

CONVICT MURDERS PENITENTIARY HEAD

Desperado Seizes Officer's Own Gun and Uses it to Wound Him Fatally.

POSSE GOES IN PURSUIT

Slayer Is Otto Hooker, Sent From Umatilla County on Conviction as Burglar—Jefferson Marshal Also Is Shot.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special).—Harry Minto, superintendent of the Oregon Penitentiary, was shot and killed at 11:30 last night, a few miles north of Albany, by Otto Hooker, an escaped convict.

A few hours earlier, Hooker had shot and perhaps fatally wounded J. J. Benson, City Marshal of Jefferson.

Minto Shot in Head. After Hooker had shot Marshal Benson, Superintendent Minto started directly for Albany to head off the fugitive convict.

Returning north from Albany in company with Guard Johnson, he came upon Hooker.

Minto and the convict opened fire at about the same time, Minto using a shotgun and the convict a revolver.

A bullet hit Minto in the head, killing him instantly. Hooker escaped amid a hail of shots fired by Guard Johnson.

Hooker evidently was not hit. He was seen an hour later near Millersville station, some distance south of Jefferson.

Three Poses in Pursuit. Three posers are on the trail, one led by Sheriff William Esch.

The officer shot by Hooker at Jefferson is dangerously wounded and may die.

Hooker escaped from the prison work gang today near the prison.

He was serving time for burglary, having been sentenced from Umatilla County a year ago. He had been a quiet prisoner and was not considered desperate.

The gun with which Hooker killed Minto had been taken from Marshal Benson at Jefferson, the convict having shot the officer while they were scuffling.

Marshal Shot in Scuffle. Hooker escaped this afternoon from a gang of 25 convicts grubbing brush a mile south of the Penitentiary.

When Hooker slipped into the brush from the field where the gang of prisoners was at work, he was not missed immediately.

Later when the alarm was sounded, Superintendent Minto rushed to the scene in an automobile.

They trailed Hooker southward and Minto, leaving part of the posse, pushed on ahead to Jefferson, where he notified Marshal Benson to be on the watch.

Minto then returned to the vicinity of the place where the escape took place.

Avoiding his pursuers, Hooker entered Jefferson about 10 o'clock last night and was accosted by Benson, who summoned him to surrender.

According to word reaching here, Hooker made as if to comply, but when Benson walked up to him, he grappled with the officer and wrested the gun from his grasp.

Hooker then turned the revolver on the marshal and shot him, the bullet striking the marshal just above the collar bone and ranging downward.

Sheriff Esch in Pursuit. Sheriff Esch and Chief of Police Welsh, accompanied by three prison guards, started for the scene of the man-hunt at 1 o'clock this morning.

The fugitive convict is not believed to have arms other than the loaded revolver he wrested from Marshal Benson at Jefferson.

Hooker is a strapping six-footer, 21 years old. He has a noticeable slouching gait in his walk, and when last seen was costless and dressed in the gray prison garb.

He was sentenced to the Penitentiary from Umatilla County for a brief term for burglary.

At last reports a posse led by Sam Burkhardt, one of the Penitentiary guards, was close behind the convict and it is now believed doubtful if he will be taken alive.

Feeling ran high here when word was received of the killing and men were heard to declare that should officers bring him in they would have difficulty in keeping him from the hands of a mob.

CONVICT CARRIED SHOTGUN

Unloaded Weapon Dropped for Marshal's Loaded Revolver.

MILLERSVILLE, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special).—According to Lee Miller, of this place, Convict Hooker was in possession of an unloaded shotgun when he was accosted by Marshal Hooper in Jefferson last night.

Hooker indicated he would surrender, then suddenly grappled with the marshal, in the scuffle the marshal dropped his revolver and Hooker, picking it up, fired at the officer and head.

He left his empty shotgun behind. "I saw Hooker running past my house about 30 minutes after the shooting of Mr. Minto," said Mr. Miller early this morning.

"Hooker apparently was unharmed from the exchange of shots with Superintendent Minto and Guard Johnson. He disappeared in the moonlight, going west from my house in the direction of the Oregon Electric."

OFFICIAL CAREER IS SHORT

Harry Minto Has Been Prison Head Only Since May 1, 1915.

The late Harry Minto, who met death last night while in the discharge of his duty at the hands of an escaped convict whom he was pursuing, had been superintendent of the State Penitentiary for a comparatively short period.

He was named for the position on March 3, 1915, and the appointment went into effect May 1, 1915. He succeeded Colonel B. K. Lawson in the position.

When the appointment was made Ben Olcott, Secretary of State, made the remark: "When Harry Minto starts

after a man he usually gets him." This was called forth by the long experience of the man he named in police work and by the reputation he bore.

Harry Minto had served several terms as Sheriff of Marion County. He also had been chief of police at Salem for about four years. He was recognized as one of the best detectives on the Pacific Coast, and was appointed penitentiary superintendent upon his request.

The son of John Minto, an Oregon pioneer, the late Harry Minto had lived all his life at Salem.

Mr. Minto was 50 years old. He is survived by his widow, two brothers, J. W. Minto, 577 East Twenty-second street, North Portland, and D. C. Minto; one sister, Mrs. R. C. Halley, and a nephew, Frank Minto, all of Salem.

EXPOSITION PLOTTED

CALIFORNIA THREATENS QUARANTINE AGAINST OREGON.

Warning Sent to Salem Against Allowing Exhibits of Minnesota and Iowa Livestock.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special).—What livestock men at the State Fair here last night declare is an attempt by California exposition authorities to bar livestock exhibitors from Northwestern states in the Exposition livestock show, was revealed when State Veterinarian Keene, of California, notified Dr. H. Lytle, Oregon Veterinarian, that if cattle and hogs from Minnesota and Iowa were exhibited here, all Oregon would be placed under quarantine and all Oregon stock barred from the exhibition in San Francisco.

As a result two carloads of Guernseys and Red Polled cattle belonging to George P. Grout, and two cars of Red Polled belonging to Adolph A. Arp, of Duluth, Minn., are held up here. Two carloads of Tamworth hogs from Farragut, Iowa, also are included in the California ban.

Although Oregon and other Northwestern states as well as the Government have removed the ban on livestock shipments from Middle Western states, California has not, hence the trouble. The stock now being held here has been thoroughly tested and declared free from infection.

Dr. Lytle, Oregon Veterinarian Keene that such was the case, but Keene has refused to remove his objection.

MOVIES TO RAISE PRICE

INCREASED COST OF FILM SERVICE PROMPTS ADVANCE.

Night Charges to Be 15 Cents and Vaudeville Acts Are to Be Eliminated After October 10.

Portland motion picture houses will, it is understood, announce a general rise in prices beginning October 10. On that date, if present plans are matured, 10-cent houses will advance prices to 15 cents for night admissions, while day performances will remain at 10 cents.

The higher amusement cost extends to the present 5-cent "movie" theaters throughout the city, which will raise prices to 10 cents for both day and night shows. This plan to advance prices includes practically all motion picture houses in the city.

After extended consideration on the part of managers, all have virtually agreed to the higher rates.

The advance is due, it is said, to the growing cost for film service. Producing companies are said to be making more elaborate and costly productions. At the same time the prices paid amusement houses are such that prevailing admission charges fail to meet the cost of film service.

Deciding not to wait until the general advance, the National and Majestic theaters raised prices last Sunday to 15 cents for night admissions, while matinee prices remain as before.

Vaudeville and singing acts will also be eliminated from movie houses.

"DAMAGED GOODS" PASSED

Censors Approve Film to Appear at National Sunday.

"Damaged Goods," a remarkable film production of Eugene Brieux noted play, was shown Monday to the entire Portland Board of Censors and passed unanimously. It will go on the screen at the National Theater Sunday morning.

Mr. E. B. Colwell, secretary of the board, said: "Damaged Goods" is passed without a single elimination. The only condition we make is that no child under 16 years of age, unless accompanied by a parent, be permitted to view Eugene Brieux's play.

Mrs. Colwell's remarks were echoed by every member of the board. "Damaged Goods" will take approximately two hours to run. Owing to its unusual character, a private invitation performance for physicians and others will be held next Saturday morning.

Dr. Calvin S. White declared that it was a picture everyone should see and he asserted that its story, frightful though it is, was in no manner exaggerated.

A private exhibition has already been given to the members of the Oregon Social Hygiene Society.

The play is issued by a special committee headed by John E. Redfield, Jr., who assumed the financial obligations.

FATHER PRAYS: GIRL FLEES

Mother Aids Daughter of 16 to Elope Against Spouse's Wish.

SCOTSDALE, Pa., Sept. 24.—While David Kennedy was on his knees saying the evening prayer Miss Josephine Kennedy, his daughter, aged 16, aided by her mother, eloped with Frank Steinfeld, of Waynesburg, to Cumberland, Md., where they were married.

Closely watched by her father, who objected to the marriage, the young couple were frustrated in every attempt they made to leave the city. The night previous the mother succeeded in getting her daughter's luggage to the station and told her to slip away at 10 o'clock for a few days, when her father was saying the family prayer preparatory to going to bed.

MURDERER, 85, PARDONED

Wife Slayer's Perfect Record for 20 Years Wins Governor.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 24.—George W. Cram, 85, who murdered his wife in New York in 1895 was pardoned from Sing Sing Prison by Governor Whitman.

Governor Horton originally commuted Cram's sentence of death to life imprisonment. His prison record through 20 years and five months has been perfect.

\$2,955,886 ASKED FOR BUDGET OF 1916

Sum of \$93,000 More Asked for Operating City in 1916 Than Allowed for 1915.

ALL ESTIMATES ARE MADE

Special Appropriations Desired Aggregate \$370,000 Additional and More May Be Asked—Present Year's Figure \$82,320.

CITY ESTIMATES FOR 1916 AND 1915 ALLOWANCES.

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1915, 1916. Rows include Public Safety, Public Affairs, Public Utilities, Auditor, Public Works, Lighting, Interest and sinking fund, Total.

To conduct the city government of Portland during 1916 will cost \$93,310 more than the total cost for the present year, according to the total budget estimates for next year as completed and ready for consideration by the City Council sitting as budget committee.

This increase is in the amount requested for actual operation and does not include any special appropriations.

The total of the budget of the six departments, including the city's bond interest, sinking funds, lighting costs and the operation of municipal affairs, is \$2,955,886. The amount allowed in the budget for the present year for the same purpose was \$2,862,576.

The budget faces the task of cutting more than \$93,310 out of the budget of operating costs to get the budget as low as it was this year.

In addition to the actual operating costs special appropriations of about \$370,000 are being asked for. The special appropriations allowed for the present year amounted to \$82,320.

The total of special appropriations to be asked for next year is somewhat uncertain, but it is estimated to be beyond the \$370,000 point which it has reached already.

When the Council meets as a budget committee to consider the estimates made by the various departments, consideration will be given to each of the main items in turn and the final disposition of all determined.

Following is a statement giving the amount asked for by each department and each bureau for 1916, and the amount appropriated for the present year:

Table with 3 columns: Department, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Mayor's Office, Police Bureau, Health Bureau, Dog Pound, etc.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Table with 3 columns: Commissioner Biegelow, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Commissioner's Office, Salaries, etc.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Commissioner Baker, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Commissioner's Office, Legal Bureau, etc.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Table with 3 columns: Commissioner Daly, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Commissioner's Office, Salaries, etc.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Table with 3 columns: A. L. Barber, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Auditor's Office, Civil Service Bureau, etc.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Table with 3 columns: Commissioner Dick, Amt. Asked, Amt. App. Rows include Commissioner's Office, Salaries, etc.

GRAND ARMY IN SESSION

President Welcomes Veterans Fifty Years After Strife.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—President Wilson last night welcomed to Washington the Grand Army of the Republic.

HOME BUILDERS

When you are told that others can build you as good a home as we, for less money, don't believe it. It can't be done. We guarantee the homes we build—that means the best in materials and workmanship. Yes, we will prove it.

The Oregon Home Builders

Oliver K. Jeffery, President 1318 North Western Bank Bldg.

his respects. The greeting was prophetic of next Wednesday, when the veterans will review the parade of the Union post that made Pennsylvania avenue historical in 1885.

The veterans are here by the thousands to participate in the celebration of the review 50 years ago of the greatest army that the world had known at that time.

They are here eager to retrace the steps of that historic march, when Grant stood beside President Johnson and saluted them when General Sherman led them from the Capitol to the corner of the Treasury building, where his equestrian monument now stands to give them inspiration.

Ten thousand veterans of the Union Army had registered tonight at Camp Matthew G. Emery, of the headquarters of the reunion. Thousands more were expected during the night and preparations have been made for entertaining an assemblage.

J. ADRIAN EPPING SUED

WIFE OF PROMINENT SOCIALIST APPLIES FOR DIVORCE.

Former Leading Portland Musical Teacher Is Charged With Systematic Cruel Treatment.

Suit for divorce from John Adrian Epping, formerly a prominent Portland vocal teacher, but for the last eight or ten years a fruit rancher of the Hood River Valley, was filed in the Multnomah County Circuit Court Monday by Emma Elizabeth Epping.

Mrs. Epping charges systematic and inhuman treatment, extending over a period of years, coupled sometimes with actual physical violence. She demands custody of three minor children, Elizabeth, aged 11, and Carl, aged 13, and Rholis, aged 11, and \$40 a month for their support, stating that her husband's net income is easily \$150 a month.

Mr. Epping was one of the leading social teachers of Portland, coming here in the early '90s. January 28, 1894, he married the plaintiff in the present divorce action, instituted in the Circuit Court, and she was Emma Elizabeth Rholis, and she was the daughter of Al Rholis, steward on one of the pioneer O.-W. R. & N. Company's vessels, running out of Portland.

For many years Mr. Epping occupied a prominent position in Portland and vicinity. He sang for a time at the synagogue, and at another time was principal baritone soloist at St. Mary's Cathedral. He also was musical director at the Cathedral for a time.

News of the domestic troubles of the Eppings came as a surprise to practically all of their many friends in the Portland musical world, with which they have kept pretty well in touch. The fact that the husband dropped out of active participation in music when they went to Hood River to live and took up fruit ranching.

Fritz Kreisler's Concert Is Artistic Triumph.

Master Violinist, Returned From War, and New Fire and Spiritual Expression to Perfect Technique.

BY JOSEPH MACQUEEN. It is a new Fritz Kreisler that has returned to us.

He is not a better violinist technically than he was on his last visit to this city, but his rare dignity of concept, the lightning fire that comes from within, fires stirred in one's soul for the first time when one has faced starvation and looked unmoved on the battlefield.

These forces into the creative facilities of the mind of the master-violinist, and never spirit music comes from his violin, playing more beautiful than the mere printed notes of the score. In the abstract these notes call for technical exactitude and skill of the highest order. What is unconsciously added to the violin playing is that something, nearly divine, which shines in artistic finish and beauty of tone production, new powers created through the intellect or mind of the violinist.

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Advertisement for BEN SELLING. Includes text: 'SOLD EXCLUSIVELY BY BEN SELLING'.

fine sentiment the Handel "Sonata in A major" will be remembered, also the two Slavonic dances—one of them in part like "Robin Adair"—and Kreisler's own arrangement of the "Viennese Popular Song." Another star number was the soft, fairy-like "Spanish Serenade."

Kreisler got 14 recalls, and his extra numbers were three of his own compositions—"Rondino," based on a theme of Beethoven; a "Viennese Caprice" and a "Liebesleid," all of the beauty of sentiment found.

It was a concert that will live pleasantly in one's memory. The war-appeal. His whole performance marks an important epoch in his life.

Carl Lamson was the artistic piano accompanist. He played with fine ability and sense of recognition of the art of the master pianist. Mr. Lamson shared in the entire success of the occasion.

The musical treat was the opening of the Steers & Coman concert season.

CANCER INCREASES, VIEW

Repeal of Provision for Census of Drug Users Favored.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 18.—Cancer and the habit-forming drug problem loomed large in the deliberations of the American Public Health Association here recently.

Dr. Francis Carter Wood, director of cancer research, Columbia University, declared that what is known about cancer today is relatively small.

Dr. H. W. Hill, medical health officer, London, Ont., said deaths from cancer were annually increasing, and if they continued will be as numerous by 1925 as deaths from tuberculosis.

The report of the committee on habit-forming drugs urged the repeal of section 6 of the Harrison act, and that a census be made of all habitual users of narcotic drugs.

Immorality as a cause of mental disease and deficiency was scored in an address before the sociological section by Dr. George H. Kirby, of New York City, clinical director of the Manhattan State Hospital on Ward's Island.

TOOTH STOLEN IN SLEEP

Gold Is Pried From Woman's Jaw Without Her Knowledge.

BELLAIRE, O., Sept. 25.—While she was sleeping a few nights ago, some unallied marauder entered the room

TO END CATARRHAL DEAFNESS AND HEAD NOISES

If you have Catarrhal Deafness or head noises go to your druggist and get 1 ounce of Farmit (double strength) and add to it 2 1/2 pint of hot water and 4 ounces of granulated sugar. Take 1 tablespoonful four times a day.

This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Closed nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the mucus stop dropping into the throat. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has Catarrhal Deafness or head noises should give this prescription a trial.—Adv.

Coming

Chapter I. (To be continued)

Oregon Electric Ry. FAST TRAINS TO THE STATE FAIR

Leave North Bank Station A. M.—6:45, 8:25 (Limited), 10:40 P. M.—2:10, 4:40 (Limited), 6:00, 9:20, 11:45 (Owl)

Stops to receive passengers at 10th and Stark, 10th and Morrison, 5th and Salmon, 2d and Salmon and Jefferson-St. Station.

SPECIAL TRAINS Salem to Portland

Daily, Wednesday to Saturday Inclusive A special fast train will leave Salem at 5:00 P. M., stopping only at West Woodburn 5:30 P. M., Donald 5:38 P. M., Tualatin 6:00 P. M., Tigard 6:07 P. M., Garden Home 6:20 P. M. Arrive Portland, Jefferson St., 6:40 P. M., and North Bank Station at 6:55 P. M. Connection arrives Woodburn 5:38 P. M.

Thursday (Portland Day) and Saturday, Oct. 2 Leave Salem 9:15 P. M., arriving at Jefferson Street at 11:15 P. M. and Hoyt Street 11:30 P. M. These trains will make stops to discharge passengers from Salem only.

\$2 ROUND TRIP PORTLAND TO SALEM

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OREGON ELECTRIC TICKET OFFICES 5th and Stark. 10th and Stark. North Bank Station—10th and Hoyt. 10th and Morrison. O. E. Depot—Front and Jefferson.