Rufus Keefer plead guilty to charges of obtaining money on unlawful pretenses this morning before Judge J. W. Knowles who passed a one-year sentence in the penitentiary and then paroled Keefer, on numerous conditions, one of them being that he support his family of six children.

Keefer passed a check for the amount of eight dollars on Claude C. Pratt on April 20, according to the complaint. Keefer was bound over to the grand jury from justice court, but he waived indictment and an information was filed against him.

Keefer, if he observes the conditions of his parole, must refrain from the use of liquor, must be a law observing citizen and support his large family.

FLOYD BENNETT, AVIATOR, DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Floyd Bennett, who flew over the north pole with Commander Richard E. Byrd, died at 10:50 a. m. today in Quebec from double pneumonia. Bennett is pictured at the right in the above group of men who flew the huge Ford relief plane from Detroit to Murray Bay, Quebec, and who were to take off immediately for Greenly Island taking supplies and a propeller to the men of the Bremen stranded there. Others in the picture, left to right, are: Charles Murphy, New York newspaper man; Tom Mulroy, engineer; Carl Wenzel, Ford mechanic; and Bernt Balchen, co-pilot. Balchen and Bennett were members of Commander Byrd's expedition that leaves soon for the Antarctic.

FRANK LOCKHART VICTIM OF SPEED

Racing Champion Killed When Car, Travelling 200 m.p.h., Goes Amuck

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Apr. 25. (AP)—Frank Lockhart, noted automobile racer was killed almost instantly here today when he lost control of his machine while racing down the beach at more than 200 miles an hour.

Lockhart had made three fast trips in his Stutz Blackhawk special and was approaching the grandstand on the fourth when his car appeared to hit a soft spot in the sand. It turned endwise several times, leaped high into the air and made several barrel rolls before landing. Lockhart was thrown out face downward upon the sand.

Spectators found him breathing heavily and bleeding profusely about the mouth and head. He was placed in an automobile and rushed to the hospital but was dead when he arrived.

Wife Witnesses Wreck

He was pronounced dead at 8:35 a. m., fifteen minutes after the accident. Mrs. Lockhart was one of the two hundred spectators in the stand who witnessed the accident. She was among the first to reach her husband's side. She became hysterical as she was placed in the automobile which took her husband to the hospital and became more hysterical when doctors pronounced him dead.

Lockhart had been coming out on the beach for the past several mornings in the early hours to make test runs. On his first test run this morning he had been clocked at 148 miles and the return

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W. O. W. Planning For Convention

Plans for the district convention of the Woodmen of the World to be held at Hood River May 2, were discussed last night when the lodge held a regular meeting with Council Commander R. J. Pearl presiding. Two visitors from the Pendleton camp were present and gave interesting talks relative to the meeting. They were Mr. Strobel and Mr. Johnson. One candidate was initiated into the La Grande camp. About 20 members attended last night's session.

Four delegates from La Grande will attend the district convention.

Quakes Continue To Rock Isthmus Of Corinth Today

ATHENS, Apr. 25 (AP)—Further violent earthquakes occurred in Corinth today and torrential rains beat upon the wretched homeless. The collapse of a wall killed a woman raid to be 120 years old.

ATHENS, Apr. 25. (AP)—Recurring earthquakes in Greece this morning wrought fresh damage on the devastated isthmus of Corinth.

A shock at 4:04 a. m., practically destroyed the watering resort of Kalamaki at the eastern entrance to the Corinth canal.

A strange phenomenon was observed at Piraeus, the port of Athens, where the sea rose to a great height and then suddenly receded. Slight damage was caused to shipping.

A slight shock was felt at 2:30 a. m., caused a certain amount of panic among the inhabitants.

Other shocks were felt at Corinth last night. These were accompanied by a violent hail and rainstorm. Twenty houses collapsed at the small town of Amuri Lamia, but no casualties were reported.

Shocks were also felt this morning at Lamia, at the head of the gulf of that name and on the island of Poros.

A British squadron arrived at Corinth and commenced to distribute food and blankets. Denis Loverdos, Athenian banker who owns a villa at the stricken watering place of Loutraki, gave 200,000 drachmas ($2600) for the sufferers in that district.

Committee Busy Improving G.A.R. Cemetery Plot

Total cast received from sale of tickets, donations, and check room amounted to 557.85 and total expenses were $60.90, leaving a balance of $496.95, according to the final report of the committees from organizations that co-operated in the G. A. R. cemetery plot endowment fund drive, by sponsoring a dance that was given at the Sacajawea Inn.

Dr. J. L. Ingle, general chairman, announces that the $96.95 left after the $400 endowment certificate was taken out, has been turned over to a committee consisting of Mrs. Kochensparger, chairman; Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Lottes, Mrs. Ray Williams, Mrs. Lot Snodgrass and Mrs. J. R. hodes. This committee is in charge of the improving of the G. A. R. plot and the $96.95 will cover the cost of the improvments. If any balance is left it will be turned over to the Woman's Relief Corps to be placed at interest in the bank and to be used as the occasion may require for the improvement and decoration of the G. A. R. plot.

Sunday morning about eight legionnaires went to the Legion plot in the Masonic cemetery and levelled, raked and seeded it, putting it in first class shape. One of the regular government stones has been placed over Fred Fife's grave. Thre graves are in the Legion plot at present, which is also endowed to insure perpetual upkeep.

This week the committee named above is putting the G. A. R. plot in shape and by the end of the week this work is expected to be completed. The endowment fund provides enough money to insure perpetual upkeep of the G. A. R. plot.

K. T. Convention Reports Given

Reports from the grand commandery meeting of the Knights Templar were heard last night when the regular meeting of the La Grande commandery was held at the Masonic lodge rooms here with a good attendance. Reports were given by George T. Cochran, E. L. Knight, A. J. Stange and J. D. Meyers, who attended the Portland meeting, and after these talks there was discussion concerning the annual conclave, which will be held in La Grande next April.

Routine business of the lodge was taken up during the evening.

HOOVER GAINS IN TUESDAY'S VOTING

Wins Majority of Delegates in Ohio — Smith Strengthens Position

COLUMBUS, O., Apr. 25. (AP)—Complete returns today from the only close district in the state showed that Secretary Hoover would have 31 of Ohio's 51 delegates at the Kansas City convention.

The commerce secretary captured all the seven delegates at large by wide margins and got two delegates from each of 12 districts. Anti-Hoover delegates originally pledged to the late Senator Frank B. Willis, were elected in 10 districts, giving the opposition a total of 20 delegates.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 25 (AP)—Taking into account the big batch of delegates named in yesterday's primaries in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Alaska and by Kansas democrats and Oklahoma republicans in conventions, 708 of the 1,089 republicans who will hold credentials at Kansas City have actually been named. Of the 1100 delegates voted at Houston, 638, or nearly 100 less than the two-thirds majority needed for nomination have been designated.

Of the republican delegates 288 are generally conceded to Hoover; 175 to Lowden; 28 to Norris; 24 to Curtis and 11 to Borah, with the preference of 242 listed as doubtful.

Among the democrats Smith has increased his conceded total to 414 or 46 votes more than he polled at his peak in the 1924 convention, but slightly more than 300 shy of the 733½ necessary for nomination. Pomerene, of Ohio, is credited with 47, Reed with 36, George, of Georgia, 28, Ayres, of Kansas, 20, and Hitchcock, of Nebraska, 16, with the preference of 77 democratic delegates selected to date regarded as doubtful.

DETROIT, Apr. 25. (AP)—Michigan's seven delegates at large to the republican national convention at Kansas City will carry instructions to vote for the nomination of Herbert Hoover for president. The instructions, decided upon by the republican state convention here will bind the delegates to "vote for Hoover as long as he is a candidate."

Twenty-six delegates, elected by Michigan's 13 congressional districts also have either instructions or recommendations to vote for the commerce secretary.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 25. (AP)—To all appearances, the voting in

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Prosecutor In Medford Faces Larceny Charge

MEDFORD, Ore., Apr. 25. (AP)—The special grand jury yesterday returned ten additional indictments against District Attorney Newton C. Chaney, alleging larceny of public funds.

The indictments cover a period between July 29, 1926, and Jan. 31, 1928 and the sums vary from $182.50 to $719.

A previous single indictment returned two weeks ago alleged the larceny of $310.

The prosecutor, who is a candidate for re-election at the May primaries entered pleas of not guilty to each indictment as it was read.

Jimmy Angel Sick In Guayamas, Mexico

NOGALES, Ariz., Apr. 25. (AP)—Jimmy Angel, aviator who landed at the Empalme aviation field on the outskirts of Guayamas, Sonora, Mexico yesterday, en route to Cape Horn, is in the railroad hospital there, according to a dispatch received today by the Herald.

Angel is reported suffering from the same illness which delayed his take off from Mexicali Saturday.

FAMILY SLAIN IN VANCOUVER BY HUSBAND

Commits Suicide with Dynamite After Killing Wife and Children

STARK MADNESS THEORY IS HELD

Coroner Also Thinks that Crime May Have Been Premeditated, Due to Poison Found.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Apr. 25. (AP)—Stark, unreasoning madness or maniacal deliberate intent, today stood forth as the only explanation of the brutal tragedy that yesterday wiped out a family of four persons. Their heads crushed by a hatchet, their throats slashed, Mrs. Amelia Senti, her daughter, Ruth, 11, and her son, Alfred, 4, were found dead in their home 11 miles from here late yesterday. Near the house were found fragments of the body of Tobias Senti, husband and father. A terrific blast of twenty sticks of dynamite had torn him into bits.

The coroner said Senti had beaten and slashed his family of three to death, and then had chosen to die himself by dynamite.

The tragedy took place a few hours after dawn, but it went undiscovered until near evening.

Makes Discovery

A neighbor woman, searching for a cow, came upon mangled legs of Senti in a wooded pasture. She hurried to his house and found it locked. Officers were summoned. They crashed the doors and within, they found the victims.

Her head crushed, her throat terribly mutilated by knife slashes, the body of Senti's daughter was found in the pantry of the house. She had been preparing breakfast. In a tiny bedroom, the little boy was dead—his skull crushed and his throat slashed. The mother suffered similar wounds. Her body was found in a shed at the rear of the house.

Remains of Breakfast

Several cold waffles and some bread, freshly sliced, was mute evidence that the girl had been preparing the morning meal.

After the killing, the coroner said, Senti went to the barn where the dynamite was stored, obtained twenty sticks of it, and killed himself. In the tattered pocket of his trousers, police found a bottle containing poison. This led them to express the belief that the slaying was premeditated.

Neighbors today could give no motive for the tragedy.

A brother, Albert Sento, was said by neighbors of the family to live at Rainier, Ore.

INNER ORGANS OF GORILLA LIKE CHILD'S

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Apr. 25. (AP)—Page Darwin!

A physician is authority for the statement that the inner organs of Miss Congo, a gorilla, could not be distinguished from those of a 12 or 14-year-old girl. The animal, said to be the only female gorilla in captivity appeared almost human in many respects, in the opinion of Dr. Ralph N. Greene, Jacksonville.

Ilion colitis, a disease common among humans, caused Miss Congo's death yesterday in Sarasota. The gorilla was valued at $150,000 by her owner, John Ringling, Sarasota circus millionaire. She was captured in 1925 by Ben Burbridge, Jacksonville explorer and big game hunter on the slopes of Mount Kivu, Belgian Congo.

Dr. Greene recalled that Dr. Robert M. Yerkes, member of the Yale faculty, gave Miss Congo intelligence tests in 1925.

The animal was found to possess a brain equal to that of a six or seven-year-old child. The scientist said Miss Congo was about that age when examined.

House Gives Farm Bill Right of Way

WASHINGTON, Apr. 25. (AP)—The house today decided to give the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill the immediate legislative right-of way on disposition of three minor measures. This is expected to bring up the farm bill late today.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 25 (AP)—Early disposition of the flood control bill passed yesterday by the house by an overwhelming vote is favored by Chairman Jones, of the senate commerce committee, when the bill is taken up again in the senate for consideration of house amendments.

CHARGES MANSLAUGHTER

DENVER, Apr. 25 (AP)—Manslaughter charges were filed today by District Attorney Joel E. Stone against five officials of the Alexander aircraft corporation, where an explosion last Friday resulted in the deaths of 11 persons.

Dr. Walter F. Seymour, Missionary From U. S., Shot to Death in China

SHANGHAI, Apr. 25. (AP)—Dr. Walter F. Seymour, superintendent of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions hospital at Tsining, Southwestern Shantung was shot to death by a Chinese soldier.

Dr. Seymour was shot through the heart on April 16.

Because of interrupted communications in Shantung, the news of the shooting only reached here today. The interruption of communications is due to the present fighting between the nationalists and the northerners in Shantung province, Tsining, which is about 15 miles from Yenchowfu, being in the center of the disturbed area.

Whether the soldier was a northerner or a nationalist was not known. Tsining is believed to have been captured by nationalists on either April 16 or 17.

The message telling of the slaying came by courier to Tenghsien, about 50 miles southeast of Tsining, and was sent from there by the Chinese telegraph.

Mrs. Seymour and other missionaries at Tsining are believed to be safe. It is thought that they are unable to leave the region because it is overrun by nationalist soldiers moving northward.

Dr. Seymour, a graduate of Wisconsin university and Northwestern Medical school, Evanston, Ill., came to China in 1892. His daughter, who is a nurse, is in the United States at present.

The Presbyterian headquarters here was advised by other dispatches from Tsinan by way of Tsingtao that Presbyterians throughout Shantung, except those at Tsingtao have all either evacuated or their evacuation is under way. This includes Presbyterians at Tsaochowfu, Tengshien, Ichowfu and Tsinan.

NEW YORK, Apr. 25. (AP)—The Presbyterian board of foreign missions received an official announcement of the shooting of Dr. Walter F. Seymour in Tsining by cable from the Presbyterian China council at Shanghai today.

"Soldier shot Dr. Seymour through heart," the cable said. "All others in Tsining saved. Will leave as soon as possible."

The board believed the only other missionary in that section, in addition to the Seymour party, to be the Rev. Charles M. Eames, of Jacksonville, Ill.

NANKING, Apr. 25. (AP)—General Chaing Kai Shek, nationalist commander in chief, today informed headquarters here by telegraph that the capture of Tsinan, capital of Shantung province, had been completed by the southern forces.

HANKOW, Apr. 25 (AP)—Refugees reaching Hankow today told appalling stories of the sacking of Kiugmen, a city of 600,000 inhabitants about 140 miles northwest of Hankow, by bandits who are stated to have slaughtered at least 5000 men, women and children.