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Daily and Sunday—5633  
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## FARMER HELD FOR SHOOTING

### C. B. Witt Is Believed Fatally Wounded by John Inman

#### SHERIFF HELD ON CHARGE OF ROM RUNNING

Officer of Ferry County, Wash., and Three Citizens of Republic Accused of Aiding Smugglers.

#### DOUBLE-CROSS LAID TO CLINE LEDGERWOOD

#### Boot leggers Claim Collector Beat Them and Took Away Their Booze

REPUBLIC, Wash., Aug. 8.—Thomas Barker, sheriff of Ferry county, and three other Republic men, were arrested today by a force from the United States marshals' office, the custom collector's office in Seattle and the federal prohibition director's office on a charge of aiding rum runners to smuggle liquor south of British Columbia into Spokane.

#### Double-Cross Claimed

The arrests followed confessions said by officials to have been given the United States district attorney's office by Joseph Frankel, age 53, and Henry Dapper, both of Spokane, who have sworn to affidavits in which they say Ledgerwood and his companions beat and robbed them in Republic the middle of June of 20 cases of whiskey and \$500 in cash, after they had paid for protection.

#### Agreement for Protection

According to the story told the district attorney's office by Dapper and Frankel, the Ferry county sheriff and his associates entered into an agreement with them to provide protection from Grand Forks, British Columbia, to Republic, where the whiskey, being smuggled into Washington, was to be put on a truck train for Spokane. They made one trip across the line and returned for a second cargo. On their second trip, they claim to have been beaten with clubs by Ledgerwood and his associates.

#### Ledgerwood Former Officer

Leroy C. Lyle, federal prohibition director for Washington; George L. Ide, chief of customs intelligence, with headquarters in Seattle, and Deputy United States marshals participated in the raid. A dozen deputies from the several departments worked with them.

#### Cline Ledgerwood was a former deputy sheriff under Sheriff Barker. He is believed by the authorities to be the head of the organization which is alleged to have worked for months in the territory south of Republic.

#### Sale of Tickets Better Local Depot Reports

Better sale of tickets to the coast is reported from the local Southern Pacific depot, than for several years past. Good rates are in effect, so that the trip can be made without mortgaging too heavily the future wages; and there is enough general prosperity to make it possible for more people to go than have felt free to do some other years.

#### LICENSE IS TURNED BACK BY BLALOCK

Editor of Baptist Publication Surrenders Card Because of Auto Accident

R. Y. Blalock, editor and manager of the Western Baptist, published at Beaver, Or., has voluntarily surrendered to Secretary of State Koser his motor vehicle operators license, because of an accident in which Mr. Blalock recently figured and for which he accepts blame.

#### SINGLE TAX TALK HEARD

William L. Ross Presents Argument in Address at Union Labor Hall

William L. Ross, recently from San Francisco, a lecturer who comes to help in the campaign for the single-tax issue before the voters of Oregon at the November election, spoke last night before a small audience at Central Labor hall.

#### Henry George Quoted

Mr. Ross quoted extensively from Henry George's writings on the single tax issue. He quoted also from Prof. Thomas G. Sherman, who held that the single tax was the scientific method of taxation for revenue; but added the George philosophy that it was not for scientific tax-collection, but for the reformation of society.

#### It's bigger than a financial problem," he said. He held that the present system of land ownership and taxation tends to turn every advance in science, in labor-saving, inventions, into a greater landed monopoly that ends in absorbing all the "slack" and leaving only general property and a minimum wage.

#### George Plan Never Adopted

In offering the audience the opportunity to ask questions, he stated that no country on earth has fully adopted the George theory of single tax on land. It is adopted in part in Australia, and it is to be voted on in Toronto this year; but it has nowhere been tried out as a sole tax-producer or as a corrector of social ills.

#### Equipment Messed Up

Mr. Jewell and W. H. Johnston, president of the machinists' association, in public statements today, indicated that all the railroad union heads, called to meet Friday, would pass upon the answer the striking unions will make to the president's final proposal. Giving out figures of the condition of railroad equipment, Mr. Johnston asserted it "would take the railroads a year to get their equipment back into shape if the strike should stop right

#### HARDING PLAN NOT FAVORED BY LABORERS

President Asks Congressional Leaders to Hold House in Continuous Session to Cope With Strikes.

#### SHOP CRAFTS URGE OFFER'S REJECTION

#### Union Executives Gathering in Washington to Determine on Response

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—(By the Associated Press)—President Harding has asked congressional leaders, in view of the menacing industrial situation arising from coal and rail strikes, to hold the house, now in recess, continually in session, along with the senate, after the house reconvenes next Tuesday.

#### Unimpaird Service Promised

Separate conference between Southern railway officials and representatives of the striking shopmen on its lines, broke up finally today, when the men declared that only a national settlement of the strike could be accepted by them, even though the railroad conceded seniority rights to returning strikers.

#### Federal Control Mentioned

Suggestions were advanced that congress might be asked to authorize resumption of federal control over the railroad systems should President Harding find it impossible to terminate the strike satisfactorily, with the further possibility that direct legislation amending the transportation act might be sought to make the railroad labor board decisions involving matters binding upon managements and employees.

#### Cabinet members considered it likely that the whole situation might be put up to congress in a special presidential message, if prevailing difficulties continue to multiply, but at the White House an administration spokesman said the president would not anticipate his course.

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#### HISTORY OF COUNTY TO BE WRITTEN

Robert H. Down of Franklin High School Faculty is Soon to Publish Book

SILVERTON, Ore., Aug. 8.—(Special to The Statesman)—Robert H. Down, head of the history department of Franklin high school at Portland, who was recently called to Silvertown by the death of his father-in-law, J. M. Brown, has given out that he is compiling a "History of Marion County." He is being assisted by Dr. H. D. Sheldon of the University of Oregon, Dr. Parsons, head of social science department, and Dr. R. C. Clark, head of history at the university.

#### Political History Told.

The history is to contain a full account of the first serious attempts to organize the Republican party west of the Rocky mountains. The meeting took place a short distance from the present location of Silvertown on October 11, 1856. In recounting the Indian attack on the Abiqua on March 5, 1848, Mr. Down has original material in that he was at the battle, and from John Warnock and Dick Thomas who were boys at the time. Mr. Thomas was in the cabin known as "Uncle Dick's cabin" at the time of the attack.

#### Lived at Silvertown.

Mr. Down is a former Silvertown boy, at one time having attended the Liberal university which was in the building now occupied by the St. Paul school and is still known as "the old university" by old Silvertowners. He was graduated from the University of Oregon in 1909, returning and receiving his M. A. degree in 1920.

#### JURY CHOSEN IN KLAN CASE

Eight Men and Four Women Will Hear Evidence in Los Angeles Trial

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 8.—The jury to try the 37 purported members of the Ku Klux Klan on felony charges growing out of the Ingewood raid of April 22 last was completed at 3:10 today. The jury as accepted by both prosecution and defense attorneys is composed of eight men and four women.

#### Two Excused.

The defense used only 12 of its 185 peremptory challenges and the prosecution only five. One talemans was excused for cause and one by stipulation. The prosecuting attorney said their first witnesses would be probably Fidel and Mathias Elduayen, brothers and Frank T. Woerner, former deputy city marshal of Ingewood. The Elduayens, proprietors of a winery, were taken from their homes by a band of men on the night of April 22. Woerner rode up on a motorcycle and fired into the crowd, fatally wounding M. B. Mosher, constable of Ingewood, one of the raiders. Several shots were fired at Woerner.

#### Ku Klux Klan Accused.

The prosecution contends the raid was organized by leaders of the Ku Klux Klan and was carried on in an unlawful manner, the defense is that the raid was organized by peace officers for the purpose of securing evidence of illegal liquor. The Elduayens, proprietors of a winery, were taken to the city lockup at Ingewood but the jailer refused to receive them as prisoners and they were released.

#### Thirty-five Accused.

Thirty-five of the defendants

#### THOMPSON HAS BIG MARGIN IN OHIO CONTEST

Administration Candidate for Governor Easily Runs Away from Beer and Light Wine Candidate.

#### SENATOR POMERENE HAS LEAD IN RACE

#### McRae Nominated for Arkansas Governor and Brandon in Alabama

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—(By Associated Press)—With Carmi A. Thompson leading by a wide margin at midnight for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in Ohio, political observers hailed his apparent success as a victory for President Harding's policies and for strict enforcement of the prohibition laws.

#### Pomerene Has Big Lead.

In the Ohio Democratic senatorial contest Senator Arlee Pomerene was leading by more than two to one over his opponent, John J. Lentz, while Congressman S. D. Fess, was holding a substantial lead over three opponents in the Republican senatorial race, Charles Dick running second, John H. Arnold, third, and David W. Wood, fourth.

#### Other Returns Slow.

In other commonwealths where state wide primaries were held, the returns came slowly and victories seemed in doubt at a late hour. First returns from Arkansas showed Governor T. C. McRae, who sought endorsement of his administration and strict law enforcement including Sunday blue laws, leading E. P. Toney, who had attacked the governor's position, particularly in connection with pardon and parole policies for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

#### Klan Issue Prominent.

The Ku Klux Klan issue, also was brought prominently to the front during the closing days of the campaign. In Alabama where Henry Ford's Muscle Shoals offer figured in the campaign, W. W. Brandon, issued an early statement forecasting his nomination for governor "by a tremendous majority."

#### Contest Nine-Cornered.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Early returns from today's state-wide primary election in Ohio showed Carmi A. Thompson of Cleveland, a former treasurer of the United States and the organization candidate, leading by a big margin in the nine-cornered contest for the Republican nomination for governor.

#### Beer-Wine Aspirant far Behind

C. Homer Durand, the beer and light wine candidate, was running second, while Congressman Chas. L. Knight, the strongest of the two progressive candidates, was third. Their votes from 305 precincts out of approximately 9000 in the state was: Thompson, 5,451; Durand, 2361; Knight, 1,690.

#### Returns Show Strength

While Thompson's big lead indicated that he had more than a two to one vote over his nearest competitor, his real strength was shown more forcibly in the fact

## TRIP OF ASSAILANT'S WIFE TO HOOD RIVER WITH WITT LEADS TO ATTACK UPON RETURN HOME

#### ROTARIANS WILL MEET AT FERRY

Salem and McMinnville Club to Enjoy Program and Picnic Supper

The Rotarians and their wives will picnic this evening at Wheatland ferry, 12 miles north of Salem on the Willamette river. Members are urged to arrive at the picnic grounds not later than 5:45 o'clock. The McMinnville Rotary club will join the Salem group for the evening.

#### FNERALS HELD

DUBLIN, Aug. 8.—The streets of Dublin were lined with great crowds of people today for the military funeral of nine national army soldiers, who had been killed in fighting the Republican irregulars in county Kerry.

#### MUST DIE

MOSCOW, Aug. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Fourteen of the 34 Socialist revolutionists accused of high treason against the soviet government have been sentenced to death by the revolutionary tribunal.

#### LEWIS' CALL IS UNHEEDED

Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators Will Not Attend Conference

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Aug. 8.—The Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' association will not attend the Cleveland conference called by John L. Lewis, president of the United mine workers, it was announced following a meeting of the scale committee here today.

#### No Action Taken.

The scale committee, however, took no action on the proposed plan for settlement of the strike as outlined at Cleveland and it was indicated that this plan was to be entirely abandoned as a possible basis for negotiation.

#### Four-State Plan Feared

Phil H. Penna, secretary of the Indiana operators, declared the operators from this state, would not go to Cleveland and reiterated the offer to meet the miners in a state wage conference.

#### THE WEATHER

Unsettled, probably thunderstorms in mountains, cooler east portion.

C. B. Witt, laborer, is in the Deaconess hospital probably fatally wounded as the result of being shot by John Inman, 65, who lives on a ranch about six miles southeast of Salem. The shooting occurred at the Inman home last night.

According to the story told to the officers Mrs. Inman and Witt, accompanied by the former's brother, left Marion county last fall and went to Hood River where they were employed in picking fruit for several months. Later they located in a number of Oregon cities, it was said, Witt working as a laborer and Mrs. Inman acting in the capacity of housekeeper.

Witt and Mrs. Inman returned to Salem yesterday and last night went to the Inman home in quest of the former's trunk. They were greeted pleasantly by Mr. Inman as they stopped their automobile in front of the house, Mrs. Inman said, and were invited to enter the dwelling and talk things over. As Witt and Mrs. Inman entered the living room of the house, Mrs. Inman said her husband rushed into an adjoining bedroom and took a revolver from beneath the pillow on his bed.

Mr. Witt then grabbed the revolver, Mrs. Inman declared, but not until it had been discharged. The bullet entered Witt's neck. Mrs. Inman later hastened to the home of a neighbor and notified the officers. Witt was brought to a hospital here for treatment while Mr. and Mrs. Inman were taken to the county jail.

#### TRUCK PLATES TO BE ISSUED

Ten Thousand License Tags Set Aside Under New Classification

Secretary of State Sam A. Koser announced yesterday that 10,000 motor vehicle license plates of the 1923 series will be set aside for trucks. They will bear the letter "T" and the numbers will begin with 85,001 and extend to 100,000. This will be 5000 in excess of the 10,000 actually to be set aside for the purpose and will serve for any in excess of the estimated number.

#### Boy of 7 Drowns in Walla Walla River

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 8.—Lester Bruce Moore, 7 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Moore of Wallula, was drowned in the Walla Walla river at Wallula this forenoon while playing in the water with other boys about his age. The body was recovered 10 minutes later, but efforts to revive him were unavailing. The body was brought here and burial will take place here tomorrow.

#### Dr. A. R. Andrews is Convicted of Charge

Dr. E. R. Andrews, of Salem, was convicted in Justice Urruh's court, Tuesday, of the selling of intoxicating liquor on August 3. Sentence is to be pronounced in the court, this morning at 10 o'clock.

#### Former Minnesotans Meet in Picnic at Fair Grounds

One hundred former Minnesotans gathered at the state fair grounds Tuesday for their annual picnic. Not every one had light hair, either. A delightful program of picnic eats was served at noon, and later a literary and musical program of some length and much excellence was given. During the afternoon the athletic gentlemen held a thrilling horse-shoe pitching tournament that brought the crowd to its collective tiptoes.

#### FIGHT IS DRAW

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Aug. 8.—Gene Watson, Pacific coast champion, and Rocky Smith of New York, fought ten rounds to a draw here tonight. Watson weighed 130 pounds and Smith 148.