

12-YEAR-OLD GIRL SOUGHT BY POLICE

Child's Flight Is Reported by
Frantic Mother.

WANDERLUST IS BLAMED

Mrs. Ogden Johnson Declares
Daughter Was Seen With Girl
Walking Toward Station.

Mrs. Ogden Johnson, 692 East Broadway, last night called upon the police to aid her in a search for her daughter, Dorothy, aged 12, who disappeared yesterday afternoon when she left her home to take a music lesson. The mother believes the girl has left the city, but where she obtained her money to purchase a railroad ticket or her intended destination are both mysteries to the frantic parent.

The mother was informed by a schoolmate of the daughter last night that she had seen Dorothy at about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon with a grip, walking toward the union station.

Child Is Seen Later.

J. P. Jaeger, of Jaeger Brothers, Jewelers, for whom the mother works, said he saw the girl walk past the store shortly before 6 o'clock last night. That is the last seen of her so far as is known.

As soon as she was informed that her daughter had been seen with a hand grip, Mrs. Johnson investigated her daughter's bedroom and found that a grip was missing, as well as much of the daughter's wearing apparel.

The mother said her daughter recently had received an urgent invitation to visit her grandmother living at Austin, Texas, while an aunt left on the Rose City Monday night for Los Angeles. The girl went to the dock to bid her aunt farewell and her mother believes that it was then that the wanderlust spirit seized her, impelling her to leave home yesterday.

Home Life Reported Happy.

Police detective last night wired ahead to see if the girl might be aboard a train for San Francisco leaving the union depot at 8 o'clock last night, while the mother was at various cities in an effort to locate her should she arrive.

Mrs. Johnson said last night that the girl's home life had been happy and there had been no trouble of any kind. For that reason she was at a loss to understand why her daughter would leave at night, or at least without giving the family some warning.

When last seen Dorothy wore a white dress and white stockings and wore a blue hat with a white band and blonde complexion with blonde hair and is large for her age.

FAYE STEINMETZ CHOSEN

PORTLAND GIRL PRESIDENT OF
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

State Convention at Pendleton Concludes With Election of Officers.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Miss Faye Steinmetz of Portland was elected president of the state organization at the Eastern Oregon Christian Endeavor convention, concluded here today.

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, Walter L. Myers; secretary, Miss Hilda Anderson; treasurer, Miss Mollie Feling; reporter, Rev. Earl S. Dubois; Rev. L. T. Pennington and Dr. W. F. White, advisers.

State department superintendents chosen were: Miss Myers, good literature department; Walter L. Myers, educational; Viola Ogden, historical; Effie Torgerson, intermediate; James Raymond, assistant; Gertrude Ekin, Worden, introduction; Faye Moorehead, junior; Mrs. Herman DeHart, assistant junior; Miss Hilda Anderson, life work recruiting; C. N. Patterson, lookout; Miss Rhoda Rhoda, assistant; Gertrude Ekin, missionary superintendent; Howard Zinser, prayer meeting superintendent; Miss Alice Judd, social service superintendent; Clive Sals, social service superintendent; Hilda Anderson, union supervisor.

Members of the Bulletin staff will be: Carroll Roberts, editor; William Phene Sutton, assisting editor; Lloyd R. Carriek, contributing editor; Miss Esther Swain, mailing editor; Miss Elizabeth Andrus, circulation manager.

EARLY JURY IS OBTAINED

EIGHT MEN, FOUR WOMEN, TO
HEAR MURDER TRIAL.

Prisoner Accused of Killing Mrs.
Mary Elizabeth Bryan in
Seattle Park.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 17.—A jury of eight men and four women, with an alternate juror, was obtained just before adjournment today in the case of William Pay Raley, house painter, and his mother, Mrs. Anna Raley, charged with the murder of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Bryan here last October 13.

Mrs. Bryan's body was found in a local park. The coroner said death was caused from strangulation.

Opening statements of counsel were expected to occupy the morning session tomorrow and the taking of testimony is expected to begin before noon.

Twenty-five state witnesses have been called, counsel announced. The defense has called 36 witnesses. It was expected the trial would continue into next week.

CHURCH MEETING OPENS

Congregationalists in Session at
Forest Grove.

Congregational ministers of Oregon opened a two-day conference yesterday at the Congregational church of Forest Grove. Rev. Arthur J. Sullens, superintendent of the State Home Missionary society, opened the session yesterday afternoon. Rev. John Clyde of Corvallis spoke on the

"Spiritualization of Finance." Mrs. W. K. Royall told of a whirlwind campaign to raise \$1000 for the Schaeffer training school of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Flint of the Atkinson Memorial church led in a discussion on recruiting new members. Dr. W. T. McElveen of the First Congregational church of Portland will lecture twice today once on the contents of the gospel and again on evangelism.

Dr. W. T. McElveen will begin a series of Lenten lectures tomorrow night in the auditorium of the First Congregational church on "Christianity and Healing." The service will begin at 7:45 o'clock with a brief organ recital by Professor Lucien Becker. The church quartet will sing "Unhail be ye Portals," and Dr. McElveen will lecture on "Christ

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PAVED STREETS WANTED

Property Owners Sign Petition for
Better Thoroughfares.

BEND, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Of 8000 feet of frontage in the Bend business section, owners of one-fourth of the property today signed a petition for hard-surfaced streets.

Out of town owners are being communicated with on the subject. The improvement is estimated to cost approximately \$44,000.

FOUR SUE FOR DIVORCE.

It was not a passive preference that Wallace Fields had for the society of a young married woman of his acquaintance, but an active liking in that he often sought her company, complains Mrs. Eva Fields in a suit for divorce filed in the circuit court here today.

Her husband left her on December 20, 1919, but that his affinity left the day following, and that she has reason to believe that they are together in Spokane or Garfield, Wash. Other divorce suits filed yesterday were: Chloe against Gustaf Borgman, Emily against Harold Smith and Leita against Charles Augustus Miller.

AUTO RUNS THROUGH WINDOW.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Dr. Catherine Schieff of Eugene received serious cuts about the head and face, and H. G. Gumbel was bruised about the body when an automobile in which they were riding was driven across the sidewalk and through a window in the Otto Wilson garage. The accident, according to witnesses, was due to Dr. Schieff swerving her machine to avoid a collision with another car.

SHIPS TO BE SEARCHED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Coastwise as well as trans-Pacific vessels are to be searched hereafter for any possible shipments of illicit concealment of liquor, according to announcement here today.

LUMBER FIRM FINED \$50.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Moulton Lumber company, on the Lewis river, operated by Frank Huston, was fined \$50 and costs for allowing sawdust to get into Lewis river.

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STRICT DIAGNOSIS URGED

Dentists Warned to Use Care in
Oral Focal Infection.

More careful diagnosis where oral focal infection in teeth is a possibility was urged last night by speakers at the regular meeting of the Portland Dental Society.

Dr. Frank Hergert, a Seattle specialist, read a paper and exhibited slides showing the results of poorly filled teeth. The warning was set forth that if the dental profession is careless the medical profession finds it difficult to make a diagnosis of making a neat income off the mistakes of the dentist who originally handled the case.

The speakers were Dr. H. C. Fickott and Dr. George Ainslie. The latter took up the problem from the standpoint of the eye, ear, nose and throat specialist.

GIRL REPORTED MISSING

Katharine Maul, 14, Believed to
Have Gone to Mist, Or.

The police last night received a report that Katharine Maul, 14 years old, had been missing from her home in the John street Friday operatives of the women's protective bureau believe she ran away with George Hilliard, a logger from Mist, Or. Hilliard's father is reported to have notified the girl's parents that she was in Mist and that he was sending her home.

The youngest, according to the police, had been getting letters from Hilliard at the home of a friend. Hilliard arrived in Portland from Mist the day the girl disappeared.

RAILWAY LODGE MEETS

Expressmen Hold Social and Hear
Talk by A. Bollinger.

At an open meeting of the local lodge of the Order of Railway Expressmen, held in the assembly hall of the Seeling-Hirsch building, last night, members and their friends spent a social evening and listened to an address by A. Bollinger, grand president of the order.

Mr. Bollinger is making a tour of the United States, conferring with officers of the locals and coming into personal contact with the employees of the American Railway Express company, of whom a very large percentage are members of the organization.

BIG TIMBER TRACT SOLD

New Owner Will Spend \$40,000 in
Improving Roads and Mills.

SISSON, Cal., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—C. M. Reidy, a banker of Klamath Falls, Or., has purchased 5480 acres of timber land near the village of Igerna, in Siskiyou county. It is estimated there is more than 20,000,000 board feet of timber on the land.

The new owner will start at once improving the roads and mill preparatory to extensive operations and will expend more than \$40,000 in the improvement of the tract.

YOUTH INDICTED BY GRAND JURY.

Robert Oberer, 19, ordered a complete outfit of shirt, collar, hose,

neckties, etc., at a local department store and charged it all to Thomas Campbell, son of M. T. Campbell, according to an indictment returned against him by the grand jury yesterday, charging larceny by impersonating another. The bill amounted to about \$50. It is asserted by Deputy District Attorney Pierce, who handled the case, that Oberer was arrested the day following his first escapade, January 28, when he attempted to repeat the act at the same store. Roy George, alias Edward Kelly, alias George Greenwood, alias Charles Edwards, was indicted for the forgery of a \$20 note passed on George Weinstein, January 18. He is under arrest in Ellensburg, Wash.

NOTED TELEGRAPHER DIES

Ben Durkee, Once Champion Receiver of United States, Succumbs.

Ben Durkee, chief operator of the Postal Telegraph company's office here, died at one time champion receiving operator of the United States, died last night at his home in the Kings Hill apartments. Heart disease is believed to have caused his death.

Mr. Durkee learned telegraphy while a messenger for the Postal Telegraph company in Portland. He won the diamond medal offered by J. W. Mackay, head of the Postal company, in a tournament in New York City, where he competed against all the telegraph operators in the country.

Mr. Durkee was about 47 years old. He is survived by his widow, who is cashier in the same office; his mother and a brother, Elton Durkee of Ilwaco, Wash. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

TWO HURT BY EXPLOSION

Ross Pierce, Crabtree, Or., May Die
of Injuries Received at Work.

LEBANON, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—An explosion of dynamite, eight miles north of Lebanon, was brought to the Lebanon hospital last night in a critical condition as the result of a premature explosion of a large number of dynamite caps which he was using to blow out stumps on the farm of Melvin Price.

One of Price's eyes was badly injured but he was not otherwise seriously hurt. Pierce was cut from head to foot. He is about 40 years of age and is a son of D. C. Pierce, a well-known farmer living at Crabtree.

FARE RISE BRIEF FILED

Public Service Commission to Give
Decision in 20 Days.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The brief of the legal department of the city of Portland in the case of the Portland Railway Light & Power company against the public service commission here today. Another brief in the case was filed with the commission several days ago.

Importance of the case is expected that the commission will give its formal decision within the next 20 days.

LAND NOT TO BE LEASED

Lane Definitely Set Against Letting
Klamath Acreage.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—A dispatch from Washington today said that Secretary Lane had definitely set against letting lease 18,000 acres of marsh lands on Upper Klamath lake to Doak & Brown, San Francisco contractors, under any conditions, and that, as far as he was concerned, the matter was finally closed.

The American Legion has been opposing the lease of the lands and urging the restoring of the homestead entry with prior rights to ex-service men.

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Completion of Ocean Beach Highway Is Proposed in Washington.

CHINOOK, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The voters of Pacific county will vote March 9 on a proposition of increasing the bonded indebtedness of the county to the extent of \$120,000 for the purpose of completing the Ocean Beach highway.

It is proposed to issue these bonds in anticipation of the passage of the Carlyn measure, which is to be voted on by the state electors this fall. The Carlyn bill calls for the bonding of the auto-license funds, raising a fund of about \$30,000,000, and provides that the counties shall be reimbursed from this fund for all moneys paid out by them for hard-surfacing main highways.

FURNITURE STORE IS ROBBED.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The United States Furniture company's store on G street was entered last night and two revolvers stolen. A number of pocket knives and a few dollars in change were taken also. The residence of E. B. Faulkner was entered and a quantity of jewelry and a small amount of cash taken.

Chehalis Principal Resigns.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—A. N. Baxter has resigned as principal of the west side school in this city and will engage in business in Los Angeles, Cal. His mother and sister being located here, Mr. Baxter is being held principal of the west side school.

Estacada Bank Sues on Note.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Estacada State bank filed suit Tuesday against W. C. and Florence Repass and O. W. Messelher to collect a balance on a promissory note of \$224.65. Plaintiff alleges that W. C. and Florence Repass gave a note for \$1400 with interest at 6 per cent to two years and gave a mortgage on 14 lots in Estacada to cover the note.

Fleet Driver Arrested.

Manning Fern, 24, driver of automobile No. 4, of the United States emergency fleet corporation, was arrested last night by Patrolman O'Halloran and charged with being drunk. The arrest was the result of reports that the chauffeur of that machine had been driving while intoxicated. Fern was not in the car when he was arrested.

Hugo Turner to Be Deported.

Hugo Turner, recently convicted in the circuit court of receiving stolen property and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, will be deported, according to word received by Samuel H. Pierce, deputy district attorney, yesterday from E. B. Bonham, immigration inspector. He is an unnaturalized Swiss.

Washington Case Transferred.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Judge H. B. Hewen of the superior court at South Bend is on the bench here trying a case transferred from Wahkiakum county. A number of cases in Clarke county will be tried by Judge Hewen during the remainder of the week.

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THE LEAGUE VOICES PLEA FOR EDUCATION

Women's Organization Supports Measures Pending.

BETTER CITIZENSHIP AIM

Provisional Educational Qualification for Vote in States Urged at Chicago Convention.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—The national league of women voters today adopted resolutions recommending the passage of pending legislation which provides for the expenditure of \$100,000,000 for education. This money is to be divided among the states.

The following seven national directors were elected from seven regions outlined yesterday:

Region 1, Miss Katharine Ludington, Hartford, Conn.; region 2, Louis Slade, New York City; region 3, Miss Della Dortch, Nashville, Tenn.; region 4, Miss Elizabeth Hester, Girard, O.; region 5, Mrs. James Paige, Minneapolis; region 6, Mrs. George Gellhorn, St. Louis, Mo.; region 7, Mrs. C. B. Simmons, Portland, Or.

Three Measures Indorsed.

Bills indorsed are the Smith-Towner bill, the Kenyon bill and the house bill on naturalization.

The women of the league also ask for an educational qualification for the vote in all states after all not qualified have had ample opportunity to make good their lack of training.

Compulsory education, nine months of the year, between the ages of 6 and 16, is recommended.

Thorough provision for the education of newcomers and all others who have not yet been absorbed into the American citizenry by education and training are asked.

Law Uniformity Urged.

The report of the committee on the unification of laws concerning the legal status of women, Catherine Waugh McCulloch, Chicago, chairman, asks for independent citizenship for married women.

Two of the recommendations by this committee which evoked great enthusiasm in the meeting were one which urges that the minimum age of 18 years be made for the vote and another which asks that women of the league refrain from using their connection with that organization to assist any political party.

Just civil service laws and mothers' pensions in all states were also recommended.

POCATELLO PARTY CHOICE

Idaho Republicans to Hold State
Convention; Twin Falls Loses.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The republican state convention will be held in Pocatello this year in spite of the fact that local republicans who attended the state committee meeting at Boise worked hard to bring it to this city.

The main reason given for holding the convention at Pocatello was that that city has not had it for over ten years, while Twin Falls entertained the gathering only once in 1910.

Twin Falls will make a strong effort to get the state democratic convention for 1920. Robert H. Stevenson, former state senator and now publisher of the Twin Falls Chronicle, will go to the state committee meeting in an effort to secure the convention.

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