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## FORCING MELODRAMA

A good many people have toyed lately with the idea that the news-hungry citizen ought to be able to sit at home in his arm chair and have the news of the day wafted to his receptive ears from the loud-speaker of his radio. In theory, it's not a bad idea. In practice, it seems to be a completely non-explosive dud.

Not long ago a gang of convicts escaped from the Indiana state prison. An Indiana radio station immediately set to work to broadcast the story of the man hunt. The man hunt wasn't having a great deal of luck right at the moment, and some radio official decided that the listeners-in deserved more excitement than the plain facts were likely to provide. So that part of the public which tried to get its news out of the loud-speaker began to hear a wild and woolly tale of a running gun battle, with a juicy slice of trumped-up melodrama substituted for facts.

As a result, the listeners-in were hoaxed and the enforcement officers who were trying to catch the convicts found the work seriously hampered. In a protest to the Federal Radio Commission, Capt. Matt Leach of the Indiana state police asserts: "This broadcast seriously interfered with the work of the 65 state police under my command and a considerable number of other enforcement officers. . . We wasted several hours of precious time. . . Telephone wires of the state police at their barracks in Chesterton, Ind., were tied up for several hours by persons who apparently had heard the broadcast and were calling for information."

So the net result of all this was that the attempt to catch the convicts was hampered, some scores of citizens were frightened badly — and nobody knew just what was happening until the daily papers came around with the real facts in the case. This is just the sort of thing that has happened over and over again in radio news broadcasts. The Los Angeles earthquake some time ago took on the proportions of one of the great disasters of all time—until the newspapers came out with the truth.

Wild-eyed announcers have told us of frenzied and sensational prize fights—which, next day, turned out to be affairs so spiritless and slow that the participants were almost tossed out of the ring for failing to try. The Indiana man hunt was a desperate gun battle — until the newspaper reporters turned in their reports.

So it goes. The loud-speaker may be a fine medium for hearing feminine-voiced tenors and vaudeville. For accounts of the day's news, it seems to be a good deal less than reliable.

## Move Made to Steady The Erratic Dollar

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of capital and the offering of dollars on foreign exchange, on the strength of which the dollar underwent a spectacular recovery late yesterday in New York.

The purpose behind the domestic and foreign purchases is to increase the price of gold in the expectation

of influencing commodity prices upward. The latter have shown a definite trend toward higher levels which has been extremely gratifying to the administration.  
NEW YORK, Nov. 17 (AP) — It was emphatically denied at the New York Federal Reserve bank today that George L. Harrison, its governor, had given any assurance to French financial authorities that a definite, stable price for gold would be fixed in the American market.

## The Weather

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
Oregon: Generally fair tonight and Saturday, but valley fogs in the west portion; little change in temperature; gentle changeable winds offshore.  
**LOCAL WEATHER**  
Thursday: Maximum 46, minimum 29 above. Cloudy.  
Today: Minimum 35, 7 a. m. — 33 above. Partly cloudy.

## REVIEW FINDS SALES GAINS DURING WEEK

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and rubber footwear.  
The trend of industrial indices, the recession in several of which was checked last week, now has resumed an upward course.

## AT THE LIBERTY



George O'Brien and Betty King Rose in a scene from "Smoke Lightning," a Fox picture.  
The railroad, the automobile and the airplane may have changed the appearance of the old West, but the spirit of adventure and of romance keeps alive there still, according to George O'Brien, noted portrayer of western screen roles who is doing his share to maintain such traditions.  
O'Brien's latest Fox offering, "Smoke Lightning," comes Saturday to the Liberty theatre. It is an adaptation of Zane Grey's exciting novel, "Canyon Walls."  
Neil O'Day and little Betty King Rose, juvenile stunt rider, have the principal feminine roles in the production, which David Howard directed. Frank Atkinson, Morgan Wallace and Clarence Wilson head the supporting cast.

# TODAY IN BRIEF, IN AND AROUND OREGON

AS CHRONICLED BY THE DAILY LEASED WIRE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### PENILETON BOY KILLED

PENILETON, Nov. 17 (AP) — Elmore Lee, 6, son of Ray Lee, well known Chinese here, was fatally injured yesterday when he was struck by a switch engine as he ran across the tracks.

### LINCOLN'S COUSIN DIES

MOLALLA, Nov. 17 (AP) — Oliver Robbins, 93, Oregon pioneer of 1852 who claimed to be a distant cousin of Abraham Lincoln, died here Thursday.

### MAN DROWNED

MARSHFIELD, Nov. 17 (AP) — Howard Houghton, 25, of Bendon, drowned late Thursday when a heavy sea capsized a motor fishing boat in which he was working with three other men. The Bendon life saving station rescued William Libbo, Clyde Allen and Paul Pleaser, who were thrown in the water.

### GAS EXPLOSION BURNS WOMAN

BEND, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP) — Explosion of gasoline with which she was cleaning clothes seriously burned Mrs. Guy Dittmer yesterday. The resultant flames destroyed her house and damaged an adjoining residence. Static electricity from the garment being rinsed in the gasoline was blamed for the explosion.

### WOMAN SURRENDERS

PORTLAND, Nov. 17 (AP) — After having been sought by deputies for ten hours, Mrs. A. Henrietta Vollbrecht, 55, surrendered at police headquarters here last night to answer to a murder warrant charging her with the death of Gerhard Hermann Hebers, 72, retired cattle buyer. The complaint charges she administered poison to Hebers while nursing him during his fatal illness. A will left by Hebers left Mrs. Vollbrecht the bulk of his estate.

### MANY ARRESTS; NO CONVICTIONS

SALEM, Nov. 17 (AP) — Although arrests for drunken driving have increased sharply this year in Salem, not one conviction on that count has been obtained.  
Severity of the minimum penalty on conviction is blamed by the police judge and city attorney for the lack of convictions.

For fear of thieves, police at Marion, Ind., lock their expensive armored automobile in a strong garage when it is not in use.

## M. F. VAN HOUSEN BURIED THURSDAY

Funeral services for the late Millard F. Van Housen were held yesterday in Portland and interment was made in the Rose City cemetery. Mr. Van Housen's death occurred Thursday, Nov. 14, and while he had been in an invalid condition, particularly since a fall a few years ago, when he sustained a fractured hip, his death was caused by some heart trouble.  
The Van Housen family are very well known in this county, having been residents here for many years. The family lived near Allice, where Mr. Van Housen made a record in the matter of service as rural mail carrier. Mrs. Van Housen was a sister of the late Mrs. Charles Playle. Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Carrie Van Housen, three daughters, Mrs. Hazel Oliver, Mrs. Gladys Frampton and Nancy and two sons, Orlan, of Union, and Ted.

## CAR COLLIDES WITH 2 OTHERS

A car driven by W. W. Cass collided with two parked cars at M and Fourth at 9:35 o'clock last night, and Mr. Cass, in his report to the police, blamed slippery and wet pavement for the accident. Earlier in the day a load of hay was upset at the intersection and the remains are said to have added to the slipperiness of the pavement.  
No one was hurt. The other cars belonged to A. V. Andrews and Elmo Stevenson.

## L. H. S. Gym Filled To Capacity For Drama

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important one since it was so well portrayed by Mildred Keagle. John Williams as the truckman also was well done.  
The entire cast played with the conviction of professionals and threw themselves into the mood created by the inimitable Booth Tarkington.  
Music was furnished between acts by the High school orchestra, directed by Andrewoney Jr.

## FIND IT HERE

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Presbyterian Bazaar Sale, Church basement, Saturday, 9 o'clock. 11-15-33

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PRACTICE SHOOT SUNDAY  
Turkey shoot Sun. Nov. 26. La Grande Gun Club. 11-17-13

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COOKED FOOD SALE  
Willow P. T. A. cooked food sale at Noah's. Sat. Nov. 18. 11-17-13

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NEW DINNERWARE  
A 53-pc. set, service for 8 at \$10.65. A 56-pc. set, service for 8 at \$12.50. At Melville's. 11-17-13

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Currier's Tablets at Moon Drug Co. 11-6-1 m.

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NEW DINNERWARE  
32-pc. sets in a number of attractive designs. Priced at \$3.95. Just arrived at Melville's. 11-16-13

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SALE  
Pre-Christmas Sale of hundreds of beautiful and useful articles. Suitable as Gifts, values from \$1.00 to \$3.00 for 50 cents. These specials will be featured in the right hand window of Richardson's Art and Gift Shop and will be changed daily. You will profit greatly by watching this window from day to day and picking out the things which appeal to you at a real saving, at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop. 11-15-4 f.

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SHAREHOLDERS MEETING  
Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of La Grande, Oregon, is called to be held at the City Hall at La Grande, Oregon, at 10:00 a. m., Saturday, December 2, 1933.  
This meeting is called to determine the policy of this bank relative to Federal Deposit Insurance and other

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## Health

**RELIEVING MINOR INJURIES**  
One of the minor but cruelly painful accidents which one may suffer is a blow on the tip of a finger, causing the formation of a blood clot under the nail.  
The bed of the finger nail is extremely sensitive. The pain of the injury arises out of the fact that hemorrhage develops between the finger nail and its bed. The pain is due to the pressure of the blood, as well as to the blow on the nail.  
In this type of injury, relief may be gained by drilling a small hole through the finger nail and liberating the accumulated blood. It is a very simple operation that avoids needless suffering.  
The nail may be drilled through painlessly with the point of the blade of a pocket knife. Comparatively few turns will make a small hole. The blood will escape and relief will be gained almost instantaneously.  
While the operation is simple, there are a few important precautions to observe.  
The knife should be sterilized by heating and the nail should be painted with tincture of iodine both before and after the drilling. A bandage should be placed over the punctured nail.  
An equally annoying minor accident is running a splinter into one's skin. We call a splinter a minor accident because it does not do much damage. However, one must always bear in mind the fact that the splinter may carry infection and may indeed be a serious threat to life.  
In removing a splinter, it should be attacked from the rear. If one digs for it at the point of its entrance, the tendency is to drive it deeper, whereas if one attacks the splinter from the rear, one can push it out.  
When the splinter has been removed, the path of its entrance into the body should be laid open and sterilized with tincture of iodine.

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**SCHOOL CHILDREN**  
You can get scratch paper for school at the Observer. Nov 2 pgs 5c. 9-14-1 f.

**Oregon Team Finds Cool Weather, L. A.**  
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 17 (AP)—Pleased with the cool weather that greeted them, 30 University of Oregon football players arrived here today with their coach, Frank Callison, seeking a victory over Southern California tomorrow and with it the Pacific Coast conference championship and the probable Rose Bowl bid.

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