

Powwotka Woman, 47, Found Dead In Deserted Cabin

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MRS. LEE SLUSHER TAKES OWN LIFE

LOCAL WOMAN DIES FROM HEAD WOUND

Coroner George Walker Investigates; No Necessity Held For Inquest.

ILL HEALTH HELD PROBABLE MOTIVE

Death Comes Several Hours After Shooting; Funeral Arrangements Are Not Yet Made.

Mrs. Lee Slusher, of 1907 East Pennsylvania avenue, died at 4:30 o'clock in the Grande Ronde hospital this morning of a bullet wound in her head which coroner George Walker, after an investigation, said was self-inflicted.

Coroner Walker, after the investigation, said Mr. Slusher told him that he was sitting on the front porch of their home last night while she was packing in preparation for a trip to Portland. He heard a shot inside the house and found his wife had shot herself in the head with a .38 caliber revolver. The bullet entered her head above her right ear, went out through the back of her head, and lodged in the ceiling. She is believed to have nodded her head forward as she pulled the trigger.

Temporary fits of despondency due to ill health was advanced as the probable motive.

The shot was fired about 8:55 p. m. and Mrs. Slusher lived for several hours afterwards.

Coroner Walker said there was no necessity for an inquest, as it was a

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Local Chamber Commends Drum And Bugle Corps

The La Grande chamber of commerce through its board of directors has adopted a resolution commending the La Grande post No. 43, American Legion drum and bugle corps for the splendid showing at the Klamath Falls convention, when the corps won first prize in four events including the state drum corps championship. The resolution has been presented to Roy B. Currey, president of the drum corps.

It reads: "Be it resolved, that the La Grande chamber of commerce, feeling that the work of the La Grande American Legion drum and bugle corps was a splendid addition of medium for this city and section of Eastern Oregon, heartily commends the drum and bugle corps on the showing made at the state convention in Klamath Falls. We feel that the corps is an indispensable asset to this city."

FIRE CALL TO GROCERY FIRM

An electric motor on the elevator at the Western States grocery basement caught fire about 6 o'clock last night and resulted in a call to the fire department. Although the basement was practically filled with smoke, Fire Chief C. T. Lindsay announced there was no damage except to the motor.

MANY LODGES ACTIVE HERE 41 YEARS AGO

Who were prominent in La Grande fraternal circles in 1892, some 41 years ago?

A copy of the La Grande Gazette, taken from an abandoned cabin near Hilgard this summer, and bearing the date Oct. 7, 1892, carries a directory of lodges.

They follow (and at the bottom appears the statement "incomplete"):

La Grande Division No. 305, O. R. C., meets 1st and 3d Sundays of each month in K. P. hall. C. F. Brown, C. C.; J. A. Matott, Sec.

La Grande lodge No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets Saturday nights in Odd Fellows hall. Dan Ellidge, N. G.; A. L. Kitchen, Sec.

Crystal Lodge No. 50, Daughters of Rebekah, meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month in Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. A. E. Henry, N. G.; W. S. Wines, Sec.

Red Cross lodge No. 27, K. of P., meetings Monday evenings in Castle hall. J. S. Mills, C. C.; J. W. Knowles, K. of R. S.

Oliver P. Morton post No. 36, G. A.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Aug. 15 — Well, just sitting around here late this afternoon, and happened to have a day off tomorrow (Wednesday), and the west is playing the east polo in Chicago tomorrow.

Think of leaving here late this evening, flying to Chicago, see the game, and be back Wednesday night.

Over Boulder dam about 9 tonight, Salt Lake at midnight, see the sun rise in Cheyenne, breakfast in Omaha, lunch in Chicago. All on a passenger line.

And, by the way, the old aeroplane come in pretty handy getting the expresident out of Cuba. There is nothing that will drive you to flying quicker than to have somebody after you.

If this NRA works out (and it certainly looks like it will), it will just show you, you don't have to have war to make folks patriotic. Yours,

Will Rogers
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SUICIDE IS ADVANCED AS DEATH CAUSE

Mrs. L. S. Harvey Stops at Cabin, Kills Self With Pistol, Belief.

Mrs. Sarah Harvey, of Powwotka, a community in Wallowa county about ten miles south of the Washington line, shot herself to death late Monday afternoon, according to word reaching La Grande this morning from Enterprise. Her body was found at 1 a. m. Tuesday in a deserted cabin about half a mile from her home by searchers who started out after her husband sounded an alarm when she failed to return home in the evening.

A bullet from a .22 caliber automatic pistol entered her left temple

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MORE HEAT HITS NORTHWEST AREA; MARK 100 HERE

While the northwest was sweltering from a blasting August heat wave, the temperature in La Grande reached 100 for the seventh day of this summer, already established as one of the warmest on record. Tuesday's maximum eclipsed all previous August records in some sections of the northwest. Slightly cooler weather was forecast for today and in La Grande there were clouds appearing in the sky.

Portland had a maximum of 102.4 degrees Tuesday, the hottest August day ever experienced there. Pendleton chalked up 107 above for the third consecutive day. The Dalles reported 107, Hood River 101.5, Walla Walla 103, Medford 106, Burns 101, Klamath Falls 101, Salem 100, Eugene 96.

Dew and fog last night slowed the progress of two large forest fires on Gales creek and Wilson river, in

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TRAFFIC ON INCREASE IN EAST OREGON

August State Highway Count Shows Heavy Gain at Meacham, Minam

TRAVEL HEAVIEST IN HOT LAKE AREA

Road Between Enterprise and Wallowa Lake Comes in a Close Second in the Count.

Returns have been received now from all sections of this district from the August state highway traffic count conducted Sunday from 6 a. m. to 10 p. m., and again the Hot Lake overhead crossing showed the largest number of motor vehicles passing by.

The Sunday count was the third of the summer, the fourth probably to be taken on Sept. 11.

In July the figure for the Hot Lake strip was 839 and this month it was 834. The July count was taken on a Saturday.

The highway from Enterprise to Wallowa lake was second most popular road from the motorist's standpoint Sunday, with traffic amounting to 725. This was 28 less than in July.

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8 Injured When Stage Struck By Hit-Run Truck

BAKER, Aug. 16 (AP)—Eight passengers of a Union Pacific stage carrying 19 persons were cut and bruised early this morning when the bus was forced against an embankment by a truck operated by an unidentified driver near Rattlesnake Springs on the Old Oregon Trail in Baker county.

The injuries were said by hospital attaches to be of a minor nature and most of the injured were scheduled to leave Baker today. The injured are: Mrs. Nathaniel Marlar, of Boise; Rudolph Swink, South Carolina, sailor of the U.S.S. Memphis in Bremerton; Frank Guttridge, of Washington; Floyd Preman, Arkansas, U.S.S. Memphis, Bremerton; Wade Julian, Buhl, Idaho; and Nelda Risby, Boise. Mrs. Marlar and Mrs. Goetsch were the most seriously hurt.

State police officers were attempting this morning to locate the driver of the truck that is alleged to have sideswiped the stage, which was quite badly damaged.

New Memorial Tower Gives S. F. Bay Vista



A new viewpoint from which to see San Francisco and the San Francisco bay is the newly completed Colt Memorial Tower, a 725-foot observatory on Telegraph hill. Elevators carry visitors to the top. Photo shows the Colt Tower with San Francisco bay and Alcatraz island in the distance.

THIS YEAR'S EASTERN OREGON STOCK SHOW TO BE "SILVER JUBILEE"

This year's Eastern Oregon livestock show will be in the nature of a "silver jubilee" celebration. It will mark a quarter of a century since the first horse show at Union, and a quarter of a century of service to the livestock industry in this part of the state.

The show will take place at Union on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 24, 25 and 26, with exhibits of purebred cattle, sheep and swine, together with daily programs of thrilling arena events.

The development of range country, the rise of the dairy industry and the growing of fine stock will all be reflected in the twenty-fifth annual Union show. Horses, dairy and beef cattle will be featured this year, with cash premiums offered for the winners. Swine and sheep exhibits will be for ribbons only. The seven Eastern Oregon chapters of the Futur, Farmers of American and the numerous 4-H clubs will have separate departments, and are expected to be represented by interesting displays.

Headed by Herbert Chandler, Baker county livestock breeder, the stock show association is making a valiant effort to sustain its record of usefulness in the livestock world. D. E. Richards, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon experiment station, is acting as secretary of the association this year. Premium books may be obtained from him.

An outstanding event during stock show week will be a grand pageant on Friday. Just before the show, cash prizes are offered for the best floats, man's saddle, woman's saddle and children's ponies. After parading Main street, the pageant will move to the

LOCAL GIRL'S POEM SELECTED

Miss Adah Singleton, 1812 Washington avenue, is to gain state recognition for her poem, one of which has been chosen for a book of poems by Oregon poets to be published by the University Press, Corvallis.

Coyote Hides In Woodpile At The Court House

A coyote "from the lone prairie" apparently felt the need of a little company this morning and was seen running down K avenue at about 6 o'clock, it is reported. He was first seen near the Eastern Oregon Normal school by Miss Adeline Hundacker, and later the animal ran down to the court house and disappeared in a woodpile from which no amount of coaxing could bring him.

BLUE EAGLE LIST AT 207 IN LA GRANDE

Additional Signers Reported; More Names on Honor Roll Published.

The N. R. A. movement in La Grande continued to show progress today with the total number of Blue Eagle signers now listed at 207, an increase of two over Tuesday. The post office still was unprovided with additional insignia for signers during the last several days.

In Washington President Roosevelt today took over the helm in an effort to smooth the dispute over a working code for the steel industry, while in other quarters of his administration the pressure was tightened to draw the oil, coal and automobile industries in line with the Blue Eagle.

Some time ago the Observer published a part of the La Grande honor roll (those displaying Blue Eagles) and since then many more have signed certificates of compliance.

Latest additions to the honor list follows: Milton Vernon (trucker), G. J. Breier Co., Owen Service Station, Mrs. Ingle & Ingle, Gates Velox Service Station, G. E. LaDelle (contractor), Shell Oil Co., Edwards & Price (paint contractors), Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary, Edenhelm

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LINDBERGH'S WILL FLY TO ENGLAND

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Aug. 16 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh planned today to continue on to Europe in their northern mapping flight if weather conditions were favorable.

On their arrival at Vatnagardur Sound near here from Angmagalik, Greenland, yesterday, the Colonel told an attendant who brought them coffee and milk that England might be their next destination.

PRECAUTIONS AT BOYS CAMP

Reports from the boys camp at Wallowa Lake today, sent to reassure parents following a reported rescue of three boys from the lake earlier this week, said that no boys in the camp were allowed to go on the lake in a canoe unless under supervision of the older boys and men in charge of the camp.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 16 (AP)—Mob psychology received the chief blame from traders today for a new maximum allowable tumble of grain prices, including five cents a bushel collapse in wheat.

Something like a flood of selling orders which had accumulated during stagnation of dealings the last three days poured into the grain pits at the opening, and forced the markets down to the furthest point that emergency regulations of the board of trade would tolerate for a 24 hour period. No recovery ensued.

Since the season's peaks were reached about a month ago, wheat has dropped 34 cents, corn 27 cents, oats 15 cents, rye 43 cents, and barley 50 cents.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

GREAT MAN HUNT BEGINS
W. B. FOLLETT SUICIDES
40 KILLED IN STORM
TO REOPEN ORCHARDS

CHICAGO, Aug. 16 (AP)—A mobilized kidnap drive that began with the greatest man hunt in Chicago's history extended today to Southern Wisconsin hideaways of the Touhy gang and its subsidiary kidnaping syndicate. Two score sharpshooters of the Chicago police department were rushing into the territory with orders to corral gangsters and kidnapers against whom detectives have been gathering evidence for weeks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16 (AP)—William B. Follett, 45, first Oregon state commander of the American Legion, shot himself to death in a public park here early today.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 16 (AP)—Forty persons were killed in an electric storm which flooded Kingston and St. Andrews last night, causing damage estimated at \$2,000,000.

MERCED, Cal., Aug. 16 (AP)—Apparently climaxing the strike of 2,000 fruit pickers in the huge orchards of the California Picking corporation at this time, the territory, Willard Griffin, manager, today announced the orchards would be reopened on an increased pay scale. He did not announce the amount.

QUITO, Ecuador, Aug. 16 (AP)—Soldiers guarded the presidential and legislative palaces today following demands for the resignation of President Martinez Mera, who was inaugurated last December.

GIVES POISON TO FOUR MEMBERS OF ARKANSAS FAMILY

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Aug. 16 (AP)—A confession that he poisoned four members of a family was signed today by Mark H. Shank, an attorney of Akron, Ohio.

Police advanced as a motive the imminent arrest of one of the victims for stealing papers for Shank from the Akron prosecutor's office for use in a forgery case against a client of Shank.

The police said they found a letter from Shank in the clothing of one of the victims, Mrs. Ethel Colley, advising her and her husband, Alvin, to "keep eyes open, mouth shut" and he would soon join them and "you will all be rich."

Colley and her wife and two sons, 7 and 11 years of age, were found dead and dying of poison on a highway near Malvern late yesterday after their car had crashed into a fence and Shank had fled into the woods.

Shank confessed, authorities announced, in the following brief statement which he said he would amplify after he had some sleep: "I am guilty of the murder of the four persons at Malvern by poison and I only ask that you officers recommend to the courts that they grant me all the leniency possible."

Colley was sought by Wayne County.

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GANDHI MAY NOT MAKE DEATH FAST

POONA, India, Aug. 16 (AP)—After the Mahatma Gandhi had announced at noon today that he was starting a fast until death, the government came forward with an offer which, it was expected, would impel him to abandon the plan.

The government was willing to provide the nationalist leader with facilities enabling him to continue, under certain conditions, his campaign to better the status of India's most lowly caste, the untouchables.

Thus far the Mahatma has not actually missed any meal, and it was expected that he would eat as usual this evening.

President Roosevelt has under consideration combining a number of smaller army posts about the country into larger groups.

Walter A. Bean, 1801 Washington avenue, says, "I believe it would be a very good thing as an economic measure resulting in a large cut in overhead."

Eldridge Huffman, 605 First street, says, "I believe that the army posts should stay where they are as protection against criminal activities. There should be more of them and they should be equipped to treat with law breakers."

MAKE CHANGE IN HOUSING OF U. S. ARMY

President to Concentrate Many Posts Into Major Establishments

EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY REASON

Roosevelt Now Surveying Army Outlay and is Determined to Weed Out Number of Barracks.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP)—President Roosevelt has decided to concentrate many army posts into a few major establishments for purposes of economy and efficiency.

He is now surveying the army outlay and is determined to weed out a large number of the army barracks to cut costs of operation and to promote co-ordination of the forces.

Until he has decided which posts will be retained in the new order he is withholding any funds for army housing.

Secretary Dern has urged the public works board to allocate funds from its \$3,300,000,000 employment fund for army housing but no action has been taken.

It was made clear at the White House that President Roosevelt himself will pass on the army buildings program now under consideration by

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Garment Workers Walkout Begins Today in East

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (AP)—A strike order affecting some 80,000 garment workers went into effect today, but as rallying places of the strikers were scattered through the city it was difficult to determine to how great an extent the order was obeyed.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Aug. 16 (AP)—Several thousand workers in the dress and cloak trades went on strike today in Connecticut. Picketing began at scores of small shops here and in Bridgeport.

The workers' are demanding the minimum wages and maximum hours proposed in the national recovery act blanket code as against the \$8 minimum and 40 hour week which they assert the employers offered them.

SEEKS JOB AS U. S. MARSHAL

Steve A. Laurance, candidate for United States marshal of Junction City, Ore., was a business visitor in La Grande last night.

Today's Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 16 (AP)—Lou Gehrig, the "Iron horse" first baseman of the New York Yankees, equalled the major league record for consecutive games played when he went in against the Browns today in his 1307th consecutive game. The mark was established by Everett Scott of the Boston Red Sox and the Yankees.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati..... 0 5 1
New York..... 5 14 1
Deringer, Stout and Lombardi; Schumacher and Mancuso.

R. H. E.
St. Louis..... 7 14 1
Philadelphia..... 6 15 2
Grimes, Walker, Haines, Carleton and Wilson, O'Farrell; Ragland, P. Collins and Davis.

R. H. E.
Chicago..... 1 8 1
Boston..... 6 10 0
Tinning and Hartnett; Frankhouse and Spohrer.

INQUIRING REPORTER

Each day as the Inquiring Reporter makes the rounds two persons will be stopped at random on the street corner and asked some question of the day. Through the courtesy of Manager C. M. Wight each interviewed will be granted two complimentary tickets to the Liberty Theatre. The current attraction is James Dunn and Gloria Stuart in the "The Girl in 419."

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