

Hood River Resident Kills Child and Self

Crazed With Jealousy, Mrs. Walsh, Former Resident of This City Attempts the Life of Her Husband-- Miss Shaw Charged With Breaking Up Home That Results in Double Tragedy.

Mrs. Walsh, who shot and killed her son, Vincent, aged 4 years, and then fired three shots at her husband, and later shot and killed herself, in her home in Portland, was a former Hood River resident.

Mrs. Walsh was formerly Mrs. A. E. Davis of this city. Her husband was in the employ of the Hood River News and died here in 1906.

The Portland account of the tragedy reads:

Tuesday after killing her son, Vincent, aged 4 years, and firing three shots at her husband, R. W. Walsh, Mrs. Nettie Walsh, aged 28, shot herself with fatal results at the Walsh home, 848 East Stark street Tuesday morning.

Shortly before the tragedy, Mrs. Walsh telephoned to a private detective named Dillon and told him he need not serve a warrant which she had caused to be issued for husband and Miss Shaw.

"This thing is going to be settled. It will be settled by me and I will settle it now in this house," called Mrs. Walsh over the phone.

The crime came as a sequence to a series of threats and attempts which have continued for more than a week, but which were not taken seriously until a few days ago when Mrs. Walsh armed herself with a revolver, and tried to find her husband and Josephine Shaw, who she is said to have been insanely jealous of and with whom she thought her husband was infatuated.

The couple were caught in a lonely cabin on the Clackamas road and Mrs. Walsh, who had enlisted the aid of Deputy Sheriff Miles, of Clackamas county, whipped out a revolver, threatening to kill her husband and the girl. Miles grabbed the enraged woman in time to prevent a tragedy and it was thought the domestic difficulties of the couple were at an end when they consented to forget their troubles Sunday.

So far as is known no quarrels have taken place between them since the reconciliation and the first indication that Mrs. Walsh still harbored the jealous rage came this morning when she slipped into the kitchen where Walsh was ironing a collar.

"I'm going to kill you, you dirty dog," she screamed as she whipped the revolver from her waist and pointing it at the man, fired it three times.

Walsh made no attempt to cope with his wife but leaped out of a window. Mrs. Walsh returned to the bedroom, where the child was playing. She fired a shot at Vincent and the babe fled shrieking with terror to an adjoining room. Mrs. Walsh fired two more shots at the

back of the child's head, both bullets taking effect and killing him instantly.

Mrs. Walsh had used every shell in the revolver and stopped to reload the weapon. This accomplished she turned the muzzle against her right cheek and fired twice. The bullets crashed through her head. She fell unconscious, her brains dripping from the wound.

Life remained in Mrs. Walsh's body and the Red Cross ambulance rushed her to St. Vincent's, where she died at 2:20 p. m. The child's body was taken to the morgue.

A few days before the tragedy Mrs. Walsh telephoned to Miss Shaw, who lives at Oak Grove, and told her to leave Walsh alone. This made Walsh furious, and he informed his wife that he would leave her and never return.

Having an income, Mrs. Walsh kept her husband in funds, although he occasionally worked as a taxi-driver. Miss Shaw was employed as a clerk for the Portland Taxi Company until a few days ago, when she quit. Walsh left his job about the same time. Private Detective Dillon has been employed by the wife for some time, and to him was entrusted the warrant for the arrest of Walsh and Miss Shaw, which Mrs. Walsh said not to serve when she was about to shoot. Dillon thinks that Mrs. Walsh was treated in a shameful manner by Walsh. After the crime when Walsh fled to Willamette on the St. Johns line, the private detective started after him. The revolver used this morning was got the one which Mrs. Walsh tried to use Sunday on her husband and the girl near Oak Grove, for that weapon is still in Dillon's possession. To Chief Slover Mrs. Walsh said that she has a married sister in Portland, and her own income comes from the East, and that she was to receive \$2000 next month.

NATIONAL APPLE BUILDING RUSHED

The large apple cold storage plant of the National Apple company that is being built near the west approach of the steel bridge on the line of the Mt. Hood Railroad is being rushed to completion. A large crew of carpenters are at work on the heavy frame work of the structure. The stiles and floor joists are being treated to a waterproofing process. Manager Sprout states that they will be ready to store apples as soon as the season requires. A large 75-ton ice plant will furnish the refrigeration. A 75-horse power motor will be used to furnish the power. A contract has been signed with the Hood River Gas & Electric company to furnish the needed electrical energy.

WILMER SIEG LEAVES ON TRIP EAST

Wilmer Sieg left Thursday morning on the Spokane Flyer for a trip to eastern states in the interest of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union of which he is manager. Mr. Sieg will visit all of the principal apple markets in the eastern states and will prepare to line up the business for the fall shipment of apples and pears. It is the policy of the union to make the widest distribution of Hood River apples this year that it is possible to make, and to make preparations for the disposition of the future crops of the union. Mr. Sieg's extensive acquaintance in the eastern states prominently fits him for the task which he has undertaken.

E. R. PARKER OPENS NEW GARAGE

E. R. Parker, one of Hood River's premier chauffeurs who has been running the "Jack Rabbit" for the accommodation of the public, has opened a garage in the Dr. Watt concrete building at the foot of Fourth street. Mr. Parker is a practical mechanic and understands the chug wagon's ills and evils to a leather edge. A complete line of machinery has been installed and E. R. is ready for any business in his line.

POPULAR PASTOR TO PREACH AGAIN

At the solicitation of many of the business men and members of the Methodist church, Dr. A. H. Lathrop, a former pastor here, has consented to preach again in Hood River, Sunday, July 28, at the M. E. church. Dr. Lathrop has been given a four-weeks' vacation by his church at Creston, Iowa, where his pulpit is being supplied without cost to him. The First M. E. church of Creston is one of the best appointments in the Des Moines conference, and pays its pastor \$2300 per year. Just before Dr. Lathrop's leave of absence, the official board asked for his return for another year with an increase of \$200 salary. The Creston church cost \$45,000 and has one of the finest pipe organs in the state. It seats 1200 people. Dr. Lathrop preaches regularly to from 800 to 1000 people. The membership of the church numbers 700. The singing is done by a splendid male quartet.

OFFICIAL STATISTICS HOOD RIVER COUNTY

The official statistics of Hood River county and city compiled by the bureau of census for the year 1910 gives the following figures: Population County..... 8,016 City..... 2,331 By precincts: Baldwin..... 1,084 East Hood River..... 1,024 Falls..... 819 Hood River Center..... 1,397 Odell..... 736 South Hood River..... 1,345 West Hood River..... 1,331 Population Hood River: 1890..... 201 1900..... 736 1910..... 2,331 The per cent of increase in population in the city of Hood River for the past 10 years as compared with other cities in the state places Hood River pretty well at the head of the class.

LOCAL PHYSICIAN SUED FOR \$50,000 DAMAGES

Elmer Percy Adams, of the Upper Valley, has filed suit in the circuit court for Hood River county against Dr. F. C. Brosius asking for \$50,000 damages because the doctor failed to reach the home of the plaintiff on call to attend Mrs. Adams, wife of the plaintiff, in a case of illness. It is alleged in the complaint that Mrs. Adams met with an accident that caused premature childbirth and that Dr. Brosius was called but after traveling part way to the place of the plaintiff, defendant refused further to pursue his journey, and that in so doing the defendant was neglectful and careless. Dr. Kanaga was called at 2 o'clock the following morning and arrived at the plaintiff's home four hours later and found Mrs. Adams in a sinking condition and that she sank to her death. For the mental anguish caused the plaintiff he asks for the sum of \$50,000 damages. Attorneys J. H. Stevenson, J. F. Logan and I. N. Smith of Portland are attorneys for the plaintiff. Dr. Brosius is one of the pioneer physicians of Hood River and has always been prominently identified with the social and civic interests of the city and valley. He has been a large property holder in Hood River and a member of the city council for many years. The case will be filed for trial at the October term of court.

Horticultural Chautauqua Assured for Valley

Executive Committee Appointed from City and County Organizations Holds Meeting and Arrange for Preliminaries. Upper Valley Site to be Selected for Scene of Gathering.

The Hood River Valley Horticultural Chautauqua is a sure go and you might as well get ready for the big time. A meeting of the Executive committee consisting of Leslie Butler, John R. Putnam, Geo. I. Sargent, A. W. Peters and H. Connoway was held at the Commercial Club rooms Monday forenoon and arrangements were made for the initial work of the society. Secretary Scott of the Commercial Club was elected permanent secretary of the organization. The permanent name for the organization will be adopted at the first meeting when all present will be given an opportunity to vote their preference. The first meeting this season will be held in August from the 22nd to the 24th. A site will be chosen in the Upper Valley either at Parkdale or the Lava Beds. Arrangements will be made for transportation from Parkdale in the event that the Lava Beds are chosen. Arrangements will be made to rent tents for the entire session if you prefer this method to bringing your own tents. Get in touch with the committee on grounds and information will be gladly given. If you want them to select a camping place for you, let the committee know. The following committees were appointed by the executive committee and it was arranged to have one member of this committee serve on each of the sub-committees. Grounds and tents: B. E. Duncan, Stanton Allen, Geo. I. Sargent, C. K. Marshall, M. D. Odell and G. D. Woodworth. Transportation and Finance: C. W. Hooker, P. S. Davidson, A. I. Mason, G. M. Uptegrove and G. E. Furgesson. Commissary: John Mohr, C. D. Thompson, Frank Davidson, Ralph Root, H. Connoway and J. R. Putnam. Publicity: J. D. Thomson and C. D. Nickelsen.

MAZAMAS MAKE RECORD RUN

The sixty mountain climbers, who arrived in Hood River for the trip to Mt. Hood, were transferred by special train to Parkdale over the Mt. Hood Railroad company's line. As soon as the party entered the train they proceeded to prepare their lunch to eat on the way, believing that they would have "time to throw at the birds." However, things proved different, and before the party had their lunches half eaten the train whistled for Parkdale, greatly to the surprise of the tourists. The run was made from Hood River in 50 minutes. This is at a clip of about 50 miles per hour, the passenger schedule between Portland and Hood River.

Pioneer Itinerant Fills Local Church Pulpit

Rev. F. R. Spaulding Preaches to Methodist Congregation and Tells Church of Life in Hood River Over a Quarter of a Century Ago. Says Old Time Revival Spirit Needed in Churches Today.

Rev. F. R. Spaulding, who is one of the pioneer preachers in the Hood River valley, preached to a large congregation at the Methodist church Sunday morning on the subject of "Man's Relationship to Christ," and held his hearers with deep interest during his sermon.

Frank Spaulding, as he was commonly known to the earlier settlers of the Hood River valley, was one of the first preachers to invade Hood River with the message of Christianity. Frank was a veritable cyclone in his early days. He was eloquent and logical; clean in the use of words and sincere in the superlative. He could crowd more words into the space of thirty minutes in his younger days than any preacher who has ever visited Hood River. "Billy" Sunday and Dan Shannon not excepted.

Frank came to Hood River nearly 30 years ago and at a time when the religious center of this section was located at Belmont. It was here that the annual campmeetings were held that stirred the region round about. Campers came from all sections and remained during the meetings. Frank was the kingpin and

every one knew that if he was there things would go. Often when the crowds would crowd the preacher off the pulpit platform in order to find a place to sit down, Frank could as easily walk a narrow plank or the back railing of a seat while he was preaching as the average clergyman could stand with safety on a twentieth century pulpit platform. Rev. Spaulding was pastor of the Methodist church in this city about 14 years ago.

TRIO HAVE NARROW ESCAPE ON HOOD

Will Huggins, Ed Franz and Fred Coshow, three young men from the city, had a narrow escape on Mt. Hood Sunday as they made the ascent of the mountain. The three young men made the climb without a guide, leaving camp at 6 o'clock in the morning. However, after climbing about two-thirds of the way up, a sudden storm arose and nearly swept the boys from off their feet. It was with difficulty that they were able to retain their footing on the steep icy glaciers. A heavy hail storm added to the misery of the occasion. The storm arose without warning and after a futile attempt to retain their ground the young men were forced to return down the mountain to camp.

W. O. W. HOLD ANNUAL ELECTION

At a meeting of the local camp Women of Woodcraft held at the K. of P. hall Thursday evening, the following officers were elected to serve for the following year: Mrs. Julia Wall, Guardian Neighbor; Mrs. Katherine Slaven, Advisor; Mrs. Mary Eby, Magician; Mrs. Helen Norton, Captain of Guards; Miss Lenora Wall, Musician; Mrs. Mattie Nickelsen, Attendant; Mrs. Anna Anderson, Inside Sentinel.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH HOLDS BIG EATS

"Big Time Here Tonight, Much Eatn' Going On, Kome" was the sign that struck the pedestrians in the face as they passed along Park street Thursday in front of the Christian church. As the night shades began to gather the "eatn'" crowd wended its way to the grove north of the tabernacle and after a social hour spent in handshaking and joyous conversation there sure enough was "much eatn'" going on. Ice cream and cake were served by a number of pretty young girls that made most fellows eat two dishes before he obeyed the promptings of his better judgment to give the other fellow a show.

HOOD RIVER COUNTY LOSES A CITIZEN

Through a description forwarded the sheriff of Marion county by the penitentiary authorities it was learned Wednesday that an "honor man" by the name of Henry Jones had effected his escape from Camp Benson near Hood River on July 14. He was serving a sentence of from one to seven years from Douglas county. Murray Kay, county surveyor, has charge of the engineering work, but has nothing to do with the guarding of the honor crew.

City Disposes of the First Block of Bonds

\$36,000 Worth of City Bonds Sold to Seattle Firm at Good Premium---Money to Be Used to Pay for Water Plant---Bond Buyers Eager After Issue.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night, there were 13 bids in the hands of the recorder for the \$36,000 bonds placed on the market by the city, and a large number of the companies entering bids had their representatives on the ground. The bonds were sold to the firm of Carstens & Earles, of Seattle, for a premium of \$1051 for 10-year 5 1/2 per cent paper.

A bid was submitted by Cansey Foster & Co., of Denver, who offered \$800 premium on the issue with the interest at 5 per cent. However, the representative had failed to insert the interest rate in his bid, and while present to state to the council that it was an oversight, it was ruled that the bid would be irregular and was therefore not considered. The \$36,000 will be used to redeem the outstanding warrants given to pay for the city water system.

A petition was presented to the council by residents on Oak street asking that oil bond macadam be

laid from 4th to 10th streets.

Residents of Cascade ave. petitioned to have the street cleaned and alled.

Geo. Lawrence sent a communication to the council protesting against the laying of asphalt or bitumiltite on the cross streets, and recommended beveled brick or macadam.

The city marshal was ordered to notify property holders who have trees near the sidewalk to keep them trimmed high enough to be out of the way of pedestrians.

The recorder was ordered to advertise for bids so recodify and print the ordinances.

A motion was made to declare the circus ground a nuisance when so occupied. The health committee will settle the matter.

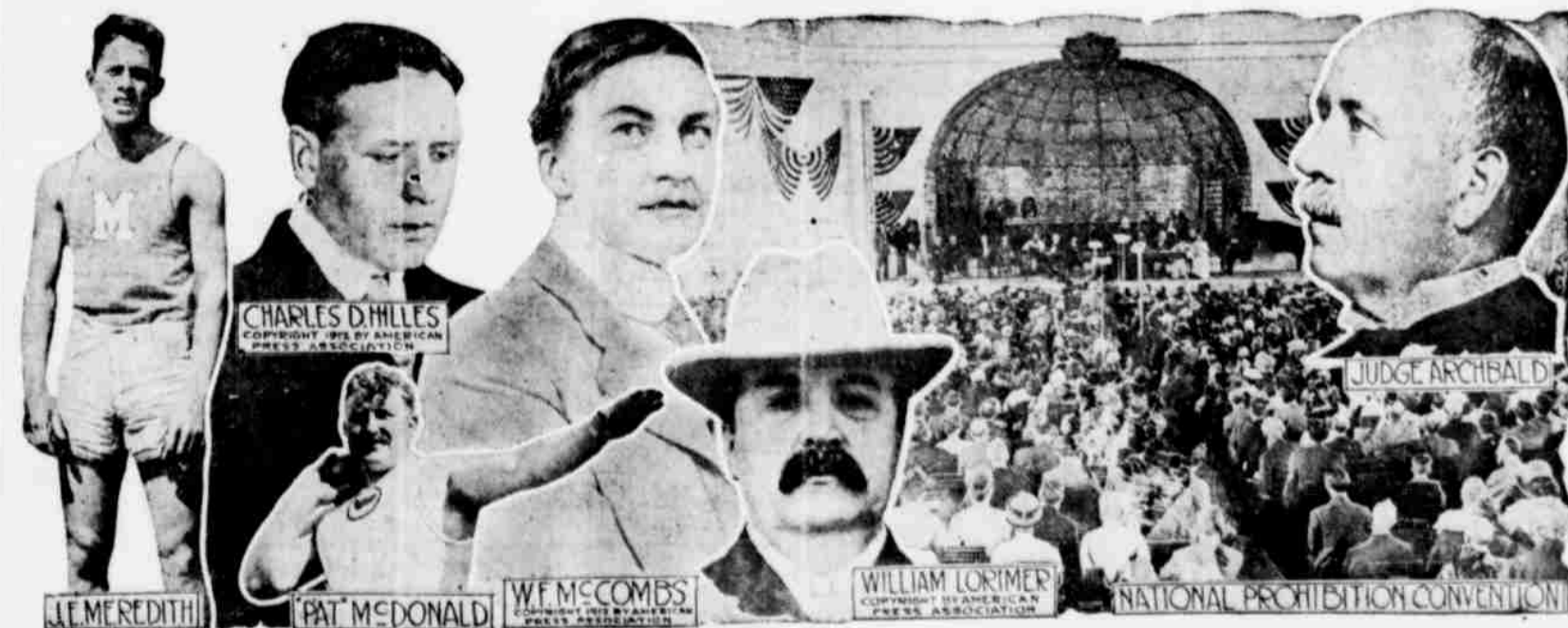
New service pipes are to be connected with the Oak street main.

It was proposed that a committee from the council and a committee of citizens be sent to Portland to investigate the several kinds of pavements to determine what would be best for Hood River.

A bill for damages amounting to \$100 was filed against the city by Ed Lage for damage sustained to his buggy and injuries to his wife as a result of the gravel pile in the street near the National Apple company's warehouse, that caused the buggy to upset. The matter was referred to the judiciary committee.

NEW PIPE ORGAN DELIGHTS AUDIENCE

Riverside Congregational church is the pioneer church to install a full-grown pipe organ in Hood River. A large number of the members of the congregation gathered at the church to hear the new instrument and all were pleased with the demonstration made by an expert pipe organist who gave an informal concert on the new organ. The instrument is of the two-manual type and is especially sweet toned in the lower and softer registers. It is expected to have the new church ready for dedication by the first of September.



News Snapshots Of the Week

The national Prohibition convention was held in Atlantic City, N. J. American athletes triumphed at the Olympic games in Stockholm. Pat McDonald broke the world's record for the shotput with a heave of 50 feet 4 inches, and Meredith, a schoolboy, created a new world's record when he ran 800 meters in 1 minute 59.9-10 seconds. William F. McCombs was offered the management of the Wilson campaign, and Charles D. Hilles was chosen to take charge of the Taft forces. The United States senate decided the case of William Lorimer of Illinois. The house voted to impeach Judge Robert W. Archbald.