CAPTURE BY BANDITS TOLD BY SHELTON

Medical Missionary Held 71 Days by Chinese.

DOCTOR IN HOLE 5 DAYS

Tumor on Neck Causes Illness and Physician Is Tied on His Mule.

NEW YORK, June 27.—(Special.)—Dr. A. L. Shelton, a medical missionary stationed for 17 years at Batang, China, on the Tibetan border, arrived in New York today after undergoing surgical treatment at the Mayo hospital, Rochester, Minn., made necessary by his sufferings while held captive for ransom by the bandit, Yang Tien-Fu. Dr. Shelton will preach at the Central church of the Disciples of Christ tomorrow morning.

"We left Batang in November, and was bringing my wife and daughters to the coast on their way home," said Dr. Shelton yesterday, telling his story. "We had been coming toward the coast 47 days, when all of a sudden bandits began firing at us from a cliff. Soon they swooped down and took everything we had, including myself. They asked me to go up the road to see their chief. Supposing he merely wanted to talk to me, I went. They tried to take my wife and children, but solders came from the town and saved them.

Held for 71 Days.

"The bandits kept me 71 days. We are greatly indebted to Father Bailly, a French Catholic missionary, who has lived in Yunan 30 years, and who took Mrs. Shelton and the girls to Yunnanfu, while I was carried off through the country, constantly on the move, until I escaped.

"The bandits wanted to get the governor of the province into trouble. There were grudges and political reasons. They knew I was coming through and they waited for me. They demanded $50,000 worth of arms and ammunition in exchange for me, but I talked the chief, Yang Tien-Fu, out of this, saying I would not be ransomed, because it would put every missionary in the district into danger. Then he demanded a blanket pardon for himself and 800 followers. I was in favor of this, for in his band were many good fellows who wanted to get back to civil life and honesty.

"Everything was ready to be signed up on this plan when the governor tried to surround them in the night to put them to death at the end of the first month of our wanderings.

Undergoes Many Hardships.

"They escaped with me, and for 40 days thereafter I underwent the most terrible travels, with soldiers after us, sleeping out on the mountains, forced marches and all the time undergoing torture from a tumor that began growing on my neck. At the end of the second month I was so weak that I rolled off my mule unless tied and held on. Then they carried me another five days on two poles, at the end of which I was so nearly dead they left me in an old hay barn with four guards and instructions that if I died my body was to be secreted.

"If I got better they were to be notified, and would come back after me. And for five days I lay in a hole amid the rice straw and rested. Then came a report that soldiers were coming, and the whole village fled except the old man who brought me rice.

"The soldiers did not come, but a small official went through and in the excitement I got out of the barn, and made my way to the nearest Christian village, where I got a small pony, and the church elders held me on him for 24 hours until the middle of the next afternoon, I reached a place where there was a magistrate and soldiers.

"Three days later, with an escort, I was met by Dr. E. P. Osgood, of Chucow, sent by our mission, and J. P. Thornton, of the Standard Oil company, who had been appointed special representative of the United States to negotiate with the bandits for my release."

Dr. Shelton was operated on at the French hospital at Yunnanfu, united with his family and sent to America for surgical treatment.

BEAVERS TO BE REMOVED

STEPS TO BE TAKEN TO RID WALLA WALLA OF PEST.

Animals Make Inroads on Orchards; Work of Transplanting in Charge of Biological Survey.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., June 27.—(Special.)—B. W. Cooney, county agent of Klickitat county, is to conduct an interesting experiment in Walla Walla county soon, when he will assist the United States biological survey in removing about 50 live beavers to Rainier national park. Mr. Cooney has had considerable experience in handling this rodent in Nebraska.

Several hundred beavers have made inroads throughout the orchard section of Walla Walla county, destroying acres of commercial bearing orchards. The state laws will not permit the residents or game wardens to destroy the pests, so an appeal was made to the biological survey to handle the situation.

L. K. Couch of the biological survey, State Game Commissioner Darwin and Game Warden Van Ausdle will have charge of the undertaking. Mr. Couch had charge of a biological survey party last season along the Columbia river in Klickitat county for the purpose of exterminating the gray digger squirrel. He made a recent survey and found the work has proven better than 95 per cent successful. This department also carried on a campaign last season in the Goodnoe Hills district of Klickitat county against the crow, the object not being to destroy them but to drive them out of the district during the fruiting season of the apricot and other fruits, and this was successful. This fall extensive drives will be made on the jack rabbits.

FEDERL PANEL DRAWN

Eighty Prospective Jurors Picked to Serve During July.

Prospective jurors for the July term of the federal court have been drawn by Court Clerk Marsh and have been summoned to appear for service on July 6, when the new term opens. The list includes 80 names selected from throughout the state.

Those drawn for the new panel include:

Willard E. Adkisson, Boyd; Charles S. Atkisson, Sand Lake; C. H. Bailey, Dixonville; D. A. Bailey, Cloverdale; John E. Bailey, Forest Grove; A. F. Beardsley, Salem; William F. Briggs, Canyonville; E. C. Brown, Forest Grove; W. C. Burcroff, Mill City; Turner Burness, Elmira; F. W. Cady, Beaverton; C. H. Cannon, Turner; William Carrol, Ballston; M. T. Chance, Tillamook; Nels Eli Christensen, Junction City; C. H. Clymer, Hood River; M. S. Coon, Shedd; J. H. Dunlap, Salem; H. H. Eastman, Albany; Charles A. Fox, Glendale; F. M. French, Albany; R. W. Fry, Albany; Walter L. Fuller, Brooks; W. A. Gilkey, Scio; H. L. Gill, Woodburn; Sherman L. Godard, Cottage Grove; H. F. Goodspeed, Tillamook; Richard Grosmong, Creswell; John B. Haley, Eugene; C. A. Harwood, Silverton; O. W. Hattan, Oregon City; Marion Hayden, Alsea; David L. Hedges, Independence; H. B. Johnston, Forest Grove; Isaac D. Larimer, Springfield; George W. Lewis, Portland; J. N. Long, Scio; Leonard McClain, Albany; J. A. McDonald, St. Paul; Willis H. McDaniel, Rickreall; Dan McLean, Westport; John A. Malone, Antelope; Franklin W. Miller, Portland; Walter L. Miller, Monitor; J. E. Mitts, Aurora; A. W. Moreland, Albany; W. P. Mulkey, Nehama; Parke B. Myers, Portland; C. P. Neibert, Stayton; H. A. Neuman, Hood River; George W. Newhouse, The Dalles; George E. Orswell, Eugene; Charles B. Paddock, Portland; G. A. Patterson, Hillsboro; Thomas F. Pierce, Portland; James V. Pipe, Albany; A. M. Reeves, Albany; Frank D. Robbins, Portland; Seth L. Roberts, Portland; E. J. Rollins, Seaside; Edward Schulmerich, Hillsboro; A. C. Shute, Hillsboro; J. H. Sears, Forest Grove; Lawrence M. Shaw, Hubbard; L. K. Siegmund, Gervais; Ed Smith, Thomas; Mortimer L. Smith, Portland; Edward A. Snodgrass, Portland; C. E. Soule, Lacomb; Clifford L. Stanley, Portland; R. K. Stewart, Halsey; Dr. S. C. Stone, Salem; Frank E. Taylor, Thurston; William C. Taylor, Portland; A. Z. Tedrow, Monmouth; R. D. Teter, Salem; Merton E. Thompson, Portland; Nelson O. Westcott, Aurora; Henry B. Wright, Portland.

CITY'S HOUSES INCREASE

BUILDING CAMPAIGN STARTS PORTLAND ON BOOM.

More Than 200 Plans for Houses Are Bought by Prospective Owners, Barbur Announces.

Developments in the "own-your-own-home" campaign, recently inaugurated by the city bureau of public works under the direction of Commissioner Barbur, indicate that by fall the construction of temporary homes will be going forward rapidly in Portland. Plans for the temporary houses are now being sold by the bureau, an estimate of cost being furnished with each chart. The plans are priced at 25 cents, the cost of blue-printing.

As a result of the efforts of the civic building committee, of which Commissioner Barbur is chairman, the building ordinance which forbids the construction of convertible houses has been amended to permit construction of temporary homes whenever property-owners in possession of lots 100 feet along the street of the prospective site have signified their consent. An amendment of the plumbing code has also been secured whereby owners of temporary homes may install plumbing conveniences within the period of one year.

Already, according to Commissioner Barbur, more than 200 plans drawn by the city architect have been sold to prospective home-builders and by fall the number of those wishing to build will have considerably increased. Rents, says the commissioner, are not expected to be lowered and the only way to meet the high prices is to build more homes. As long as the public, Commissioner Barbur declared, refuses to build homes rents will remain high.

It is pointed out by the civic building committee that the construction of a home on an average sized lot (50x100) guarantees a cut in the high cost of living, inasmuch as a small garden can be cultivated during the owner's leisure moments. Probably 75 per cent of vegetables used can be grown in the garden of a house built upon a lot of average size, asserts the committee.

It is understood that many of those intending to construct homes in the fall wish to take their summer vacations before doing so.

United Swedish Singers End Excellent Festival.

Programme Arouses Audience to Much Enthusiasm.

BY JOSEPH MACQUEEN.

WITH a thrilling, dramatic rendition of Grieg's immortal "Landsighting," sung by the big massed male chorus, the festival of the United Swedish Singers of the Pacific Coast came to an enjoyable conclusion in the public auditorium last night. The audience numbered about 1200. There were many recalls and enthusiasm reigned.

Madame Marie Sidenius Zendt, lyric soprano of Chicago, again was soloist and she deepened the favorable impression she won by her fine singing at the previous concert. Last night she sang with credit to herself two exacting solos, requiring much flexibility of voice to interpret them—"One Fine Day," from Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" and "Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark," (Bishop)—and it was a joy to hear them so artistically and so easily rendered. A brace of four Swedish songs brought delighted applause and the soloist's extra numbers were: "Love's Highway" and "Annie Laurie."

In the male chorus line each chorus in the federation first sang individually under its own conductor, and then sang as a massed chorus. Seattle sent three male choruses: the Svea, Vasa and Eko, with H. P. Sather as conductor. There were also the Swedish Glee club, Everett, Wash.; the Thule Male chorus, Tacoma, and the Columbia Male chorus, this city. The Columbias had the largest number of singers. All of the numbers were sung without accompaniment in the Swedish language. All the choruses sang well, with fine attention to shading and expression. Axel Pihlstrom of San Francisco is a wonder and delight as conductor.

Organ selections were played by Ernest M. Nordstrom, who rendered improvizations. The two accompanists were Edgar E. Coursen and Miss Elna Anderson.

The convention ends tonight with a banquet at the Benson hotel.

BRITISH BOMBARD TURKS

1000 Reported Killed and Violent Fighting Continues.

LONDON, June 27.—British warships at anchor before the town of Ismid, Asia Minor, have violently bombarded the Turkish lines stretched around the place, and it is estimated that 1000 Turks have been killed, according to an Exchange Telegraph company's dispatch from Athens.

Reports from Ismid, the message stated, indicate that violent fighting continues.

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DR. PRATT PREACHES FAREWELL SERMON

Pastor of Pilgrim Congregation Quits Ministry.

EFFORTS HELD FRUITLESS

Religious Matters Will Continue to Be Topics for Public Lectures. Interested in Society.

"My call to preach has expired. Frankly, I shall be very glad never to be asked to preach another sermon."

So Dr. Robert Murray Pratt began his farewell address yesterday morning which closed his ministry, not only of the Pilgrim Congregational church of this city, which he has held for more than two years, but from the entire profession, his services to which he denounces as fruitless energy.

Dr. Pratt has been known as a leader among the progressive thinkers of the Portland ministerial group. He has been dean two successive summers of the course for Bible students and ministers held under the auspices of the Portland orthodox clergy. At the present time he is giving a series of lectures each Wednesday night at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium of an educational nature. While he is leaving the ministry he hopes to continue his work as an education director along religious lines. It is also possible he may align himself with educational work among the benighted races.

Still Cherishes Religious Work.

"It is true that I shall continue to speak publicly on matters religious because I am deeply interested in the welfare of human society," continued Dr. Pratt. "My call to preach came from my fellow men. I was asked to preach certain things and was instructed in the method of taking sentences of scripture to prove the truth of these things. The most important thing seemed to be that men should know they were hopelessly lost. Also that the way out was a miraculous method, depending upon an act of belief in the person.

"The experience of the years in the very earnest contact with people has wrought great changes in faith and works and has made it quite impossible for me to spend time and energy in fruitless activity.

"Frequently I hear the cry, 'Get back to fundamentals.' But I cannot find any unity of expression upon the fundamentals except upon those same things which those who insist upon fundamentals declare not to be fundamental. When doctors disagree, who shall decide?

Service Transcends Dollars.

"Whether business methods in religious organization are used or not, business tests are applied in the estimate of results. It is true that human service transcends the dollar sign, but how much more of that which is called religious is far from the classification of human service?

"No, I shall not say that my call to preach has expired. I shall simply state that we seem to have outgrown the need of sermons. That which is ordinarily embodied in sermons is well known, both in and out of the church, and the repetition of it does not improve it, but is largely responsible for the lack of interest in religious presentation. I shall change the form of my call from 'preach' to 'teach' and shall use the information I have gathered and the experience I have developed in the work of teaching the great facts of life as they are revealed in the lives of the great masters of life"

PASTOR EXTOLS SHRINERS

Lesson Is Drawn From Symbolism and Fellowship of Parades.

"Church people have much to learn from the symbolism and fellowship that lived in the Shrine parades of last week.

"We who stood on the street sidelines and watched that seemingly endless procession of Shriners with many degrees of beautiful colors and bands of music that delighted the ear and eye, knew that the scene pictured far more than a common parade.

"The marching men were animated by a common purpose, that of social fellowship. With such a lesson taught, the onlooker could not gaze on it unmoved."

So said Rev. Thomas Jenkins, rector of St. David's Episcopal church, in his sermon yesterday.

"All color and all lines are the outward marks of hidden beauty," proceeded the preacher. "All life is expressed in sympolism and themes. In the Shrine parades, we saw great expressions of joy, of beauty—and the church should have that atmosphere to get hold of the men that are not yet in the church and so help to displace sin and want, and lack of fellowship.

"No one can live to himself. Oregon can't live for itself alone, or it will perish. The fullness of life demands fellowship. People naturally group themselves together on a basis of brotherhood. The Shriners were rich in fellowship because of the individual expression from each Shriner."

MINISTER DEPICTS GOD'S LOVE

One's Idea of Deity Determines Christian Life, Says Pastor.

God is not just the God of those in trouble and need. This was the thought of Dr. Joshua Stansfield, pastor of the First Methodist church, yesterday morning in a sermon delivered on "The God of the Strong." In it he said:

"We desire this morning to speak on this exceptional theme, 'The God of the Strong,' and to present a decidedly different view of God and religion from that which generally obtains.

"Let me make one or two preliminary observations: First, one's idea of God will determine very largely his religious character and life; second, what God is, as revealed in the Bible. He is for man. God is 'light, and love, and justice, and truth, and power, and shepherd, and savior, and redeemer, and Lord, and father, and friend;' third, God is truly known to men in personal experience and appropriation. It is only when one can sincerely say, 'The Lord is my light and my salvation. The Lord is my shepherd, my savior, my strength and my redeemer, my Lord, my father, my friend, that religion is at its best and God is valid and real.

"Now, in most religious life God is thought of and spoken of as in the exceptional things of life—sickness, distress, weakness, danger, disaster, bereavement, sorrow, sufferings, death—but human life is far more and other than these. There are far more days of health than sickness, of gain than loss, of light than darkness, of peace than war, of quiet than tribulation, of strength than weakness, but it is the exceptional we most remember and speak of.

"One night of toothache is remembered and talked of more than a hundred nights of restful sleep; one accident or heavy loss is more spoken of than years of unbroken happiness and good. It is the exceptional that stands out in life's experiences; and it is in the exceptional that God is most known. This is as it is, but is it as it should be? God is God in the exceptional, but He should be the God of our life—the whole life.

"Now, surely, we do not wish to think less of God as our great deliverer, and redeemer, and savior, and helper in every time of need, but I would that we should think of God also and much as the strength of our life, and in all the good of our life as well as in the ill.

"What of the fine, strong, healthful, happy young people of this congregation? How much it would mean to them and to the church if they could habit themselves to come before God, and say: 'Lord, my God, I feel fit, and strong, and happy, and good for life and for living; take me as I am and use me this day in good service for thee and for all whom I may meet. Help me fully to use what I have and what I am for thee.' O, God, my strength and my redeemer. Let us think of God as 'the God of the strong,'—not alone the savior of the dying thief, and of the broken degenerate, ruined lives of men, but also as the God of Moses, and Isaiah, and Joshua, and John, and Paul, and Uuther, and Savonarola, and Knox, and Wesley, and Livingstone, and Lincoln, and Phillip Brooks, and a thousand thousand of the strong.

"'God of my life through all my days, My grateful powers shall demand Thy praise.'

"There are hundreds of strong, healthy, happy young people and older men and women, who, in their regular life, have little conscious need or ground for appeal to God and religion as they now understand it. If they were poor and distressed and broken and lost, they might really need God and help, and become penitent and pious, but for the God they now know of there is really no very conscious need in the regular run of their life. They could, indeed, be more pious and religious if they only felt worse. They are too good to be bad enough to get the supposed best benefits of religion and of God. Would that we might know and practice God, in the normal as well as in the exceptional things of life. God is health and happiness, and success, and achievements, as well as in weakness, distress and need—the God of the strong—the God, indeed, of the whole life."

CITY HOST TO SOLONS

STATE RECLAMATION PROJECTS WILL BE INSPECTED.

Party Arrives in Portland July 11; Klamath Falls, Crater Lake and Bend to Be Visited.

The Chamber of Commerce has completed plans for the entertainment of the members of the appropriations committee of congress, which is scheduled to arrive in Portland the afternoon of July 11.

Stephen J. Mather, director of national parks; J. B. Beadle, assistant director, and Arthur P. Davis, engineer, accompany the party as the representatives of the park bureau. The party will leave the train at Multnomah Falls, will be welcomed by a committee from the Chamber, visit the state hatchery at Bonneville and will then be taken to Municipal terminal No. 4. They will then be brought to the Stark street dock by a swift launch and will be entertained at dinner at the Portland hotel. They will depart for Seattle at 11 P. M.

The trip is being made to inspect reclamation projects and national parks. The first stop in Oregon will be at Klamath Falls, July 7, where they will be met by P. Hetherton of the Chamber of Commerce and C. L. Smith, agriculturist of the Oregon-Washington Railway & Navigation company. The following day will be devoted to a trip over the Klamath project and the reclamation work under way on the Klamath Indian reservation. One day will be spent at Crater Lake and the trip will be made thence to Bend by auto, with luncheon served en route, probably at Coral Springs.

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WET PLANK IS LOST BY MARTIN MALONEY

Delegates and Employes of Hotel Join in Search.

MESSAGE CAUSES UPSET

Representative From Whitman County, Wash., Has Change of Heart Overnight.

BY CHARLES C. HART.
Washington, D. C., Correspondent for The Oregonian.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—(Special.)—Listen, my children, and you shall hear of the midnight ride of Maloney's beer. This is certainly taking liberties, but poetic license is about the only privilege that survives the Volstead act. The injured ones say a little explanation is necessary.

There was great excitement this morning around the Clift hotel, where the Washington delegation has headquarters. Delegates and hotel employes were aiding in the search for Martin Maloney's wet plank, which he had been carrying around on his hip for several days, displaying it to his colleagues and feeling them out on a little liberalization of the prohibition enforcement act.

Others Beaten in First Rush.

This of course will be some shock to those familiar with the fact that Martin beat everybody else to the dry move in the Spokane convention, and thereby created a super-dry reputation for himself; no one must understand that Martin had actual beer in his possession by the poet's mention of "Maloney's beer." That would be slander.

It was just a little beer and wine plank designed to life the spirits of those who indulge. The commotion this morning over the loss of the Maloney document appears to have been caused by a pointed telegram sent to the Washington delegation yesterday carrying the signature of 25 influential democrats of Whitman county. This quarter of a hundred citizens of Whitman county grew fearful that the wild influence of San Francisco might waken the zeal of Neighbor Maloney and some of the other extra-dry delegates. Accordingly, they fired in the telegram to the delegation in care of Mr. Maloney, who, however, is understood not to have seen it until Chairman Richard Seeley Jones sprang it on the caucus of the delegation yesterday afternoon.

Maloney Complexion Changes.

The Maloney complexion at that moment is described as having the tinge of watered milk, and when the delegates awoke this morning his wet plank was gone. The only clew obtained was that there was a rattling of the pipes at the Clift hotel about midnight last night, which was ignored by others of the delegation on the simple supposition that something had gone wrong with the plumbing. The police were not notified, as the owner of the lost plank manifested no genuine desire to regain his lost manuscript.

It began to dawn on the Washington delegation this afternoon that William Jennings Bryan is in a position to swing the majority to any of his propositions, including the league of nations and prohibition planks. Maurice A. Langhorne of Tacoma, chosen yesterday to the resolutions committee, announced this afternoon that he is ready to go to the limit with Mr. Bryan. A test of sentiment is coming tomorrow morning when a chairman of the steering committee will be chosen and some surprises are said to be due and the administration and wet combination in the delegation were asserting that E. M. Connor of South Bend, Wash., editor of the Willapa Harbor Pilot, a well-known wet, was sure of election by the votes of himself, H. C. Davis of Yakima, and Mrs. J. M. Simpson of Spokane.

There are rumors flying that C. C. Dill is wielding powerful influence within the Washington delegation and should Davis, a straight-out Bryan man, be chosen, it would be a Dill victory. Dill is for Bryan and everything Bryan stands for, but like other Bryan supporters in the delegation, he is not for Bryan for president.

Dill has had little to say since he has been here and declared today that he never talks to newspapers. It came out, however, that the storm in the secret caucus of yesterday was over the method of choosing a steering committee and that Mr. Dill was the storm center. The fight on him was led by E. W. Robertson of Spokane and Dill won by a vote of 13 to 10.

The question of the unit rule also caused another controversy in which those favoring the plan of binding the delegates as a unit lost. The Washington delegation is ready to start out for McAdoo but is not strong in the faith. A large portion of the delegates are bending toward Cox and will go to him at the first opportunity, it was said tonight.

Information on the Bryan strength in the delegation received tonight said that George E. Ryan and Robert L. Proctor of Seattle, H. C. Davis, Yakima, Mrs. J. M. Simpson and C. C. Dill of Spokane, are ready to go down the line for every Bryan proposal and that other Bryan support in the delegation is held in reserve.

This group is keeping its collective eyes on Martin Maloney and E. M. Connor, the anti-Bryan leaders.

CAR FARE HIKE FALTERS

Tacoma Company Fears Loss of Good Will of Public.

TACOMA, Wash., June 27.—(Special.)—Fred Shoemaker, city commissioner of finance, believes the Tacoma Railway & Power company is afraid to go to the state public service commission for a raise in fare for fear it will lose the good will of the public.

Shoemaker thinks that the company would rather come to an agreement with the council than battle with the state commission. The latter body, however, will grant the raise on July 12 unless the city can show reason why the appeal already before the commission should not be granted.

Guard Inspection Tonight.

National guards stationed in Multnomah county will hold final inspection and muster at the Armory at Tenth and Couch streets tonight at 8 o'clock. Colonel C. C. Hammond will be the inspecting officer. After the inspection the regiment will be reviewed by Adjutant-General George A. White. This is the final inspection to be held prior to the departure of the troops to the federal camp of instruction at Camp Lewis, Wash. The public is invited to attend.

Eagles to Meet at Hoquiam.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 27.—(Special.)—Eagles from all of Grays Harbor will meet with the local aerie next Monday when Elmer D. Weed, president of the order, will be here for a banquet.

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