

Showers tonight or Friday; cooler tonight.



TO ADVERTISERS. Don't sit down in the meadow and wait for the cow to back up and be milked—go after the cow.

MURDER AND SUICIDE STIRS TOWN OF ECHO THIS MORNING

B. R. Stoffel Murders His Sweetheart, Elsie Kenison, and Then Ends His Own Life.

No Witness to Either Tragedy—Enacted Within Town Limits—Murderer Finds Girl Alone at Home of Grandparents and Shoots Her Down—Bullet Entered Her Mouth, Passing Out Through Neck and Killing Her Instantly—Stoffel Starts Out Across Hills on Foot, Then Turning Evades Posse of Forty Men and Hangs Himself in Barn a Few Yards from Where He Killed the Girl

Late this afternoon letters were found upon Stoffel's person. One from the murdered girl dwelt upon her feelings for him, saying she could not love him. In Stoffel's pocket were letters which he had written to numerous people in this state and to friends in Missouri. One of the letters was to the East Oregonian.

The murderous pistol snuffed out another young life this morning when Elsie Kenison, aged 18, was shot to death in her home at Echo by B. R. Stoffel, a jealous and maddened lover.

The horrible crime was committed at 9:30 this forenoon in the home of E. E. Elder, the girl's step father, in Echo.

Stoffel, who had been going with Miss Kenison since the Fourth of July, went to the Elder home, where he found the Kenison girl in company with an 8-year-old neighbor girl, and entering the bedroom where she was working shot her in the mouth, the ball from a .38 caliber pistol passing entirely through her head and out through the window screen, killing her instantly.

The murderer then ran out of the house, threw the pistol with which he had killed the girl into a rocking chair in the yard and ran away over the low hills to the north of Echo, armed with an automatic pistol with which to defend himself.

The little girl who was at the Elder home, but not in the room with Miss Kenison, hearing the shot, ran into the house and saw Elsie lying with her head in a chair, her body on the floor and blood streaming from her mouth and nose. She ran to the barn to notify Miss Kenison's grandfather, Mr. Whitworth, and on entering the bedroom he found the young life had been snuffed out almost instantly, the girl being dead within two or three minutes after the shot was fired.

Within a few minutes the neighbors were notified and a large crowd gathered at the home, and immediately a posse of about forty men was organized by Marshal Hogard of Echo, and the pursuit of the murderer was begun.

Stoffel was seen to leave the Elder home on a run and start for the low hills covered with high sage brush just north of town, and before the posse could get under way he had perhaps twenty minutes' start, but at the time the posse left town it was expected they would catch the murderer within a short time, unless he gained the wheat belt and hid in a wheat field.

Echo Is Shocked. The entire little town was shocked by the crime. Miss Kenison was a favorite among all the people. She was 18 years of age and graduated from the Echo public school last spring. Her mother is married to E. E. Elder, a well-known citizen of Echo, and two brothers, L. G. and Charles Kenison, live at Posters.

B. R. Stoffel, the murderer, has been working for Mr. Elder for some time, and is 24 years of age, a man of medium height, round face and somewhat erratic temperament. Since the Fourth of July he has been going with Miss Kenison, and it is the supposition that she had rejected him, and maddened because of this he determined on the horrible crime.

Murderer Hanged Himself. While the posse of Echo citizens was searching the sage brush hills for Stoffel another chapter in the gruesome tragedy was being enacted in Echo. Stoffel, after leaving the Whitworth house, where he had committed the murder, circled about the foothills and returned to the Whitworth barn and hanged himself to a

beam shortly before noon and two hours after the murder. Several members of the posse who had lingered behind were watching the house, and one of the parties on peering through a crack saw the erect body of the murderer in the barn, and, thinking that Stoffel had fortified himself and was prepared to fight, the member of the posse, wishing to take no chances with the desperate man, fired through a crack in the barn, the ball penetrating the body of Stoffel.

But the suicide's noose had cheated the bullet, and the murderer was cold in death when the members of the posse rushed on the barn to find the corpse hanging by the neck.

Runners were immediately sent to the hills to notify the posse of the finding of the murderer's body, and the chase which had been vigorously prosecuted for two hours was given up.

Bloodhounds had been ordered from Walla Walla, and practically every man in Echo had taken up the trail of the fugitive. Upon the finding of the body the order for the bloodhounds was canceled and word was telephoned to the sheriff's office.

Upon receipt of the news of the murder this morning Sheriff Taylor and Deputy Joe Blackley started for Echo in the McCormack automobile to join the chase. Coroner Folsom went down at noon to hold an inquest over the bodies of the victims of the terrible affair.

Miss Kenison was at the home of her grandfather, Mr. Whitworth, and not at the home of her stepfather, E. E. Elder, as stated in the first accounts of the murder this morning.

Stoffel is a brother of Bert Stoffel, who has been foreman on the Blue Mountain ranch in the Butter creek country for a number of years.

GOVERNMENT WILL ASK FOR REHEARING. Standard Oil Company Will Be Prosecuted on 1500 Counts.

Chicago, July 23.—United States District Attorney Sims, who prosecutes the Standard Oil, today gave out the following statement that the government will file a petition for a rehearing in the Standard Oil case before the circuit court of appeals within 30 days. If the petition is denied the government will push the prosecution of all cases against the Standard Oil. He says the fight has just begun.

It is supposed Sims has received instructions from Bonaparte as he announced yesterday he could make no announcement until he consulted the attorney general.

The first new cases to be taken up will be those in Tennessee. The trials will be held in Jackson, Tenn. November 8.

The cases involve 1500 counts to be prosecuted by Special Counsel Wilkerson.

Bryan Won't Talk. Lincoln, Neb., July 23.—Bryan today refused to discuss the action of the Pennsylvania state democratic committee in recognizing Col. Guffey, of Pittsburg, as its leader, and denouncing the action against Guffey at the Denver convention. Bryan leaves tomorrow for Chicago. He expects to speak at Omaha and East Aurora, Ill.

Saints to Assemble. Warsaw, Ind., July 23.—One of the biggest camp meetings ever held in the Hoosier state will be opened near here the middle of next month by the Saints, a religious sect. Speakers from all over the world will deliver addresses and 5000 Saints are expected.

Took Revenge. Several days ago, while working in a blacksmith shop in a Milwaukee construction camp east of Ellensburg, Wash., a helper accidentally dropped a piece of steel on the foot of an Austrian, whose name is unknown. Monday the Austrian walked into the shop and at once opened fire on the helper, shooting him four times and probably fatally. The Austrian then made his escape.

BAD FOREST FIRE IN CALIFORNIA.

Santa Rosa, Cal., July 23.—A great forest fire is raging in the Coast range north of here. Z All of the range between the headwaters of the Dry creek and Ukiah is reported to have been swept by a way of fire fifteen miles wide. Campers Z accidentally started the fire. Z Over a million dollars' worth of timber is reported destroyed.

SON ALSO FIGHTS.

Lieutenant Evans Mixes with Commander of the Georgia. Honolulu, July 23.—The principal topic of conversation today is the story that Lieutenant Frank Evans, son of Fighting Bob, struck Commander J. F. Carter, of the Georgia, in the face in an altercation aboard ship Tuesday. Every effort has been made to keep the story quiet.

Witnesses say that Evans had the better of the argument and would have seriously injured Carter if other officers had not interfered.

The incident occurred shortly after Carter had been in court to answer the charge of assaulting a newspaper man. It is supposed the attack by Evans is the outgrowth of the court proceedings.

OLYMPIC GAMES GROW BETTER

FORREST SMITHSON WINS HIS HURDLE HEAT. Americans Enthusiastic Because of Lead Gained in Last Two Days—Kerr, of Canada, Takes First Place in 200-Meter Run, Taking Medal Counted on by Americans—Good High Jumping.

London, July 23.—Encouraged by the lead over the teams of the United Kingdom, the American athletes entered the Olympic games today determined to sweep everything before them.

In the catch as catch can heavyweight wrestling matches today, O'Kelly, of England, defeated Lee J. Talbot, of America; Bruce, of England, defeated Hambrook, of England; Gunderson, of Norway, defeated West, of England.

Taciligras, of Greece, won the first section in the preliminaries in the standing high jump with 5 feet 1 inch. Platt Adams, of America, was second with 4 feet 10 inches. The second and third sections combined were won by Ray Ewey, of America, who jumped 5 feet 1 inch.

Holmes, of America, jumping five feet, won first place in the fourth, fifth and sixth sections which were combined in the standing high jumping. Iron, of America, and Mallwitz, of Germany tied at 4 feet 9 inches for second place.

Kerr, of Canada, won first place in the final heat of the 200-meter race; time 22 2-5 seconds. Clughen, of America, took second place, and Cartmell, of America, third.

In the preliminary heats of the 110-meter hurdles, heat one was won by Healy, of England in 15 4-5 seconds. Garrels, of America, won heat two in 16 1-5 seconds. Greening of England, heat three, in 16 2-5 seconds. Heat four by Kelley, of England, and heat five by Rand of America in 15 4-5 seconds.

Heat nine was won by Ahearn, of England. Heat ten, Forrest Smithson, of Portland, Ore. His time was 14 4-5 seconds. Heat eleven, by Husey, of England, in 16 4-5 seconds, and heat thirteen by Kilhian, of England, in 16 4-5 seconds. Heat thirteen by Howe, of America, in 15 4-5 seconds. Fourteen by Shaw, of America, 15 3-5 seconds.

O'Kelly, in the heavyweight wrestling defeated Gunderson. Barrett defeated Nixon for the bronze medal.

Hungary defeated Bohemia for the championship in team fencing with fols.

To Oppose Prohibition. Kenosha, Wis., July 23.—A movement in opposition to the prohibition wave will be throngly organized by the Retail Liquor Dealer's Association of Wisconsin, which began its annual convention here today. Reports show that the organization has 1,800 members and sixty-three local branches in the state.

Big Profit on Scent. Houston, Tex., July 23.—It is estimated that the gross value of the onion crop of Texas this year will be over a quarter million dollars.

FAIRBANKS TO PRINCE OF WALES

Vice-President Assures Heir Apparent of Uncle Sam's Good Will.

TERCENTENARY OPENS IN CITY OF QUEBEC.

Fairbanks Expresses Belief That the United States and Canada Will Play Important Part in Progress of Human Race—Interests of Two New World Countries Similar—Relations Neighborly—Expresses Hope for Widespread Movement for World Peace—Prince Cheered by Thousands.

Quebec, July 23.—Fairbanks today delivered an address of good will and neighborly friendship from the United States to the Prince of Wales, heir apparent to the throne of England, at the Tercentenary celebration exercises before the Champlain monument.

He said: "Your royal highness, it is with unusual pleasure that I bring the greetings of the president and the people of the United States, who rejoice with you in the wonderful progress made by the Dominion of Canada. We confidently believe that the United States and Canada are destined to play a large and worthy part in the progress of the human race on the western continent.

We have no rivalry except in ways of peace, neither covets the other's territories, we covet only each other's neighborly esteem; there are no fortifications on our frontier, no battleships on the waters dividing us, and we believe and fervently hope there never will be need for any defensive preparation between us.

"May we not, on this theater of past conflicts, surrounded now by an impressive monument of peace, venture the hope for a widespread movement seeking to insure the maintenance of peace among nations."

"May we not venture the hope that at no distant day it will become incorporated as a part of the fixed policies of the nations to advocate measures for the maintenance of international tranquility, to substitute reason for force, without any evidence of decay in the courageous manhood of nations, but with the proclamations of the great truth that modern civilization is not a failure.

"We have no reason to fear that the relations between the United States and Great Britain will ever be disturbed.

"I beg to thank your royal highness for the gracious welcome and hospitality which you have tendered me as a representative of the United States. I wish your country and people a continuance of the blessings of peace, progress and prosperity."

The prince was cheered by many thousands today, as he was surrounded by an escort of the northwest mounted police on the drive from the citadel, where his quarters are to return the visit of the officers of the British, French and American warships.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts was given a great ovation when recognized by the crowds.

The visit to the ships took up the prince's time until luncheon.

BETRAYED BY COMRADE.

Escaped Convict Caught After 11 Years Right Living. Chicago, July 23.—A dispatch to the Record-Heard from Williams, Ariz., says:

With a pistol pressed to his abdomen by Ranger H. E. Woods, Frank Sherlock, alias Charles Bly, recognized as a convict who rode away from the New

Mexico penitentiary on the warden's horse 11 years ago, yesterday exclaimed, "Guess you got me, kid," and quietly surrendered.

He was delivered into the custody of Captain Christman, of the New Mexico penitentiary, last night, and immediately started on the overland train for Santa Fe, where he has two years to serve on a four-year sentence for horsestealing. Sherlock was betrayed by a fellow convict whom he discharged from a position with the Grand Canon Lime & Cement Company at Nelson, Ariz., where Sherlock had taken a contract.

Sherlock has been a Jean Valjean since his escape and has since led an exemplary life. For eight years he has served as a Deputy Sheriff of Mojave County, and in that time has run down many desperate criminals.

RECALL FOR JUDGE HANNA.

Prohis, it is Said, Don't Like His Decisions on Medford Charter.

Medford, Ore., July 23.—Reports are current to the effect that Judge H. K. Hanna, of the first judicial district of Oregon, is to be the subject of a recall petition, to be circulated by prohibitionists, on account of his decision sustaining the Medford city charter, which came up for action a short time ago.

Leaders of the prohibition movement here say that they know nothing about this move, and it is credited now to that party in Josephine county.

Some time ago it was reported that Judge Hanna was about to resign, that he might assist his son, H. K., Jr., in his law practice; but his friends are now urging him to retain the office, for the present at least.

BIG ODDS IN FAVOR OF TAFT

ENGLISH COMPANY OPENS "BOOK" IN FRISCO. Number of Heavy Bets Laid With Odds Five to One Against Bryan—Bettings Done Under Guise of Insurance—Commission of 78 Cents Charged on \$100 Wager.

San Francisco, July 23.—Lloyds opened a "book" on the presidential election today and a number of heavy bets have been laid at odds of five to one against Bryan.

The betting is done under the guise of insurance. M. A. Newell, the local agent of Lloyds, opened a book for their employes upon receiving instructions from London.

The charges are the regular broker's commission of 78 cents on wagers involving \$100.

The way the odds stand now an American can put up \$15.75 with 78 cents commission and draw \$100 if Bryan is elected.

Newell says the British business men have a good line on American politics and they are willing to back their convictions with cash.

YOUNG MAN KILLED UNDER LOAD OF LOGS.

Walla Walla, July 23.—Returning from the mountains with a load of logs, Walter Ayde, 18 years old, son of Patrick Ayde, a farmer residing near Blacksnake Hill, about seven miles southeast of Dixie, was crushed to death between the logs and the side of his father's barn, about 5:30 yesterday afternoon. The body of the young man will be brought to this city today to await funeral services at the Catholic church.

The young man had been to the mountains and was returning with a large load of timbers and had arrived within a few yards of home without accident, when the brake suddenly gave way letting the wagon with its thousands of pounds of logs rush forward onto the horses.

THREE HOUSES BURGLARIZED

A. J. McAllister and Nate Raines' Homes Are Ransacked in Early Evening.

FANCY CLOCK WEIGHING 40 POUNDS CARRIED OFF.

Two Men Caught While Going Through Deserted Stock Exchange—No Clue to Residence Robbers—Entrance Gained to McAllister Home by Cutting Through Screens of Kitchen Window—Silverware Passed Up—Small Safe Taken From Raines' Home.

Some time during the early hours last night three burglaries occurred in this city. The homes of A. J. McAllister and Nate Raines were ransacked and an attempt was made to rob the old Stock Exchange building in the tenderloin. Two men caught in the latter place are now in jail and the officers are searching hard to find the men who robbed the other places.

Mr. and Mrs. McAllister returned home about 10:30 last evening after having attended the show and they were surprised to find their place had been ransacked. Their little dog was found whining in an upper room of the house where he had been taken by the burglars. On further investigation they found that during their absence various articles had been taken. An ornamental clock, weighing nearly 40 pounds, was missing, also a handbag, a pair of Mr. McAllister's trousers, some rings and other small articles.

A hasty glance about the place showed that the robbers had gained access by cutting through the screen of a kitchen window. After cutting the screen they reached through and unfastened the hook that held the screen shut.

Apparently the burglary was committed by men with but little experience. The clock taken, though valued at \$40 or \$50, was so large as to be very hard for them to dispose of. However, this had been taken in preference to a quantity of silverware.

On learning of the robbery Mr. McAllister at once notified the police and the Kearney brothers, night officers, at once took up the search. A short distance down the levee from the McAllister home, which is at the foot of Thompson street, they found the handbag where it had been discarded.

Nate Raines Robbed. At about the same time or shortly after the McAllister place was burglarized, the home of Nate Raines on West Court street, was robbed. But there the robbers secured less booty than at the McAllister place and the only thing of value taken was a small bank in which several dollars had been dropped. Early this morning the little bank was found on a gravel bank down the river and it had been opened and the contents taken.

Up to this time no arrests have been made for either of above robberies. Suspecting that the crimes had been committed by hoboes, Marshal Gurdane and Bert Wilson, deputy sheriff, searched the river above and below the city at an early hour this morning. Several men who were found were "held up" but all managed to give satisfactory accounts of themselves.

The Stock Exchange. The attempt to burglarize the tenderloin house was made early in the evening. The Stock Exchange is not occupied now but contained some furniture and other articles though nothing of value as the tenants had long since fled the city. It is believed the two men thought to find some liquor in the place, but in this they were disappointed. They were overheard planning the job and the night officers were notified by some of the women in that quarter. Hurrying to the scene they found two men inside the building and promptly took them in charge.

Deny They Are Robbers.

Charles Peterson and Farmer Edwards are the two men arrested by the night officers last night for alleged burglary of the old Stock Exchange. But according to the story of the young men they were not burglarizing the place and are guiltless of any crime.

Peterson, who is an electrician, says he was engaged all day yesterday in rewiring the place. He had a little more to do and says that last night he concluded to finish it while it was cool. So with Edwards along to hold a light he went into the building, donned his working clothes and commenced work. Shortly afterwards he heard the police hammering on the door and they let them in. They say they will be easily able to prove their innocence at the preliminary examination.

TOWN OF UKIAH HAS FEW PARALLELS

In lodge and church circles, the town of Ukiah, in southern Umatilla county, is perhaps unique among the towns of Oregon. Aside from the Presbyterian church and its kindred societies, there is not a solitary lodge, club, association or organization of any kind there. So far as is known it is the only town in eastern Oregon not having one or two of the leading fraternal societies.

The First Presbyterian church of Camas Prairie has just been organized at Ukiah with a charter membership of 33 and all its complementary organizations have been formed, including Sunday school, aid society, Christian endeavor and other church societies, and the entire fraternal life of the town is represented in these societies.

The preliminary work of organizing the Presbyterian church at Ukiah

has been performed by Rev. Levi Johnson, Sunday school missionary, who has conducted Sunday school there for a number of years and the final organization of the church was completed this week by the election of C. B. Sturdivant and A. R. Turner as elders and W. R. Blankenship, B. F. Chilson and J. W. Sturdivant as trustees.

Services will be held in the United Brethren church building erected at Ukiah some time ago. It is possible that the Presbyterians will purchase this building as there is no organization of the United Brethren there at this time.

In the entire immense territory between Pendleton and Ukiah, a distance of about 50 miles, there are but two church organizations, both Presbyterian, at Pilot Rock and Ukiah. There is no other denomination represented in that entire district.