

A CREEPING TO SOLVE STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE FRIENDS AND TECHNICAL CREDITORS OF L. S. LAUGHLIN, BROOKER OF PROPOSED MONTHLY TO BE KNOWN AS "THE LOCATOR," TRYING BEST TO FATHOM MYSTERY.

Where is L. S. Laughlin, since early in the year active in the promotion of the Locator, a proposed monthly magazine...

Mr. Laughlin himself is reported to have spent much money on the scheme, the reports running from a few hundred dollars to several thousands. He lived at the Hotel Portland and was very active in his work, which seemed to be progressing favorably.

These are the questions which Portland friends would like to know and which R. L. Cate and other technical creditors have been since the first of July trying to solve.

Personal friends in the city and even creditors are inclined to the latter belief and hope that the missing man will return to take up his task.

Some time about the first of the year Mr. Laughlin, a young man between 30 and 35 years of age, of pleasant address and convincing manners, began the promotion of an organization to be known as the Western Promotion League...

COMMISSIONER BALLINGER IS SATISFIED WITH LAND OFFICE

Judge R. A. Ballinger returned from the Dallas last night where he inspected the Dallas land office and left later for Roseburg where he is spending today going over the affairs in the land office at that place.

PORTLAND BOOSTERS START SOUTH IN SPECIAL CAR

Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher will tell the advertising men of the city how to advertise a church tonight at the regular meeting of the Portland Ad Club held in the rooms of the board of trade, chamber of commerce building.

THIS BOY MAY BE RICH IN NAMES

Adopted Son of San Francisco Divorced Couple May Have Name Changed Once More.

Should County Judge Webster grant a petition that was filed in county court yesterday afternoon, a child of 5 years will be as rich in names as a peer of the realm.

WILL BE ORDAINED TO CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD

Rev. William McGee, a native of Salem, Oregon and a graduate of the Menlo Park Theological school of California, will be ordained to the Catholic priesthood tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at St. Mary's cathedral.

CRUISER CHARLESTON WILL RETURN TO CITY

Portland will receive another visit from the beautiful new armored cruiser Charleston. The vessel was taken down to Astoria on the occasion of the visit of Vice-President Fairbanks to the city by the sea.

Assailants of Tom Stack Get Thirty-Day Sentence by Judge Cameron.

Tom Hodges, P. Webster and Ed Donegan, arrested last night by Detectives Mallet and Hill for brutally beating Tom Stack, were before Judge Cameron this morning and were each sentenced to 30 days on the rock pile.

The trio viciously assaulted Stack in a saloon on Water and Clay streets and pummeled him about the head and face to such an extent that his features were unrecognizable.

Stack declared that Hodges slashed him with a knife during the fight at First and Madison streets and placed a charge of a dangerous weapon was lodged.

FIT OF ANGER WHEN POISON

Nora Wade, noted rider of Wild Horses, Dead Near Pendleton.

ALMOST A TRAGEDY IN A QUICKSAND

Team, Wagon and Driver Engulfed at Colonial Hotel at Seaside and Barely Rescued.

IDENTITY OF DEAD STILL UNSOLVED

Coroner and Police Unable to Solve Mystery Surrounding Apartment House Suicide.

DEMENTED WOMAN'S HORRIBLE SUICIDE

Hamilton, Mont., July 17.—The body of Mrs. U. Alvertson, a well-known and respected resident of this district, whose disappearance from her home had baffled searchers for 24 hours, was found yesterday morning in a vault at her home on Seventh street.

THRASHING COMPANY IS INCORPORATED

Salem, Or., July 17.—Articles of incorporation were filed yesterday with the secretary of state by The Dalles Threshing Co., a new firm for incorporating W. J. Davidson, Peter Gregory and George Reed.

TACOMA'S TERMINAL SUIT IN PROGRESS

Tacoma, Wash., July 17.—The suit brought by the city of Tacoma against the Northern Pacific railroad company to compel the road to make Tacoma its terminus instead of Seattle is in progress in the superior court.

THEBAUD BROTHERS FORCED TO SUSPEND

New York, July 17.—The brokerage firm of Thebaud Bros. suspended today with liabilities of \$1,500,000.

ERISCOON AS TWO THIEVES IN DISGUISE AS A HELM

San Francisco, July 17.—Near the heart of one of the busiest shopping sections in the city the police discovered a pair of thieves yesterday morning.

HALSEY DENIES HE IS GUILTY

San Francisco, July 17.—Theodore Halsey, special agent of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, was arraigned this morning on 14 indictments charging bribery of supervisors.

TROOPS ATTACK WINEGROWERS

Perpignan, France, July 17.—Serious rioting occurred between the winegrowers and the soldiers today and an awful slaughter would have resulted had not the police interfered.

HALSEY OR GLASS PAY BRIBE PENALTY

Prosecution Trying to Determine Which Official is the Guilty Party.

CANBY BOY DROWNS IN THE WILLAMETTE

Salem, Or., July 17.—While driving down the Doernbecker Manufacturing company of Portland, Earl Knight of Canby, Oregon, lost his life in the Willamette river at a point on the west side of the river near the old labor exchange at the northern limits of the city.

SIX WASHINGTON PAROLEES APPROVED

Olympia, Wash., July 17.—Governor Mead has approved six parolees which were recommended to him by the newly created state prison board.

TAYLOR TAKES OATH AS BAY CITY MAYOR

San Francisco, July 17.—Dr. Taylor took the oath as mayor early this afternoon at 10 o'clock.

INSTRUCTS EMPEROR TO LEAVE THRONE

Seoul, July 17.—The premier held a conference with the emperor this morning when he insisted that the emperor abdicate in favor of the crown prince.

Georgia Explosion Victim Succumbs

Washington, July 17.—Admiral Snow reports that the explosion on the USS Oregon was a serious one.

Brakeman Mark Shackelford Grievously Mutilated in a Twinkling.

Pendleton, Or., July 17.—Mark Shackelford, an R. & N. brakeman working on the La Grande-Umatilla division, had his nose bitten off by an insane man named J. J. Wilbur at Umatilla last evening.

Telephone Agent Enters a Plea on Fourteen Bribery Indictments.

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ROAD SAYS SAND COMPANY TO BLAME

Salem, Or., July 17.—J. A. McDonald of McMinnville has communicated with the state railroad commission, stating that he had ordered a car of sand from the Central Sand company of Portland June 10, and had not yet received it.

WILLS PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL

A. N. Wills of Ellwood was elected president of city council this afternoon by secret ballot over Councilman A. G. Ruslight.

HEARST'S RECOUNT BILL IS NOT VALID

New York, July 17.—Hearst's recount bill seeking a review of the votes cast at the last mayoralty election was declared unconstitutional today by the appellate division of the supreme court.

MANY THOUSANDS ASKED IN DAMAGES

Tacoma, Wash., July 17.—Personal damage suits amounting to \$60,000 have been begun in the United States circuit court here against the Tacoma Railway and Power company.

Two New Teachers at Albany

Albany, Or., July 17.—The Albany school board has selected two of the teachers who will fill vacancies in the teaching force.

Castle Rock Alumni Meet

Castle Rock, Wash., July 17.—At a called meeting of the Castle Rock High School Alumni association at the home of the president, G. Howard Huntington, business pertaining to the constitution and by-laws was transacted.

From the Milwaukee Sentinel

"The first fatal case down in Mexico, about 250 miles from El Paso, said H. P. Murdoch of Mexico City, Mexico. These natives get what they call 'mexican' after a fashion. They are not reorganized. They profess to go into a trance somewhere in the mountains and during the trance they are mentally reorganized."

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