

# Two Arraigned On Murder Charges

## NEWMAN AND MOORE HELD FOR TRIAL

Preliminary Hearing Scheduled For Wednesday Morning at 10.

## REPRESENTED IN COURT BY H. HESS

Degree of Murder Not Designated in Complaint, Filed Yesterday By R. L. Cogburn.

Fred Moore, 22, and Jack Newman, of the same age, were formally accused of the murder of Eldon Leo Smith, 35, Union Pacific railroad detective, this morning when they were arraigned before Judge L. Denham in the court of the justice of the peace. A complaint was filed yesterday afternoon by R. L. Cogburn, Union Pacific agent. Henry H. Hess, attorney, will represent them in the preliminary hearing which is set for tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in justice court.

The degree of murder of which they will be accused was not designated in the complaint.

Newman Nervous  
Both received the reading this morning without any undue emotion, although Newman displayed some nervousness throughout the entire proceedings. They smoked their pipes while awaiting the arrival of Mr. Hess, and listened to the conversations of the officers who accompanied them to the justice court.

Both Moore and Newman are slight of build, the former of blonde and the latter of brunette complexion. They were dressed in blue waist overalls, Newman wearing a blue shirt and Moore a white sweater with narrow blue stripes.

Mr. Smith was found dead shortly before 11 o'clock the evening of Aug. 4 near Hilgard by railroad employees after six shots were alleged to have been heard in the dark. None of the transients riding the train saw the shooting, they stated when questioned, but said that shortly after the shots were heard they saw a group of men crouched over Smith's body.

Moore was arrested in Seattle on Aug. 16 after he had pawned a watch which was believed to have belonged to the slain man. He refused to talk at first but when questioned in Pendleton by District Attorney Carl G. Helm, Moore confessed to a part in the shooting.

Jack Newman was arrested in Pendleton a short time after the shooting, and held for questioning. Portland fingerprint experts state that both Newman and Moore have criminal records.

## DOOLITTLE IN ACCIDENT BUT NOT INJURED

WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 23 (AP)—Jimmy Doolittle, trapped in the air an hour and 45 minutes by a faulty retractable landing gear, set his Laird biplane down on the rest field today, escaping injury to himself, but damaging the plane beyond repair in time for the Bendix trophy race Saturday.

Doolittle succeeded in releasing his landing gear a few inches, enough that the wheels would turn as the plane struck the ground.

They held firmly for a moment but folded again and the plane nosed over slightly, bending the propeller blade. By this time the ship was skidding on the fuselage. However, the speed had been so slackened that the pilot was given only a slight shaking up.

## Landis Court In New Hands, Report

A deal has been closed, according to reports today, whereby Mr. Minton has traded the Landis Court apartments to E. C. Loyd, of Walla Walla, Mrs. Morris, who formerly owned the Grande Ronde apartments, is to manage the Landis Court for Mr. Loyd, it is said.

WEATHER FORECAST  
Oregon: Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer in the east portion tonight; gentle northerly winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY  
7 a. m.—57 above.  
Minimum: 47 above.  
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY  
Maximum 78, minimum 54 above.  
Condition: Partly cloudy.  
Range—24 degrees.

WEATHER AUG. 23, 1931  
Maximum 98, minimum 53 above.  
Condition: Clear. Range—45 degrees.

## Drive For Funds To Finance Drum Corps Trip Opens

Organization Will Appear On Streets at 6 p. m. This Evening; Soliciting to Begin Tomorrow.

An organization which has aided in practically every civic enterprise since its founding and which has brought recognition to Union county throughout the state—the American Legion drum and bugle corps—is now planning to participate in the competition at the American Legion convention in Portland and \$1000 is necessary to finance the enterprise, to transport the players, maintain headquarters there and in general represent La Grande at the convention.

Civic organizations who have been assisted by the American Legion in drives for relief work, for civic improvement and others have organized into four committees which will open a drive for funds tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Because of the present economic condition, committee members will not press anyone to contribute, because they feel that La Grander will express their appreciation of the work that the drum corps has done in the past and the advertisement that will appear in La Grande from the organization which will go to Portland dressed in attractive uniforms to take part in the national convention.

During the past eight years, since their founding, the American Legion drum corps has not missed a state convention where they were always active in the competition. This year it will attend its first national convention and to prepare for the event the members have practiced every week during the past winter. From now until the convention they drill and practice every evening under the leadership of Andrew Loney Jr., musical director, and Lieut. Jesse V. Andrews, military drill conductor.

A downtown headquarters will be set up in Portland during the convention which opens on Sept. 12, and tourist information and descriptive pamphlets will be distributed. The headquarters will also give opportunity to the La Grande delegates and drum corps members to meet "bud-

## Al Smith Will Become Editor Of The Outlook

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (AP)—Alfred E. Smith, editor-in-chief of the Outlook when the magazine resumes publication next month, it was announced at the offices of the publication today.

It is expected that the Democratic presidential nominee of 1928 will be an active editor, writing both editorial comment and general articles as well as influencing the policy of the magazine.

The Outlook was changed from a weekly to a monthly publication last spring and then was suspended altogether. On June 30 it was purchased by Frank A. Tichenor, who also publishes Aero Digest, Sportsman, Pilot, Spur and other magazines.

## Tom Bradshaw Drowned Sunday In White River

Thomas Bradshaw, 30-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bradshaw, of 1815 East Pennsylvania avenue, was drowned Sunday afternoon in White river at Clarington, Ark., according to reports received here.

Mr. Bradshaw left here about June 1 to visit his aunt, Mrs. J. M. Morris, of Clarington.

No details of the drowning were known here. Mr. Bradshaw had lived in and about Clarington a number of years and had many friends in this vicinity.

## Scouts to Receive Awards Tonight

Boy Scouts who passed their requirements for merit badges at the recent Boys' camp at Wallowa Lake and those who, unable to attend camp, will be passed by the board of reviews tonight and will receive their merit rank badges at a court of honor at 7:30 at the Methodist church basement.

All troop committees will hold a business meeting at the church following the court of honor, and members are urged to attend the important gathering, scout leaders said this morning.

## Relief Meeting Tonight Postponed

Because of the rush of activities tonight the meeting of the relief committees of the local service clubs was postponed indefinitely. It was stated this morning. The meeting was called by the board of directors of the Union County Labor Exchange in order to ask their cooperation in the relief plans for the coming winter.

## TREATS OF REPRISALS ARE VOICED

All Germany Disturbed By Reactions From Sentencing of Hitler Men.

## GOVERNMENT TO MAINTAIN STAND

Refuses to Let "Political Pressure" Interfere With Justice—Hitler Makes Statement.

By Tom Wilhelm (Associated Press Staff Writer)  
BERLIN, Aug. 23 (AP)—Disturbing threats of reprisals against the government for death sentences imposed on five Fascists convicted of political murder were answered today by an announcement that the government would not stand for political pressure but decide solely on the basis of justice whether or not to grant pardons.

This statement was issued after Adolf Hitler, leader of the Fascist National Socialists, had assured the five condemned men that "the freedom of each of you from this minute on is a question of our honor."

Convicted of Murder  
The Hitler followers were condemned to death at Beuthen yesterday.

After they had been convicted of killing a Communist. In government circles it was said no one did the five men or the Nazi movement worse service than Hitler himself, who scathingly denounced the von Papen government and, it was said, identified himself with men found guilty of murder.

## THREE FIRES IN CITY LAST NIGHT

Two-Story House at Second and D and Two-Room House on V Destroyed.

A spectacular fire, that destroyed a two-story home on Second and D streets at 9:40 o'clock last night, was only one of three fires that occurred here during a period of six hours. A garage fire was extinguished, a small two-room dwelling place was burned and the larger residence building in Old Town was destroyed.

The first call, a silent one, was at 8:30 p. m. to 1506 Jefferson where a car and garage belonging to Wallace Cass was afire. The flames were quickly extinguished with 35 gallons of chemicals and the damage was small.

At 9:40 the fire department was called to Second and D and battled flames for more than an hour that shot high into the sky to light up the surrounding territory almost as if in daylight. The fire had such a start before the alarm was turned in it was impossible to save the structure. The cause of the blaze is unknown. The house, formerly owned by a Mr. Hicks and now owned, it is reported, by the state veterans' aid commission, was unoccupied and there was no furniture inside. Eleven hundred and fifty feet of hose were used in putting water onto the flames.

The third and last of the three fires was at 2:30 a. m. when the truck was called to a small, unoccupied house at 1702 V avenue. Here, also, the flames had such a start that it was impossible to save the building.

There was no furniture in the house and the ownership had not been learned this morning.

The amount of loss had not been estimated for either house, but it would run into a considerable sum on the two-story dwelling place, firemen said.

Later today it was reported that the house on V avenue was the property of a Mr. Hogg, of Union.

## NO LET-UP IN FARM STRIKE IN MID-WEST

Continue Attempts to Cut Off Omaha From Truck Shipments

## UNCLE SAM MAY TAKE SOME PART

Two Arrested in Boone, Iowa; Several Farmers Halt Livestock Train at Nacora, Nebraska.

By the Associated Press  
Farmers striking for higher produce prices today continued an attempt to cut off Omaha from truck shipments, and the movement was spreading to other sections despite authorities' efforts to quell its more violent aspects, and a threat of federal intervention.

In Boone, Ia., Truman Caldwell, and A. L. Flickinger, farmers, were under arrest, charged with malicious destruction of produce, in connection with the dumping of cream from a truck.

Sheriffs in Logan, Council Bluffs and Missouri Valley, Iowa, warned strike leaders picketing must be attended by no violence, and that stopping a driver, telling him to return home, blocking a highway, and molesting any driver were punishable by penitentiary sentences.

Several farmers halted a livestock train at Nacora, Neb., en route to Sioux City. They delayed the train three quarters of an hour, but no stock was missing.

Officers Halt Farmers  
Deputy Sheriff Pownen prevented 50 farmers from pouring out B. H. Brant's load of cream near Council Bluffs. During the night the picketing farmers turned back ten truck loads of livestock, but permitted two truck loads to pass after drivers convinced them they had to have this money.

About 400 farmers met in Missouri Valley to plan an extension of the Omaha blockade.

## Quarrel Over Dish Of Sliced Tomatoes Leads to Slaying

RICHMOND, Ind., Aug. 23 (AP)—Mrs. Nellie Kumber, housekeeper, confessed to Sheriff Herbert Ellison today she shot and killed Mrs. Elanore Gunsaulle, common-law wife of Guy Gunsaulle, at the Gunsaulle home.

Mrs. Kumber related events and circumstances leading up to the actual firing of the shots last week and the burial of the dead woman in a shallow grave at the Gunsaulle home near Billingsville.

Mrs. Kumber said the killing followed a tussle for a gun with which Mrs. Gunsaulle had threatened her.

Mrs. Kumber said she and Mrs. Gunsaulle had quarreled last Wednesday, the dispute arising over a dish of sliced tomatoes which Mrs. Kumber had thrown out.

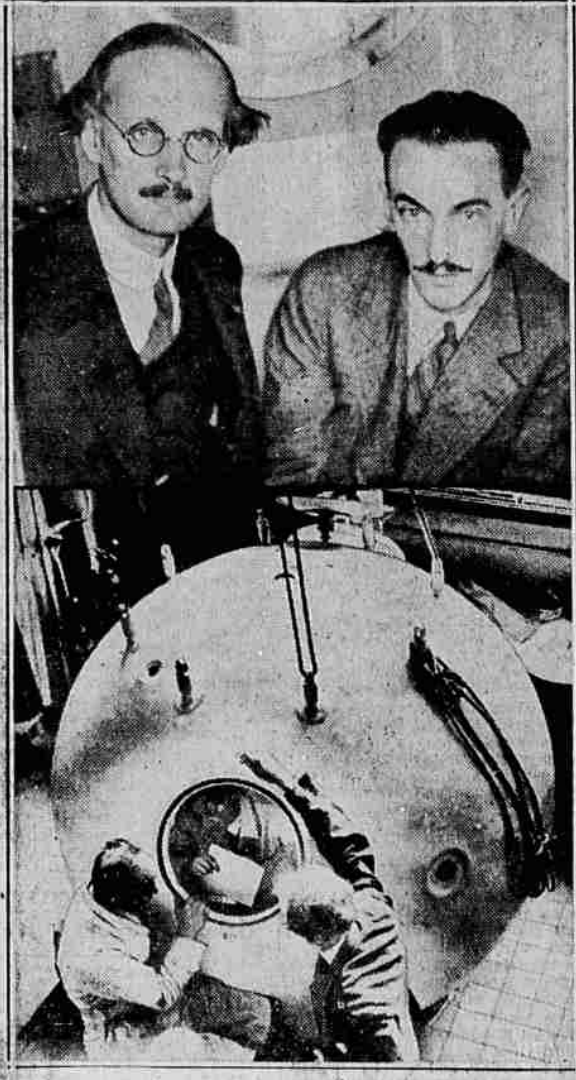
## Mercury Drops To 47 Monday Night

The mercury took a sharp drop in La Grande last night with the minimum this morning reported at 47 above, the coldest here in several weeks. It was seven degrees cooler than the night before.

The maximum Monday was 78 above, but indications were that warmer temperatures would be experienced this afternoon.

The weather forecast for tonight and tomorrow indicates warmer temperatures in Eastern Oregon.

## STRATOSPHERE SAILORS



Believed to have soared to an altitude greater than any ever before attained by a living being, Professor August Piccard (left) and his assistant, Max Cosyns (right), are pictured above as they posed inside the gondola of the balloon which carried them more than ten miles into the stratosphere from Zurich, Switzerland. The 1750-pound metal gondola, seen below, has nine windows and was fastened to the balloon by eight cables.

## Uniform Fee For Undergraduates Is Established

SALEM, Aug. 23 (AP)—A uniform rate of fees applicable to all undergraduate students regardless of what course of study they are pursuing, has been established by the state board of higher education, the rates announced are \$17 at the Oregon normal schools and \$38 per term at the university or state college.

Of the initial charge of \$38, \$24 will go to the state, the remaining being required for the self-supporting student health services and for operating the associated student organizations on the various campuses.

Thus at the college and university \$3.50 per term is appropriated to the health service, entitling each student to unlimited consultation, advice and treatment at the campus dispensary, and limited hospitalization, the announced.

## Seriously Injured Man Found on Road

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 23 (AP)—Seriously injured, a bag containing six headless chickens beside him, a man who gave his name only as Buddy Anderson, was picked up on a highway west of here today. He suffered from fractures of both wrists, a broken nose and head and face lacerations, and lapsed into unconsciousness shortly after being found.

The only information police could get from the man was that he had not been struck by an automobile. Police believe he fell to the roadway from a footpath 4 feet above.

## 12 Districts For Home Loan System

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (AP)—The home loan banking system inaugurated to aid small home owners will divide the country into 12 districts, the maximum number allowed under the law.

Franklin W. Fort, chairman of the home loan board, said today the board had decided to establish the maximum. Under the law the minimum would have been eight.

Fort said the board would map out the districts as rapidly as possible and probably announce all of them at the same time. After the districts are selected the sites for the regional banks will be determined.

## Publication Of R. F. C. Loans Is Confidence Aid

Optimistic Note Shows Itself Today in First Reactions to Publication of Report.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (AP)—An optimistic note showed itself today in first reactions to publication of the reconstruction corporation's loans to banks and other institutions.

Where originally there had been fears that this publicity—given by South Trimble, clerk of the house of representatives, under a clause in the new relief law—would undermine confidence in the borrowing banks, there was a disposition to point out that these banks had to be by requirement of law in fundamentally good condition.

From this point of view, publication of their government borrowing could be viewed as evidence of the banks' staunchness.

## Flood Near End In Manchuria; 50 More Lives Lost

HARBIN, Manchuria, Aug. 23 (AP)—Manchuria is gradually raising its head above the flood waters which have engulfed the country for three weeks, entailing the loss of thousands of lives and millions of dollars damage.

As the water recedes bodies from flooded cemeteries are floating in the streets, adding another menace to the already critical sanitary situation. The spread of cholera has terrified the population and even cattle are being inoculated.

The economic situation is extremely grave and the possibility of a moratorium is being discussed. Telegraph and postal services are disorganized and the great bridge over the Sungari, with eight steel spans, threatens to collapse, cutting off Manchuria from Siberia.

Last night at Ashio, near Harbin, fifty persons were drowned by a sudden rise of water.

## Hoover to Carry New York, Claim

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (AP)—William R. Wilcox, chairman of the Republican national committee in the 1916 campaign, today in a statement issued at the eastern campaign headquarters predicted victory for President Hoover in New York state.

"New York state has given many of the Republican leaders no little worry," he said, "but I think that their chances of victory are greater than ever."

## Poison Placed In Food Kills Five

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 23 (AP)—Dr. Asher Harris, assistant director of health, announced today John O. Callahan, his wife and three children were killed by poison placed in their food from an outside source. The deaths had been ascribed to tainted food.

Dr. Harris said enough poison was placed in wild cherry preserves and pancakes eaten by the family Sunday to wipe out the entire family of eleven. Three children, Cecelia, 8, Virginia, 6, and Kenneth, 15 months, died shortly after the breakfast, and Callahan and his wife died yesterday.

The other children, George, 15, and Dorothy, 4, are not expected to recover. Four children did not partake of the breakfast.

## Baker Democrats Support Roosevelt

CLEVELAND, Aug. 23 (AP)—The Cleveland Plain Dealer today said the presidential campaign committee of Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Cleveland Democratic organization in which Newton D. Baker is a prominent leader, have pledged mutual support.

During the national Democratic convention, the Cleveland group, led by W. B. Gungor, supported the candidacy of Alfred E. Smith, although Congressman Martin L. Sweeney, of Cleveland, stood for Roosevelt.

## Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 23 (AP)—Selling pressure from commission houses carried wheat to the lowest levels of the day shortly before the close today, and the ensuing rally failed to lift quotations materially. Trade had been brisk all morning with prices hovering around a cent a bushel above yesterday's close. A sharp break of about a cent at noon was recovered. Early strength in grains followed stock market gains.

## 3 AIRPLANES ON WAY EAST TO EUROPE

Two Engage in an Impromptu Race With Oslo, Norway as Destination.

## FLYING FAMILY BEGINS JOURNEY

J. A. Mollison and Three in Another Plane Stand Ready to Head Across Ocean Tomorrow.

By the Associated Press  
Three airplanes were speeding towards Europe from America today—two of them on an impromptu race to Oslo, Norway—and two more stood ready to go tomorrow if weather conditions are favorable.

Thor Solberg and Carl Petersen took off before dawn from Floyd Bennett field in New York for Oslo with one stop planned at Harbor Grace, N. F. Three and a half hours later they were reported by radio that they were over Portsmouth, N. H., slightly more than a half hour after that Clyde A. Lee and John Bonkoff left Barre, Vt., with the same goals—Harbor Grace and Oslo.

At the takeoff of the latter the two planes were not more than a hundred miles apart.

Family Plans Flight  
Later in the morning George Hutchinson and his flying family—himself, his wife and two young daughters—with crew of four more left Floyd Bennett field for St. John, N. B., the first stop scheduled on a 4300-mile, easy-stage flight to London.

William Ulrich, Dr. Leon Picault and Edna Newcomer planned to leave tomorrow on a non-stop flight to Rome by way of Florence—where Miss Newcomer is expected to leap out in a parachute to honor Florence Nightingale, the nurse.

Mollison Ready  
J. A. Mollison, Scotch flier who completed the first solo flight from Europe to New York last Sunday,

## LIBBY HOLMAN PREPARING FOR STORK'S VISIT

CINCINNATI, Aug. 23 (AP)—Libby Holman is in seclusion in Baltimore the Times said today, spending much of her time knitting clothing for the baby she expects in February.

And, whether it is a boy or girl, the child will be named Smith Reynolds, in memory of Libby's husband, for whose death she has been indicted by a North Carolina grand jury. She now is at liberty under \$25,000 bond.

Reynolds died July 5 of a bullet wound at his Winston-Salem, N. C. estate. Reynolds' friend, Albert Walker, also has been indicted on charges of murder, but Mrs. Reynolds has consistently, through her father and attorneys, maintained the death was a suicide.

Preparation for approaching motherhood has taken Libby's mind from the tragedy, the paper said, and her only interest now is the child.

## Three Bears Raid Forester's Stores

BEND, Ore., Aug. 23 (AP)—Lee Smith, forester, looked on Wanago Butte, doesn't enjoy the comical role of Goldilocks and having all his porridge eaten by the three bears.

A mother bruin and her two cubs raided his tent, destroyed all his food, and scattered a kettle full of cooked beans over the summit. Smith is looking forward eagerly to completion of the lookout house being built atop a 30-foot tower. He is going to keep his beans as well as his binoculars up there.

## May Apply For R. F. C. Loan

### Osborne, in Address to State Labor Convention, Opposes School Moving

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 23 (AP)—With only a few hours devoted to business today, delegates to the 30th annual convention of the Oregon State Federation of Labor gathered at beach resorts of Clatsop county this morning after having heard the annual reports of the president and secretary of the organization and the report of the resolutions committee, delivered Monday.

A brief business session was scheduled for the afternoon, and delegates, their families and friends were to be guests of Astoria tonight at a band concert and dance.

Ben T. Osborne, executive secretary-treasurer of the state federation, in his annual report recommending the course of the convention, warned labor against being stampeded into demands for drastic tax reduction, with corresponding reduction in service. Rather, he said, the federation should urge "removal of the burden from the citizen of small means, and placing it upon those citizens who have large incomes."

The necessity of producers being paid a larger share of wealth produced by use of machinery in order to maintain a buying balance and

### State Highway Commissioners Consider Plan

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 23 (AP)—A proposal that the state highway commission negotiate with the federal reconstruction finance corporation for a loan of \$2,000,000 for the construction of four major bridges on the Oregon coast highway, is under consideration by the commission, it was revealed today. The suggestion was made at a meeting of the commission last night but decision was deferred until more definite information is in hand relative to the terms

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