

SLAYER'S SISTER CARRIED MESSAGES

Creffield Made Second Holy Roller Rendezvous at Camp in Lincoln County.

SPELL CALLS OLD VICTIMS

Husband, Robbed of Wife, Follows With Revolver and, Though Unable to Kill, Frightens the "Prophet" Away.

CORVALLIS, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—It is not an overstatement of the fact to say that the news of the death in Seattle this morning of Creffield was received here with universal satisfaction. With him removed, there will be no "Holy Rollers" here or elsewhere. During the time Creffield was in the Penitentiary, the eyes of his former victims were turned to him in admiration and respect. He was a man of great energy and his so-called doctrines with contempt. Immediately after his release last December, activity began among his former followers, most of whom repaired to the late camp near Waldport. Among those who went was Miss Mitchell, a girl of 19, whose brother is now in jail as a result of the shooting of Creffield. She is still with such of the Rollers as have tarried in the vicinity of the seaside camp.

Miss Mitchell was one of the most violent of Creffield during the Summer and Fall of 1903, when the Rollers made their first pyrotechnic appearance in this city, in which they attracted notice all over the city. At the time so many of the victims were sent to the State Insane Asylum as crazed, Miss Mitchell was sent to the Boys' and Girls' Home at Portland. She was then about 15 years of age, and an intelligent and very amiable young woman. After being released from the Portland Home, she was taken to her parents' home and there remained until recently.

Mitchell Girl the Messenger. It was Miss Mitchell that acted as a go-between in carrying messages from Creffield, after his release from the Penitentiary, to his former wife in this city, who secured a divorce and Creffield's commitment to prison. The former Mrs. Creffield had given up all ideas concerning Rollers and was living a quiet, peaceful life with her parents in Astoria. She was always an amiable and eminent respectable young woman, of more than ordinary intelligence. The name of Creffield and the former doctrines are understood to have become hateful to her until after Creffield's release.

Anticipating trouble after Creffield's return to liberty, the father kept Creffield under surveillance with the expectation that the bogus prophet would attempt to communicate with his former wife and other victims of his doctrine. Creffield, however, then in California, induced Miss Mitchell, then at Oregon City, to come to Corvallis, bearing messages that resulted in a revival of former practices, and ultimately in the remarriage of the divorced wife to Creffield, which took place in Seattle in February or March.

Induced Brother to Kill. This using of his sister for the pernicious purposes of his foul nature is one of the influences that aroused young Mitchell to the extent he visited upon Creffield this morning.

There was, also, another influence. Mrs. B. E. Starr, of Portland, is another woman, whose illicit relations with Creffield led to his commitment to the Penitentiary to serve a two-year sentence. Like the other victims, Creffield and his doctrines, and was residing quietly with her husband in Portland.

A week ago last Sunday Mrs. Starr arrived here on the train, and she and the other Rollers, then supposed to be camped near Waldport, from Corvallis she made her way, traveling most of the time afoot, to the residence of 30 miles. Creffield had, however, disappeared from Waldport by the time she reached Astoria.

In leaving her family in Portland Mrs. Starr deserted a 7-month-old babe and other children. This was another influence which, with the knowledge that the law could not reach Creffield's case, induced young Starr to seek redress in the young man here hold him in the very highest esteem. The wrongs that he has suffered at the hands of Creffield cannot be overestimated. Creffield, depicted. The same is true of other homes across which his shadow has fallen.

Cast a Powerful Spell. That Creffield's so-called religion was a cloak for the basest practices is not doubted. The hypnotic, or otherwise, enabled him to exercise powerful control over his female followers, is universally believed here.

The day the Creffield family passed through Benton County on his way to the Waldport camp a wife and daughter in a Corvallis home left on the same train on which he and his followers took passage at Waldport, six miles west of Corvallis. Finding that the husband and father in this home had discovered their flight and was on the same train, the wife and daughter left the train at Blodgett and traveled about via Summit, Toledo, Yaquina and other points, down the beach to a point between Waldport and a distance of 20 or 30 miles. The husband, who was Louis Hartley, followed them.

Gun Would Not Work. At Newport Hartley purchased a revolver and ammunition and went gunning for Creffield. The account is that he got in reach of the man and that he snapped his gun five times at the prophet, but the gun failed to fire because the cartridges were unfired, while the weapon was central fire.

The knowledge that outraged husbands or other relatives would not tolerate the resumption of Rollers in the Waldport camp is believed to have put Creffield to flight to save his life. He did not come out from Waldport the same way that he went in. His means and route of leaving there are unknown here. His flight, however, through here and Albany a week ago today, alone, and went thence through Portland to Seattle.

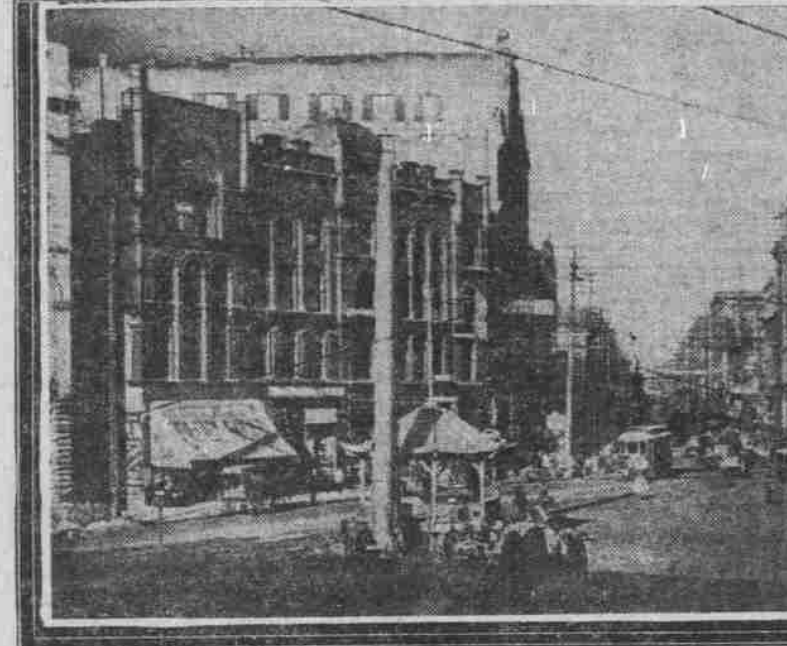
Another home that has been terribly outraged is that of Victor Hurt, whose sufferings as a result of Creffield's teachings and practices cannot be told in words. His wife, two daughters and son were all at one time in the asylum. One of his daughters is Mrs. Creffield.

Defiance to Injured Father. It is stated that when in San Francisco, shortly after his release from the penitentiary, Creffield wrote Mr. Hurt: "I have my foot on your neck now, and I intend to keep it there until you die." Since his release from the penitentiary Creffield taught his followers that he was the risen Christ, his rising being his emergence from prison and his death being his captivity there. He also claimed that it was his curse that destroyed San

EDMUND (JOSHUA) CREFFIELD WHO WAS KILLED IN SEATTLE AND SCENE OF THE SHOOTING



EDWIN CREFFIELD



FIRST AVENUE, SEATTLE. CIRCLE INDICATES CORNER OF FIRST AVENUE AND CHERRY STREET, WHERE CREFFIELD WAS SHOT.

Francisco and that he had a similar curse on Portland and Corvallis. The sensational rise of Creffield into notoriety was in the Summer of 1903. In that month he held meetings in Corvallis. On account of the noise made in their worship, the authorities sent them out of town. Then they went into camp a few miles south of Corvallis, where they occupied the Hurt house, where, by the burning of furniture, wearing apparel and other unnatural practices, they became conspicuous all over Christendom. Among other signs of the wide publicity given them was the receipt here of a copy of the Scot, published at Edinburgh, containing a two-column story of their doings.

At the time of the furniture burning, a sign conspicuously displayed was at the garden gate, but there by Creffield, was: "Positively no admittance except on the Rollers' roll." In their worship, the Rollers rolled on the floor, groaned, screamed, prayed, shouted and otherwise gave evidence of great bodily and mental agitation.

Creffield was tarred and feathered by Corvallisites on the night of January 4, 1904. A companion named Brooks, formerly a Salvation Army officer, underwent the process with him. Twelve men were engaged in the affair, which took place under the light of a Winter moon near the Corvallis sawmill. At the time, Creffield and Brooks were occupying a house across the Willamette from Corvallis, along with eight or ten young women. The house was forced open by the White Caps and the two men were brought across the river into Benton County, where the tar and feathers were applied. Both men disappeared and nothing was known of either thereafter until one day Creffield was found under the house of Mr. Hurt. The bogus prophet's body was entirely nude, and his frame a mass of skin and bones.

That happened July 30, 1904. Creffield was held prisoner for at that time by the Portland officers on a charge of adultery. It was supposed that he had been hidden under the Hurt house for a period of four months, during which extra freight was collected and sent to the Rollers. He was discovered by a small boy, and was taken to Portland, where he was tried and sent to the penitentiary.

WRECKED AT TUNNEL MOUTH Santa Fe Freight Strikes Defective Rail and Road is Blocked.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., May 7.—This morning while emerging from tunnel No. 4, a short distance above Bealville, engine 1435 of a westbound Santa Fe extra freight struck a defective rail, badly wrecking the engine and seriously injuring Engineer W. C. Pickering. Fireman Platter was caught under the wreckage of the engine, but by his presence of mind in shutting off the fire, he prevented the wreck catching fire and causing further destruction of property and loss of life.

The tunnel is a mass of wreckage, many of the cars having been derailed and smashed to splinters. The injured trainmen were brought to Bakersfield by Conductor Houghton in a special train. All traffic over the mountain is at a standstill. It is expected the wreck will be cleared this evening.

Strike in Sympathy With Linemen. SPOKANE, May 7.—A dozen inside wiremen of the Washington Water Power Company went on strike today in sympathy with the linemen who struck last week. No overtures for settlement have been made, the company stating it is hiring new men and accepting orders for new work. The Central Labor Union may be asked to take action.

The Water Power Company controls the electric lighting plant and most of the city street railways.

CAREER OF CREFFIELD

BORN IN SWEDEN, DESERTED FROM GERMAN ARMY.

Sent to Corvallis by Salvation Army. He Attracted Followers, Who Became Insane.

Edwin Creffield, self-styled Joshua, and leader of the "Bride of Christ Church," whose members were nicknamed Holy Rollers, was a convict and teacher of one of the most bestial forms of faith. It is thought by many to have received his just deserts when he was shot and killed yesterday in Seattle by George Mitchell, brother of one of the fanatic's victims. The news of his death in quarters where he was best known was generally received gladly and probably very few expressions of sympathy were entertained by those who knew of the practices of the Holy Rollers.

During his short career as a "Joshua," all too long for those who were affected by his fanaticism, he passed through a strenuous existence. Creffield was born in Sweden about 23 years ago, and is said to have had wealthy and well-educated parents. He deserted from the German army and came to America. He joined the Salvation Army when he came to Portland and soon after was sent to Salem and Corvallis. While there, Creffield met one named Mercer and the two organized what they called the "Bride of Christ Church."

Mercer soon withdrew from the apostate church, but the followers of Creffield, who soon collected almost 100 members. He dubbed himself Joshua and made his followers believe that he would develop into a second Elijah. His camp meetings attracted a wide criticism and his teachings, part of which was spiritual love, were universally condemned. Finally a number of local citizens of Corvallis, whose wives and daughters had been attracted to the Holy Rolling community, failed the church and offered a reward for his capture. Creffield returned to Corvallis the following morning, where the tar and feathers were scraped from his body by friends. Creffield then went to Albany, where he married Maud Hurt.

The Creffields then came to Portland and visited at the home of B. E. Starr, who had left Corvallis to get his wife away from the evil influences of Creffield, filed a charge against the fanatic. Creffield escaped, but was captured and offered a reward for his capture. Creffield returned to Corvallis the following morning, where the tar and feathers were scraped from his body by friends. Creffield then went to Albany, where he married Maud Hurt.

His fanaticism developed itself in court as it has done at the camp meetings. Refusing the services of a lawyer and with a Bible in his hand, he quoted scripture in his defense and harangued the jury on the justice of his religion. A jury returned a verdict of guilty, and Creffield was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. He made no plea for mercy, saying only that he, like Christ, was misunderstood. His sentence was commuted and last February he was released.

Again working up fanatical enthusiasm among a few of his followers, he took them to Waldport, where he again tried to carry on his practices. He was given to understand, however, by the residents there that his camp would not be tolerated and from a lack of food he was forced to give up and fled with his wife to Seattle, where he was followed by Mitchell and killed.

One of the most harmful results of Creffield's teachings was the insanity

HELD BY A SPELL

Strange Power of Creffield Over His Victims.

HURT GOES TO SEATTLE

Corvallis Man, Whose Daughters Were Led Astray, Will Do All in His Power for Slayer of Chief Holy Roller.

CONVENTION TO BE AT TACOMA

Majority of the Republican Committeemen Favor That City.

TACOMA, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—The next Republican state convention will be held in Tacoma. Most of the state committeemen favor this city. The remainder are divided between Seattle and Walla Walla. No other cities appear to have a convention. It is generally admitted that Tacoma is the best convention city in the state. J. H. Davis, the Pierce County member of the committee, has carefully canvassed the situation and says that there is little opposition to Tacoma.

The state committee meeting will be held in Seattle May 23. The apportionment of delegates will probably be based on the last Presidential vote. This is the plan of Lieutenant Governor Coon. Each county will probably be given four delegates at large.

NORTHERN PACIFIC SURVEYORS ARE AT WORK ON STELLACOOM LINE.

TACOMA, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—Northern Pacific surveyors, now at Shellock, have begun the survey of the Stellacoom line, which will provide the road with a new entrance to Tacoma. The new road will branch from the company's present line to Olympia at Shellock, near the mouth of the Nisqually river, and will follow closely the shore line of Puget Sound up to Point Defiance Park. Here a tunnel, the location of which has not been determined, will be necessary. Some such line as this was proposed and surveyed years ago. The new line may not conform to the old survey.

TRAILS CONVICT A WEEK

GUARD FROM MONTANA PENITENTIARY MAKES CAPTURE.

Runaway, When Flushed, Takes to His Heels, but Receives a Bullet in Each Leg.

BUTTE, Mont., May 7.—A Miner dispatcher from Moscow states that after trailing an escaped convict, Fred Mekabus, for more than a week, Guard George Minshew ran down his man at Fort Mission this morning and captured him, but not before the fugitive had been twice shot in the legs. Mekabus spied the guard and at once began running. He was captured after each bullet finding lodgment in the fugitive. Mekabus was a truster.

STATUS OF BENEFICIARY SOCIETIES.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—A subject now being investigated by the Attorney-General raises the question as to whether the Elks and other orders that pay sick benefits are exempt from the provisions of the general insurance laws of the state relating to fraternal beneficiary societies. An external beneficiary association is declared by the law to be a "society or voluntary association for the benefit of its members and their beneficiaries, and not for profit." It is also provided that such association shall have a lodge system.

Megordon Appal Transferred.

PENDLETON, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—The Supreme court met in session for the eastern district this morning and began the consideration of appeal cases. The most important act of the court was the transfer of the appeal of Holver Megordon, the Malheur County murderer, to Salem, where the case will be argued at an early date. Megordon is now in the Penitentiary under sentence of death for killing his wife in Malheur County.

PRESTON G. EUBANKS.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Preston G. Eubanks, one of the oldest and

WHILE DENIES JURISDICTION.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—Federal court convened here today, with Judge Whitson on the bench. The cases of the United States vs. Martine Wallace, charged with violating the Rainier forest reserve regulations, were dismissed on demurrer for lack of jurisdiction.

ROUND-UP OF INDIAN HORSES.

PENDELTON, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—The Umatilla Indians will have their annual roundup of horses on Upper Mt. Kay Thursday. There are 5000 ponies on the reservation and the Indians are making great preparations to round them up again. This is an annual event on the reservation.

FALSE TEETH FOR DOGS

Canine Surgeon Tells of Imitation Paws for Pets.

London Post. Dogs and cats can now be fitted with false teeth, wooden legs, imitation paws and glass eyes. This development of a canine surgeon, as described by Professor Hobday, of Kensington, one of the foremost veterinary surgeons, in his book on canine and feline surgery. The author expresses the hope that his volume may advance "the application of modern surgical principles for the benefit of the suffering animal world."

The apparatus for administering anesthetics and the various instruments used in operating are given, and later in the book there are photographs from life of dogs and cats which have been treated surgically. In one picture a Blenheim spaniel is shown sitting proudly behind his false leg and imitation paw, while the next picture shows the dog wearing his false limb and looking prouder than ever.

Further on is a pet fox terrier with a beautifully made artificial limb of silver and vulcanite, with a flexible joint and a false paw. This latter is the most expensive form of false limb. Others may be made of wood, leather, cork, rubber, and a half-crown limb, the cheapest of all, is made entirely of leather.

In the chapter on operations on the mouth, the author explains the operation in cases in which dogs have been fitted successfully with false teeth. There is a picture illustrative of an aged dog with a valuable set of teeth, all the teeth shown in the most approved fashion before the photographer's lens, and the picture of an aged collie shows how its teeth, which were replaced with gold by American bridge work.

Realistic glass eyes for cats and dogs are depicted elsewhere with a photograph of a valuable cat whose eyes had been lost. The two eyes looking as much alike as could be wished. There is also a pug dog with a false eye of vulcanite, and two pictures of a Japanese dog, one before and after the substitution of the glass eye.

Professor Hobday also tells how meat skewers, hat pins, stick pins, needles, nails, brads, head screws, corks, rubber or wooden balls, etc., have been removed successfully from the bodies of dogs and cats which had swallowed them.

One of the pictures in this section is of a sheep dog, which recovered after an operation in which the hard composition of a cricket ball was removed from its stomach.

The author relates how he once found a valuable diamond collar stud in a dog's body, the owner of the stud having missed it and suspected the dog of having swallowed it.

MAKING NEW YORK IMPREGNABLE.

Technical World Magazine. Very new and modern are the almost automatic and entirely impregnable coast-defense forts. So modern, indeed, that the installation of comparatively few of them has been completed. But so complete is the confidence in the earthen detail of invulnerability that \$50,000,000 is to be spent at once by the United States alone in the perfection of its coast defense. Of this amount, at least one million will be expended at Fort Hamilton and Schuyler, guarding the harbor of New York. In coast-defense work the first necessity is to be always prepared for attack.

DEAD OF THE NORTHWEST

Dr. H. A. Leavens. CASCADE LOCKS, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Dr. H. A. Leavens, a well-known Oregon pioneer physician, died here this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ada Redenour. He was born in Onondaga County, New York in 1824. In 1852 he came to Oregon by the plains route, and fought in the Indian wars in 1856. Recrossing the plains the second time, he brought his family to the Lower Cascades in 1859. Until 1888, when he retired from active practice, he was the only physician on the Columbia from White Salmon to Vancouver, and was compelled to be on the road a major portion of his time. Four children survive: Turner Leavens, Castle Rock, Wash.; Mrs. Emma Reed, Warrendale; Mrs. Eva Nelson, La Fave, Or.; Mrs. Ada Redenour, Cascade Locks, Or.

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"I began to break out on the face with pimples and later with boils which confined me to the house a week or more at a time. One day I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People advertised in a pamphlet which was left at the door and I thought I would give them a trial. I took several boxes of the pills before all the pimples and boils left me, but I am now glad to say that my blood is good. I do not have any eruptions and I no longer have the head and stomach troubles I have described. I am very grateful for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me and I have recommended them and always will advise those who are suffering from bad blood or stomach trouble to try them."

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