

## SLOT MACHINES CLOSE IN CITY

Gambling Devices and Literature of "Racy" Nature Under Police Frown

### BAN COMES AS SURPRISE

Investigation Reveals Games of Chance Operating Openly; More Than Thirty Now Face Wall

Slot machines, masquerading under the more refined name of "candy vendors," came under the police ban Saturday when officers visited more than 15 pool halls, soft drink stands and news stands and ordered the proprietors to turn the machines face to the wall or have their licenses revoked. Approximately 30 machines were affected by the order. Many of the places were operating punch-boards at the same time. These, too, were condemned. At the same time police made a check on all news and magazine stands handling the so-called "racy" literature.

The expulsion of the slot machines came as a result of investigation which proved that the machines were being used as gambling devices rather than as "candy" machines for candy.

They operated on the system that when the "customer" put a nickel in the machine, pulled a handle and turned a knob, a package of mints was distributed in a tray underneath. At the same time the player was lucky, a number of tokens or "hickers," round brass checks—were paid out. These tokens were taken in on trade at the places in which the machines were kept, at the value of five cents each.

The machines paid at the rate of from 10 cents to \$1, depending on the combinations of pictures on the three dials. The devices were supplied by a Portland company which operated on shares from the machines, splitting the profits with the pool hall or news stand proprietor.

Slot machines were banned once before in Salem but reappeared a month or two ago. Some time ago the matter of their legality was taken into the courts and a decision was handed down which appeared to take them out of the class of games of chance, and they were allowed to remain.

Operators of the machines were told at the time, however, that if it were found later that they were used as gambling devices, the ban

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## Futile Search Made For Lad Lost at Mount Hood

150 Men Beat Dense Timber in Intense Search for Seven Year Old Boy Who Has Been Lost for Two Days; Vancouver Soldiers Dispatched to Aid

PORTLAND, Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Without food, without fire and with only scanty amount of clothing, Jack Strong, 7 year old son of H. W. Strong of Gresham, has been lost for two days and one night in the rugged wilds of upper Sandy country on the slopes of Mount Hood. Reports from searchers late today indicated that he will be forced to spend another night alone in the woods before he can be rescued from his predicament.

Fresh tracks found leading up Box Canyon near Slide mountain and later picked up near Yocum ridge, brought fresh hope to the searchers who believed that the district in which the lad will be found has been definitely determined and that he would be found before he succumbs to exposure.

Physicians who accompanied the party sounded a warning, however, that the endurance of a child of his age is limited and that if he is found alive, it must be within the next 24 hours.

That the boy had determined his location after hours of confused wandering and had been attempting to retrace his way back to Paradise camp where Strong's were camped prior to the unfortunate fishing expedition on which little Jackie became lost, was believed certain. Woodsmen asserted, however, that access to the park from Yocum ridge is virtually impossible, so that the one hope of saving the boy is to find him before he becomes completely lost or succumbs to hunger.

The lad is now believed to be within five or six miles of the Mt. Hood loop highway and within the same distance from Government Camp. However, the determined efforts of more than 100 searchers who scoured the territory today proved fruitless except in uncovering trails made Friday night or early today.

As night approached the efforts of those who were beating the brush in the district where Jackie is now believed to be swallowed up by the dense woods, were redoubled and several large bonfires were kindled in the hope that the boy would see the light and

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ATLANTIC CITY.—Amelia Gall-Gurel, the brilliant star of American opera, has thrown a bomb-shell into the camp of those who consider opera as something essentially sacred as art. For Madam Gall-Gurel has admitted, without the faintest sign of a blush, that for real pleasure she gets more out of a bang-up musical comedy than she does from hanging on to your chair—the most impressive opera. This astonishing expression was in answer to a question as to whether or not she would like to see a longer opera season.

Why do you want the season lengthened, it is long enough now. Too long I should say. Why bother the poor people with so much opera? I would rather go to a musical comedy than an opera. It is a much fun. Americans attend symphony concerts for which I admire them. Symphonies are art. Opera is not the highest form of art.

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WHAT!—NO CADRUS GIRLS?

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## POLLUTION HEARING SET

MILL CREEK, WILLAMETTE TESTS SEPTEMBER 10

Pollution of the streams of western Oregon will be considered at a meeting called by Frederick Stricker, secretary of the state board of health, to be held September 10. Health officials from all sections of the state will be in attendance.

County Judge Hunt, Ellis Lurvine and Dr. Walter H. Brown of the Marion county child health demonstration will represent Marion county at the conference. Pollution of Mill creek here will be considered in connection with other matters.

## DR. HICKMAN TO SPEAK

WILL LEAD UNION CHURCH SERVICE AT 4 TODAY

Dr. E. C. Hickman, president of Kimball college, will speak on "Marks of a Christian" at the union church services in Wilton park at 4 o'clock this afternoon. He and his father, C. William Hickman, will sing a duet.

Fred Broer will lead the singing and Mrs. Margaret Swart Rowley will play a sacred melody.

## FARM MATTERS ARE TAKEN UP

President Coolidge Discusses Problems With Farmers' Union Leader

### CROP CONDITIONS GOOD

Charles S. Barrett Tells President More Legislation Is Not Wanted; Sympathetic Note Needed

PAUL SMITH'S, N. Y., Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Attention was turned today to the farm problem by President Coolidge who discussed conditions with Charles S. Barrett, director of the National Farmer's Union.

Mr. Barrett, who frequently confers in Washington with the President on agricultural questions, came here by invitation and remained tonight as a guest at White Pine camp. He informed Mr. Coolidge that crop conditions were in general good condition in the country, but whether farm legislation was considered was not revealed.

In the opinion of Mr. Barrett, however, more legislation is not so much needed by farmers as a more active, sympathetic and efficient administration of private

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## BUTTER PRICE ADVANCES

PRINT WRAPPED PRICE IS TO GO TWO CENTS HIGHER

PORTLAND, Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—There will be an advance of 2 cents in print butter Monday morning with parchment wrapped selling at 47 cents. The buying price of butter fat will also be advanced 2 cents to 46 cents delivered here.

The cube market was firm at the close of the week on the best grades, which were not in large supply. Storage stocks showed an increase of 1836 pounds for the day.

## FOUR KILLED BY TRAIN

LOCOMOTIVE CARRIES AUTO 500 FEET AFTER CRASH

MODESTO, Cal., Aug. 14.—(By A.P.)—Two women and their two daughters were killed today when their automobile was struck by a Santa Fe freight train near here.

The dead are Mrs. Zillah Harris, 49, of Denair, her daughter Estella, 13; Mrs. W. H. Meighin, 52, of Denair, driver of the auto, and her daughter Audrie, 13.

Witnesses said Mrs. Meighin apparently did not see or hear the locomotive until it was within a dozen feet of her machine, which was carried 500 feet after the impact.

## PHOTOS TAKEN OF HALL HOME

Groundwork Laid for Complete Investigation of New Brunswick Murder

### NEW THEORIES OPENED

Murder Spot Visited by Officials and Preliminary Measurements Are Made on Phillips Farm

SOMMERVILLE, N. J., Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—The taking of photographs and measurements of the Hall home in New Brunswick today added to the mystery of the slaying four years ago of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. James Mills for which crime the minister's widow, her brother, and a cousin are charged with murder.

Senator Alexander Simpson, special deputy attorney general appointed to prosecute the case, accompanied by Inspector Underwood of Jersey City and Patrick Hayes, chief investigator, appeared at the recently remodeled Hall home this afternoon with newspaper photographers and an architect.

Mr. Hall did not come out of the house, but Russell E. Watson, one of her attorneys, offered the party plans of the building. These were declined.

Curiously, measurements were made of the house and grounds and pictures taken by New York newspaper photographers. Mr. Mr. Simpson said he asked the newspaper men to do the work for him because official photographers were not available.

The party then left for the Phillips farm, just over the Middlesex county line, where the bodies were found under a crab

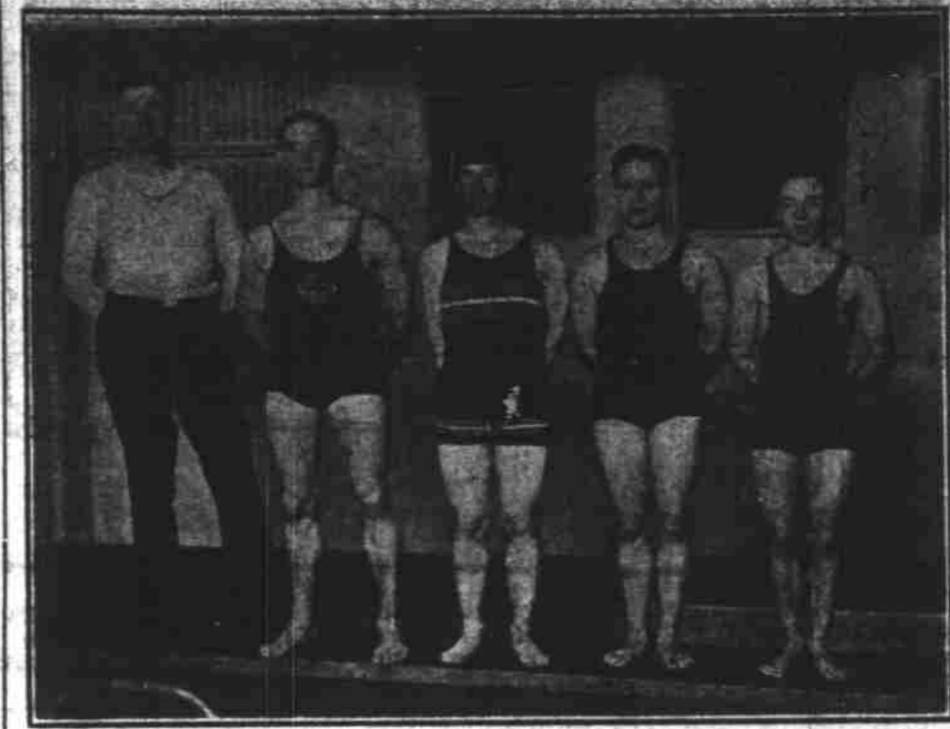
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## FIRES SIGNAL FOR AID

SERIOUSLY ILL, MAN STARTS BLAZE, IS FREED

WILLIAMS LAKE, B. C., Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Stricken with blood poisoning Otto Koerner set fire to trees on his isolated ranch in an effort to summon aid, he testified here today when on trial charged with starting a fire without a permit. The blaze spread and was menacing valuable timber when forest agents arrived. They extinguished the fire and took Koerner to a hospital. After his explanation in court he was freed.

## YMCA Tank Instructors



Reading from left to right: Bob Boardman, physical director; Pete Jensen, Leslie Sparks, Paul Elwell, Phillip Bell, Harvey Brock, another instructor was absent on a trip to Seabeck, Wash., when this picture was taken.

These instructors at the local YMCA swimming pool are teaching dozens of boys to swim. On Wednesday afternoon and evening the pool is given over to the women. Mr. Jensen is a University of Oregon graduate, a football letter man under the famous Bezieck, and was last year a physical director in the Tacoma high schools.

## BRITAIN DECLARES BODY OF KITCHENER IS FOUND

CASKET TAKEN TO ENGLAND; BALDWIN NOTIFIED

British Newspaper Man Says He Is Confident Body Will Be Identified

LONDON, Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press)—Frank Power, British newspaper man, who recently announced that he believed he had found the body of the late Lork Kitchener today said that he had written to Premier Baldwin stating that the body is now at Waterloo station awaiting disposition by the proper government department.

Power, who said that he was confident the body could be identified as that of the British Field Marshal who disappeared so tragically after the sinking of the Cruiser Hampshire off the Orkneys in 1916, said the coffin would remain in a private mortuary on Waterloo road until Monday.

A case, which Power asserts holds the coffin which he believes Lork Kitchener's body is enclosed, was delivered at the Waterloo station by train from South Hampton last night. It was taken later to the Waterloo road mortuary and covered with a Union Jack.

Discussing the final disposition of the body, Power said, "is waiting to hear from the government, nothing will be done without due regard being paid to the wishes of relatives and the government."

Power also stated that he had communicated with certain relatives of the late field marshal

## SAND ISLAND INSPECTED

2 STATES ADVANCING CLAIMS FOR SAND FLATS

ASTORIA, Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—An inspection of Sand Island and surrounding waters was made today by a party including Willis Moore, assistant state attorney general; General Kollock, Portland attorney who is acting for the state in the effort to recover Sand Island from the government to which it was ceded for military purposes many years ago; Judge M. O. George of Portland, who in 1880 as a member of congress introduced the first bill leading to the improvement of the mouth of the Columbia river, and ex-Governor Oswald West, and Ed Ballough, master fish warden.

The purpose of the visit was to obtain first hand information regarding conditions now existent at the island which is located near the mouth of Columbia river in connection with the controversy now being waged by the state of Oregon and Washington, each of which is advancing claims to the sand flat.

## WATER SUPPLY SOUGHT

OREGON CITY MOVES TO TAP CLACKAMAS RIVER

Oregon City, through its city manager, filed in the offices of the state engineer application covering the appropriation of water from the south fork of the Clackamas river for a municipal supply. The cost of the development was estimated at \$450,000.

## SEARCH DESERT FOR 2 BANDITS

23 Pouches of Registered Mail Listed in Plunder From Wyoming Train

### MUCH CURRENCY TAKEN

Valuable Consignment of Mail Carried; Highwaymen Declared Surrounded on a Desert Sand Dunes

WAMSUTTER, Wyo., Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—The waterless sand dunes of the desert in southwestern Wyoming late today were being searched by western sheriffs and cowboys for two bandits who early today robbed a Union Pacific mail car of 23 pouches of registered mail while the train was speeding through Wyoming.

A modern invention—the airplane—was called upon in the search by postal officials when the air plane pilots, flying between Cheyenne and Salt Lake City, were asked to scan the desert for the fugitives. The robbers, instead of using the broncho of the frontier stage and train bandit, took the modern automobile, the posses' leaders here believed.

With apparently well laid plans for the robbery, two men boarded the mail car at Rawlins 41 miles east of here, and at the point of revolvers bound and gagged the two postal clerks. Waiting at Wamsutter, a confederate of the robbers changed the railroad signal so that the train was slowed down. The robbers are then believed to have jumped off and taken to flight with their confederate. The clerks remained bound until the train reached Rock Springs, when the robbery was discovered, because of their failure to deliver the mail.

Only one route of flight is open to the bandits through the desert into northwestern Colorado, as the other roads lead back to the Wyoming cities of Rawlins and Rock Springs, the posses claim.

## TRACEY HELD FOR THEFT

IS CHARGED WITH STEALING AUTO AT CORVALLIS

Harry Tracey, charged with theft of an automobile in Corvallis, was arrested at the Southern Pacific depot last night by Police Sergeant George White, just as he was getting in the car to drive away from Salem.

Police had been warned of his possible presence, and had been looking out for him several nights. The arrest came after a search in which police of several cities and special investigators had been involved.

The car, stolen from Corvallis, had a dealer's license, which police believe Tracey discarded after getting a new one for the stolen car. A license receipt for a car with the same engine number as the stolen one was found in his effects.

## SKULL INJURIES FATAL

SHIP OFFICER IS KILLED AS HEAD HITS TIMBER

PORTLAND, Aug. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Henry O. Osborne, of Edinburgh, Scotland, third officer on the British steamer Ben Levi, died here today from a fracture of the skull after he had fallen from a wharf to the water below where his head struck a timber.

## "The Bat"

Large crowds are enjoying and being amused and thrilled in turn by "The Bat," taken from the mystery book of Mary Roberts Rinehart.

The play made from this book had one of the most successful runs in recent history, and the screen production is surprising with its completeness to even those who saw the play.

It is at the Elsinore tomorrow, today and tomorrow.



FOOTPRINTS IN THE SANDS OF TIME