

Robbery Epidemic Hits Monmouth and Independence

THIEF ENTERS ESPEE STATION

Only Fifty-five Cents Found in Till; Laundry Also Broken Into

By BEULAH H. CRAVEN
MONMOUTH, March 4.—No useful information has been gathered as to who burglarized the Southern Pacific depot here last week-end, although a careful investigation was made by company officials. A. C. Powers, station agent, was in Portland at the time, and upon his return found that the lock on a west window had been jimmied by a flat-nosed instrument, apparently a wrecking bar. An east window was left open several inches, and dried mud stains about the interior indicated that entrance was made Thursday or Friday night. The cash drawer was broken open and its contents, 55 cents in small change, was taken. No tickets or papers were disturbed.

Bar Reported Stolen
Milt Beasley states that while working about his premises last week with a flat nosed wrecking bar, he saw two tramps apparently observing his movements, and later the bar disappeared.

The Independence Steam laundry was entered a few nights later, also by "jimmying" a window latch. Early Tuesday morning Oscar Moore, chief of police of Independence, detected a man rifling the cash register drawer, of the Independence city meat market and intercepted him while he endeavored to make a getaway through the rear entrance. The police officer opened fire when the burglar retreated, but the latter got away on a sparsely settled street. It is believed that the burglaries were all perpetrated by the same person.

GERVAIS STUDENTS ATTEND EXPOSITION

GERVAIS, Mar. 4.—(Special)—Miss Rose Leith, Miss Helen Harms and Albert Prandl represented the Gervais high school at the educational exposition held in Gervais recently. They were accompanied by Mrs. Helen Estudill, their teacher.

The Harmonia club held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Harper Thursday afternoon. After the business meeting, three tables of "500" furnished a pleasant pastime, high score going to Mrs. Clyde Cutsforth. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Vern Jones. Those present were: Mrs. G. T. Wadsworth, Mrs. M. J. Henning, Mrs. Frank Cannard, Mrs. Elestine Cutsforth, Mrs. Sam Brown, Mrs. Sumner Stevens, Mrs. Clyde Cutsforth, Mrs. G. J. Molloy, Mrs. Zeno Schwab, Mrs. Vern Jones, Mrs. E. D. Manning and the hostess.

Mrs. J. V. Keppinger was able to leave St. Vincent's hospital last week and is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Basil DeJardin, where she will remain for a few days, before returning to her home in Taff. She is recovering from her recent operation satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarve Cutsforth recently entertained the following guests: Mrs. M. W. Conway and son Donald of Elma, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Snow and daughter Helen of Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Booster and Dean Emerson Booster of Brooks.

COUPLE DRIVE CAR INTO 'PHONE POLE

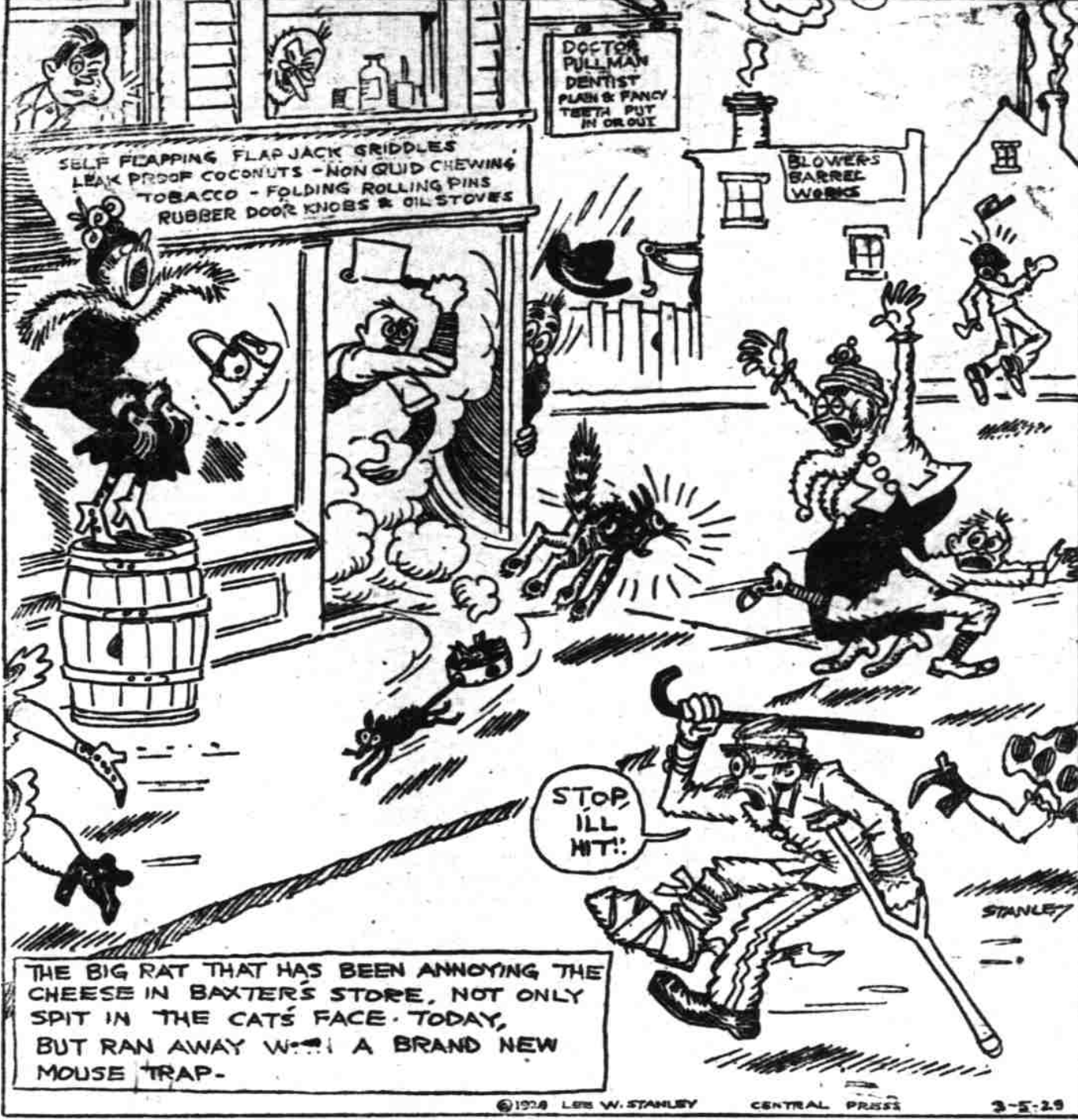
MONMOUTH, Mar. 4.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Maxwell, traveling from Corvallis to Vancouver, Wash., became confused about the highway sign at Monmouth and smashed a fender and spring of their Dodge sedan in collision with a telephone pole. They were not injured and were able to proceed on their way that evening after the necessary repairs were made on the car. They were formerly owners of the Anlat auto camp south of Cottage Grove and have recently returned from Weiser, Idaho, where Mr. Maxwell has been ill for more than a year due to a ruptured appendix, and subsequent operation.

Both are gray-haired and no longer young in years, but they were cheerful and philosophic about their mishap.

MRS. MC CARTER HAS FRIENDS AT PARTY

BRUSH COLLEGE, March 4.—(Special)—Mrs. Charles McCarter entertained a group of friends with a bridge party Friday afternoon at her charming country home at Brush College. Three tables of bridge were in play and later the St. Patrick day motive was used at the lunch hour. Guests included: Mrs. L. M. Purvine, Mrs. C. Gordon Blodgett, Mrs. V. L. Gibson, Mrs. W. W. Henry, Mrs. Ralph H. Scott, Mrs. W. H. Crawford, Mrs. Roy B. Barker, Mrs. C. M. Purvine, Mrs. L. F. Matthews, Mrs. S. D. Crawford, Mrs. Seymour Wilson and the hostess and her mother, Mrs. McDonald of Salem.

THE OLD HOME TOWN



MRS. SURMEYER, 39, BURIED, WOODBURN

Four Children Survive Woman; Many Friends at Last Rites

WOODBURN, March 4.—Funeral services for Mrs. Katherine Surmeyer, 39, who died at her home east of here after a prolonged illness, were held at St. Luke's Catholic church with Father J. E. Rubis officiating. High mass was sung by St. Luke's major choir.

Mrs. Surmeyer was born in Germany, February 19, 1890, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Wendel. When nine years of age, she moved with her family to this country and 14 years ago she was married to Herman Surmeyer, who with four children, Alphonse, Rita, Frances, and Margaret, survived her. She also leaves two sisters in a convent in Missouri, Mrs. M. Wehnach, of McKee, and a brother, John Wendel, of Spokane, Washington.

A large number of friends from Mount Angel, where she was well known, attended the funeral. Interment was in St. Luke's cemetery.

RHOTHEN BUILDING UP VALUABLE HERD

ROBERTS, Mar. 4.—(Special)—E. A. Rhothen is rapidly building up a splendid dairy herd on his farm here. Mr. Rhothen and his farm manager, G. B. Bowman, are operating on the fifty-fifty basis. They have at present about seventy-five head of stock, twenty of which are milking.

They are intending to increase the dairy herd to at least fifty, in addition to having a good supply of young stock. It is their plan to buy young heifers and by selection build up a dairy herd that will be first class in every way. The Red farm adjoining the Rhothen farm has been rented to give plenty of pasture and feed.

The P. T. B. dancing club which was organized a few weeks ago with Roy Rice as president met for a dance, Mrs. Alice Coolidge and Mrs. S. C. Davenport were hostesses for the occasion.

B. D. Fidler came home a week ago Sunday from the Deaconess hospital where he was operated upon for appendicitis. He was taken back to the hospital Saturday morning as he has not been well the past week.

Mrs. Julia Henningsen, Albin Henningsen and Howard Henningsen went to Portland Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Noble Henningsen.

Mrs. J. H. Ingram cut her finger badly Friday when a saw which she handling to her husband slipped and fell against her hand.

Mrs. Joe Ringwald of Salem visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borgelt, Friday.

Albin Henningsen bought a new sedan last week.

Mill City Girl is Hit Over KOAC

Miss Love Lindsey, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lindsey made a great "hit" when she sang over radio KOAC at Corvallis during the recent conference there. Although Love is small she has an excellent voice and friends are confident that she will make a very good singer.

Thieves Burglarize Church Pastor Who Previously Has Given Them Food, Clothes

MONMOUTH, March 4.—Upon entering his study in the Methodist church on Monday morning, Rev. E. G. Ranton discovered several drawers of his desk open, his stove tipped over, a mud stain on the floor and about 50 cents worth of stamps gone. Mr. Ranton had "entertained" a tramp in his study the Saturday before by outfitting him with shoes, hose and rubbers, and another tramp called at the house in the evening of the same day for something to eat.

It is believed that these two men were united in their efforts to obtain the goods. This belief has been confirmed by the fact that two tramps were seen in Monmouth Thursday or Friday night and later the Southern Pacific depot was entered and robbed of 55 cents.

Market Robbed Tuesday
The city meat market was also robbed Tuesday morning and a second time Sunday night, presumably by the same man, but he obtained only about four dollars. The chief of police, Oscar Moore, saw the man and shot at him, but the burglar escaped.

HUBBARD STUDENTS VISIT STATE PLANTS

HUBBARD, March 4.—An educational trip to Salem was enjoyed by the eighth grade pupils of the Hubbard school Friday when they visited the legislature and state institutions including the penitentiary, insane asylum and girls' industrial school, accompanied by their teacher, Arthur Meyers. Mrs. Blanche Brown, Mrs. Sadie Rich, and B. Paulsen assisted in the transportation of the pupils by driving their automobiles.

Class plays consisting of one that will be presented by the high school at an entertainment during the early spring. The names of the plays are: "Great Doughnut Corporation"—freshmen, "Me and Betty"—sophomores, "Two Ghosts in White"—juniors.

Monday, March 4th Mr. Lawrence Scholl placed one of the radios in school so that the children may hear Mr. Hoover's inaugural address.

Birthday Affair Given Campbell By Choir Group

MONMOUTH, March 4.—William Campbell was pleasantly surprised on the evening of February 28, when the members of the Methodist choir met at his home to help him celebrate his 57th birthday. After much singing and a few impromptu readings, refreshments were served by Mrs. Campbell, assisted by Miss Rita Byers and Mrs. W. G. Grant.

Dinner Honors Waldo Brown

HUBBARD, March 4.—Waldo F. Brown was delightfully surprised at his home Thursday evening when relatives honored his birthday anniversary with a seven o'clock dinner. A birthday cake and many gifts were presented to him.

The group included: Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Brown of New Era; his sister, Mrs. and Mr. H. C. Belton, and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Brown of Canby.

TOT ON KIDDIE CAR SKIDS INTO STOVE

Evelyn Duram, Small Girl at Lincoln, Severely Burned in Mishap

LINCOLN, Mar. 4.—(Special)—Evelyn Marie Duram, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duram was severely burned Thursday morning when the "kiddie" car on which she was riding, upset and threw her against a hot stove. The little girl slid onto the stove and was badly burned on the right side of her face and forehead. Relatives reported Thursday night that the child was in good spirits but because she is so small they find it a hard matter to keep a bandage on the burns.

Called to Daughter's Bed
Mrs. Alice Simpson of Lincoln, is in Portland where she was called because of the severe illness of her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Smith. Before Mrs. Simpson arrived at her daughter's home she had been removed to a Portland hospital where she is to undergo an operation soon. Miss Elsie Smith, eldest daughter of Mrs. Smith, who is in training at the Hoquiam general hospital, is at the home of her parents and is caring for her brothers and sisters.

ATTEND CONFERENCE
MILL CITY, March 4.—(Special)—Evelyn Booth, Bob Allen, and Frank Moravec accompanied by Rev. Lee Gray and Miss Lois Morris left Friday afternoon for Newport where they will attend the Endeavor conference there.



"Before My Baby Came"

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound puts new life into me and makes my work in the store and in the house easier. I took several bottles before my baby came and am always singing its praises to my friends. I recommend it for girls and women of all ages. It makes me feel like life is worth living, my nerves are better and I have gained pep and feel well and strong."—Mrs. A. R. Smith, 808 S. Lansing Street, St. Johns, Michigan.

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125 TEACHERS GO TO MEETING

Woodburn School Host to Marion County Gathering Saturday

WOODBURN, Mar. 4.—(Special)—The second local teachers' institute for this school year was held in the high school building Saturday with over 125 teachers from Marion county in attendance. The day's program was as follows:

Assembly and announcements at 10 o'clock; 10:15, rural section, Mary L. Fulkerson, chairman; "The Rural School Program," Bibbel L. Guivin, North Santiam school; 11:10, round table; 10:15, primary section, Miss Ruth Holt, chairman; "Eliminating Counting in Primary Arithmetic," Miss Lola Newman, Woodburn; 11:10, story telling, Mrs. Nellie Muir, Woodburn; 10:15, advanced section, Miss Fern Wadsworth, chairman; "Correlation of Agriculture, Health Work, and Club Work," Mrs. Myrtle Clark; 11:15, "Teaching Arithmetic to Less Gifted Children," Mrs. Mabel Ballard.

Science Unification Plan
10:15, High school section, Miss Helen Andrews, chairman; "A Unified Special Science Course," Ray O. Wolf; 11:10, "Knowing the Community as a Basis of Educational Guidance," Miss Laura Ruggless, Miss Ava Conner, and Ronald E. Burnett; 11:15, Principals' associating meeting, L. N. Bennett, chairman.

At 11:10, a special meeting was held under the chairmanship of J. R. Hildgood, for the purpose of organizing the county high schools for baseball and track. An executive board consisting of Ray O. Wolf, Woodburn; Ray Manney, Stanton; Carl Stewart, Gervais; George Cadwell, Salem, was selected to arrange the schedule and handle the general business of the competing schools.

The domestic science class of the high school served a lunch to the teachers at noon.

Afternoon for Entertainment
The afternoon's entertainment was as follows: A group of songs by the third and fourth grades under the direction of Miss Ruth Holt; March, "Zuaves," high school orchestra; Uke Trio, Ruth Greer, Opal Dodge and Juanita Hicks; "The Song I Love" and "Among My Souvenirs," reading, "Education," Walvo Lenon; stunt, "A Tragic Tale," girls glee club; "College Boy," orchestra and glee club; "Absent" and "The Elf Man" girls glee club.

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