

THACHER'S HAIR THEORY WAS SADLY EXPLODED

Sierks' Confession Knocked to Smithereens by Investigation

HAIR IN WOMAN'S HAND IS CHILD'S

Boy Who Worked for Louis Schmidt Innocent is Declared

The celebrated confession of the imbecile, John Sierks, who was inveigled into a confession by the alleged criminologist, Thacher, was knocked into a cocked hat by the decision of Gov. Withycombe, last Friday morning, when, after an investigation of the hair found in the hand of the dead woman, Mrs. Wehrman, murdered at Scappoose, it was found to be the hair of her little child, killed at the same time. This hair was claimed by Thacher to have been the hair of John Sierks, who worked for Louis Schmidt, near Groveland, the Fall of the murder. Schmidt has always contended that Sierks did not leave the ranch at the time of the murder, and that it was a physical impossibility for the simple-minded boy to have made the trip to Scappoose, committed the crime, and have been home in time for breakfast the next morning.

Thacher and "Jock" MacLaren, the latter of whom was connected with some prison reform society, have contended that the hair found in Mrs. Wehrman's hand was that of Sierks. Microscopic investigation by Dr. Gilbert, of Portland, shows that in her death fight Mrs. Wehrman pulled some of the little son's hair from his head.

Pender, convicted by E. B. Tongue for the Wehrman murder, is still in the penitentiary, and he will stay there. Mr. Tongue did not go to Salem when Dr. Gilbert went into the microscopy of the hair.

Sierks is still in the asylum, and it will probably be some time before Thacher frames another confession.

S. P. AND P. E. & E.

All, except the P. R. & N. trains are electric, and stop at the depot on Main street.

To Portland
Forest Grove Train 6:50 a. m.
McMinnville Train 7:36 a. m.
Sheridan Train 9:58 p. m.
Forest Grove Train 12:50 p. m.
McMinnville Train 2:15 p. m.
Forest Grove Train 4:10 p. m.
Eugene Train 4:53 p. m.
McMinnville Train 6:37 p. m.
Forest Grove Train 9:50 p. m.

From Portland
Eugene Train arrives 8:15 a. m.
McMinnville " 9:42 a. m.
Forest Grove " 11:59 a. m.
Forest Grove " 3:15 p. m.
Sheridan " 4:30 p. m.
McMinnville " 6:37 p. m.
Forest Grove " 7:15 p. m.
Forest Grove " 9:00 p. m.
McMinnville " 12:15 a. m.

All trains, except Eugene trains, stop on flag at North Range and Fir streets and at Sixth and Fir streets and at Tenth street.

Steam Service.....Old Depot

To Portland
P. R. & N. Train.....1:37 p. m.

From Portland
P. R. & N. Train.....10:24 a. m.

UNION STOCK YARDS

Receipts for the week have been cattle, 1657; calves, 31; hogs, 1172; sheep, 3340.

Notwithstanding comparatively heavy runs of cattle the last few weeks the market has been slightly lower to steady, choice steers are selling 7.50 to 7.75 with other grades at the usual differential.

Demand for hogs seems to over run the light supply of only fair grade offerings. A few very good loads touched the 7.65 spot Monday. Outlook steady.

Shorn sheep are beginning to come to market and although not strictly fat are commanding very good prices. Special Spring lambs are lower while other choice lambs are steady at 8.75 to 9.25, for full wools. Shearings 1.25 less. Other sheep steady.

Wanted—at once: Youngmen for automobile business. Big pay. We make you expert in ten weeks by mail. Pay us after we secure you position. Century Automobile Institute, Los Angeles, Cal.

J. W. Hughes, of near Forest Grove, was in Yakima, last week, trying a sale of 300 head of registered Holstein cattle. He says that the people up there are great admirers of the Holstein breed, and he sold one cow alone that brought \$2775—some money, even for a registered cow. A three months old calf was sold for \$600, and the bull brought \$900. Hughes says that the DeKohl strain predominated—the same strain in the Bender herd, North Tualatin Plains. Mr. Hughes says the big money in cattle is to come from registered stock, and he thinks Washington County will go more and more into registered cattle.

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Burglars entered the watch shop of Dudley Stowell, at Buxton, last Thursday evening and carried away about fifty dollars worth of watches and other jewelry. Tramps are believed to have turned the trick, and there is no belief that the same parties who blew the Banks safe had anything to do with the job. Mr. Stowell reports his loss as: Ten to 15 cheap watches; patent lever watch; 2 cell battery flash light; crooked stem pipe; 14 gold filled watch chains; several cheap watch fobs; 3 cell battery flash light; about \$6 in cash.

The German Speaking Society will meet at the home of Adam Roemheld, one and one-half miles from Cornelius, near Haines station, North of the Baseline road, the last Sunday in April—April 25. All members have a cordial invitation to attend—Fred Bulging, Pres.; Wm. Schendel, Secretary.

Oregon potatoes have been ranging from \$1.35 to \$1.50 per sack the past fortnight, and this means a good profit for those who have held. The entire crop, however, has sold at fairly good prices this Spring. C. B. Buchanan, of the Buchanan Co., and J. W. Connell, of the Mercantile, say that the big sales movement was on when the price was about \$1.25. There are but a few carloads of spuds in the county, and the sharp advance will affect but few growers. Many think that they will go to two dollars per sack before the advance closes down.

A street car struck the three and a half year old son of Mrs. A. L. Marcy, of Hillsboro, in Portland, at Lombard and Gravenstein Streets, East Side, Thursday night. The little fellow ran in front of the moving car, and the motorman dropped the fender in time to save the boy's life. He was slightly bruised as the result of his accident.

For sale: Banded Plymouth Rock, O. A. C. strain, eggs for hatching. Setting of 15, 75c, or 2 settings for \$1.25. C. W. Redmond, Washington Street, between 4th and 5th. 51-4

Plasterers are working on the extension of the Grand Theatre and Manager Phillips thinks he will have the structure completed within a few days. The building needs but a few finishing touches, after the plastering, to have it ready for use. This will be one of the largest movie houses in the Valley when completed.

White Minorca eggs for hatching—setting of 15 for \$1.—Willard Tupper, Hillsboro, Telephone City 502. 491

D. C. Atkin, aged 84 years, died at Newberg, Friday. He was the father of Mrs. Inez Humke, formerly of this city, now of Portland. The funeral took place Sunday.

Deputy Sheriff Applegate was in Portland Sunday, and was one of the spectators at the big Blake-McFall fire.

For sale: A registered Holstein bull, yearling, and one six months old.—Gerhardt Goetze, Cornelius, Route 2, south of Blooming. 5-7

John Friday, of Banks, was in town the last of the week, on road business.

Alfred Guerber, of Helvetia, was a city visitor Saturday morning.

County Clerk Luce was in Portland, Sunday, and witnessed the big fire of the Blake-McFall building.

COUNTY NOT LIKELY TO FLOAT ROAD BONDS

Multnomah Anxious For Washington Co. to Hard Surface

WOULD NOT BE PRACTICAL MOVE

Could Bond For but \$440,000, Which Would Get us Nowhere

When one visits Portland these days he finds that there is a general impression there that Washington County is about to try to vote bonds for hard surface road work. There is nothing to this when one goes into the subject. Under the constitution we could vote no greater bond issue than \$440,000, and this would put in but 25 miles of hard surface, and little would do the county but this good.

A proposal to bond, therefore, would meet disaster. Judge Reasoner, in speaking of this, says he would not be in favor of such a proceeding, and thinks it would be beaten more than five to one. The Court thinks we had better keep at macadam work, as we have the past two or three years, and we will be better off in the long run. He would like to see the main Gaston-Portland road macadamized clear through to the county line, and then laterals built to accommodate Cedar Mill and Bethany; Verbort and Banks; Hillsdale; Sherwood and Middleton to connect with the Rex-Tizard, Farmington and Scholls; Blooming; North Plains and Mountandale, and then from Banks to Buxton, and all would be benefited.

Rock would be the only solution to this idea, and it is possible that the people may have a chance to vote on this proposition two years from now. Judge Reasoner says that this would not carry, in his judgment. The constitutional limitation would afford money enough to build 150 miles of rock road, and this could be scattered so that nearly every section would derive some benefit. The trouble, however, with such an election, would be the fact that many districts, which have paid special tax several years, and have their main roads partially macadamized, would naturally object to paying for rock roads in other localities.

Multnomah is to build only 70 miles of hard surface roads with a million and quarter dollars.

Springtime is here, so now is the time to make garden. Buy your garden seeds at Greer's.

Attorney W. G. Hare and Attorney E. B. Tongue have new machines. Mr. Tongue celebrated his birthday, Saturday, by bringing out a new Cadillac.

Mrs. W. B. Taylor, of near Scholls, is nicely convalescing from a critical surgical operation sustained a few days ago. Dr. Hyde operating.

Money to loan on first-class farm security.—Washington County Abstract & Title Company; by E. J. McAlear, Manager. 41f

Wm. Shulmerich says that in all his years of residence here the crop prospect was never so promising at this particular season of Spring.

For sale: Cedar fence posts, 7 feet. Can deliver. Wenger Bros., Hillsboro, Or., R. 1; phone North Plains, 6F23. 2-5

C. W. Bloom, of below Newton, was up to the city Saturday morning. While in town he called on the Argus, and reviewed old times of 29 years ago, when he and the Argus reporter worked together in South Tualatin, for J. C. Hare.

OREGON ELECTRIC TRAINS

To Portland—55 minutes.

6:32	.....	a m
7:18	.....	a m
8:28	.....	a m
9:58	.....	a m
12:43	.....	p m
3:58	.....	p m
5:43	.....	p m
8:10	.....	p m
9:58	(Sat. only)	p m

From Portland—55 minutes.

7:54	.....	a m
9:20	.....	a m
11:25	.....	a m
2:05	.....	p m
4:27	.....	p m
6:25	.....	p m
7:13	.....	p m
9:12	(Sat. only)	p m
12:25	.....	a m

Bring your eggs to Greer's.

Peter Grossen, of near Helvetia, was a county seat visitor Saturday.

John A. Johnson, of below Beaverton, was up to the county seat Friday.

Money to loan—on farm security. I represent three large fire insurance companies. Give me a call.—E. I. Kuratti.

Commission Rodell Matteson and C. O. Roe, of Forest Grove, were down to the county seat Saturday.

Everybody knows that bulk garden seeds are best. Buy them at Greer's and get the price and assortment.

David Wenger Jr. and John Wenger came in from Helvetia, Saturday, and took out a new auto, purchased from Hartampf.

Here you are Mr. Farmer—7 and 8 per cent. money—see me. E. L. Perkins, Room 1 Commercial Bldg., Hillsboro, Ore.

Chester Alexander, locomotive engineer and motorman for the S. P., was in the city Saturday, enroute for the Tillamook end of the line, and incidentally for a fishing trip.

For Sale—Yearling registered Holstein bull; also six months registered Holstein bull; both fine youngsters.—Gerhardt Goetze, Cornelius, Ore., Route 2; South of Cornelius. 5-7

A. Bender, of North Tualatin Plains, and Gerhard Goetze, of above Blooming, both breeders of registered Holsteins, were in the county seat the last of the week.

It is estimated that over seven hundred automobiles passed through town, Sunday, including the local machines. It was a rare day and everybody owning a machine was taking advantage of the beautiful weather.

"Ginty" who is a guest at the Hotel Reeves, was sent to Cornelius, Monday, to bring down a gasoline road roller, belonging to the county. He was chaperoned by Janitor Wm. Tupper. "Ginty" is a past master with an engine, and is a good mechanic.

I have several inquiries from Eastern people for farm lands in this country. Farmers who desire to sell their places, and wish to sell right, can send me description, lowest prices and terms.—Victor Callier, 2221 Washington Street, Portland, Oregon. 4-5

Robt. Thompson, of Gedat Mill, was in the city Saturday. He says that he made the quickest trip to Hillsboro the other day in all his over 40 years of residence. He came up with Ben Croeni in an auto—and Rob may get the "machine bug" one of these days.

I saw cordwood, poles up to 12 inches in diameter, fence rails, and boards of all kinds, into stovewood lengths, in the country. Write, phone or call on me.—Carl Skow, Hillsboro, Phone, City 462, or call at Tualatin Hotel.

C. M. Bair, who owns a several thousand acre stock farm in Montana, as well as a big farm in Yamhill County, was here the last of the week. While in town he bought four Jersey heifers, registered, from Wm. Schulmerich. He expended \$650 for the youngsters—another example of that breeding of good stock pays.

Judge Reasoner states that the rock now being taken from the Goodin quarry is better than ever, and is of finer quality than that put on Hillsboro's streets, H. T. Baeley, ex-mayor, was down to the quarry with Judge Reasoner, the other day, and says that the output is the best ever shipped in for county roads.

The Sherwood Commercial Club is to make an effort to create a new county, ostensibly with Sherwood as the county seat. The Club wants portions of Washington, Clackamas and Yamhill County welded into the new affair. It will be interesting to see the vote for and against the proposal, if it shall get on the ballot.

Earl L. House, attending Stanford University, carries the character of Prince John, in the outdoor production, "Sherwood" at the University Campus, tomorrow evening. Mr. House has one of the two strong characters in the version. There is a cast of 150 in the play, and thousands of people from San Francisco and Oakland will be present. Mr. House is a son of L. W. House, of Hillsboro. The play is the largest ever essayed at the University. 4-6

STRANGE CASE OF A WAYWARD CHILD

Father Reads Bible While Child's Trial is Being Conducted

SAYS "I TRUST IN THE LORD"

Little Ella Bauer Allowed to go Home on Probation, Temporarily

It would have been an adamant heart that would not have been touched with pity at hearing the trial of thirteen year old Ella Bauer, daughter of people who live south of Cornelius. The little girl, in company with her sister, has been around, collecting clothing for poor people, and while at the Jas. Jose home, recently, took a small bank, containing a small sum of money. She also took about \$2 from the apron of a saleslady in the Mercantile. The little girl admitted the charges, and was sent home temporarily, on probation, still to be under the officer of the Juvenile court, Mrs. Dora Reed Barber.

The little girl is unusually bright, but does not appear to get along with her studies in school. She is a fine violinist, has real talent, and with proper care may make a useful woman. The father was in the court during the trial, and did not appear to be unnecessarily perturbed over the incident. He is very religious, and while the trial was proceeding had recourse to his bible. He employed no counsel, but said, "I will trust in the Lord."

With proper training the little Miss might be redeemed entirely. Mrs. Barber says that aside from the kleptomaniac incidents the child is well-mannered and with this exception, and that of telling stories about her acts, the child does nothing that involves moral turpitude. In fact, the juvenile court officer says that the girl is singularly modest.

COFFEE CLUB COOK BOOKS

The new edition of the Coffee Club Cook Book is now on sale. This is a re-print of the book published in 1911, with 100 additional recipes, and the sale price is 60 cents.

The books are on sale at the following places:
Vaughn's Grocery,
Hillsboro Mercantile Co.,
Combs' Furniture Store,
Gragg & Powell Grocery,
Ross Grocery,
Rest Room, Second St. near Morton Greenhouse

MISS FRANCES GORE

Miss Frances Gore, aged 47 years, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Helen Jennings, near Sherwood, April 15. She was the daughter of Capt. Geo. Gore, who for years was master of the big transfer steamer, the Billings, that transported trains across the Columbia from Kalama to Goble, in the old days, before the railway was built from Kalama to Vancouver. The Grange had charge of the services at the cemetery, the funeral having been held last Friday.

Miss Gore was prominent in Grange work for many years. She was born at Detroit, Michigan, and came West at an early age.

MRS. SARAH CROWTHERS

Mrs. Sarah Crowthers, aged 83 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. G. Morley, Forest Grove, April 16, 1915, at 4 a. m. Her maiden name was Turner, and she was born March 17, 1832, at Kendall Green, England. She came to the United States when she was aged seventeen years. She married Israel Crowthers in 1857, and has lived at Forest Grove for 25 years and ten children were born to the union, eight surviving: Edw. and Eli, of Wisconsin; William, Galen Creek; Joseph and Mrs. Agnes Helgeson, Dallas; Mrs. Bertha Morley, wife of L. G. Morley, Forest Grove; Frank Crowthers, Idaho, and Irwin, of California. The funeral took place Friday and interment was in Forest View Cemetery.

W. H. Erwin, the Watkins Remedy man for the south of Baseline, has removed his headquarters from Forest Grove to Hillsboro, on Main St., between Fourth and Fifth. Phone, Main 855. 4-6

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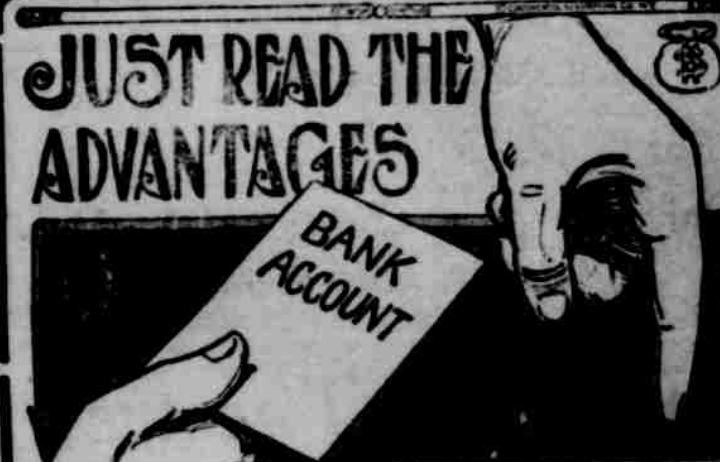
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The entire stock of the Hillsboro Lumber Co. has been purchased by the Badger Lumber Company. It is being moved to their yard, Main Street and the P. R. & N. tracks, and is being sold at a great reduction.

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