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# NEWS FROM NEARBY VALLEY POINTS

By Capital Journal's Special Correspondents

## TREE FALLS ON AUTO, KILLING MAN KNOWN HERE

Information reached here today of the accidental death at North Bend yesterday of C. E. Mulkey, school superintendent of Coos county. Mr. Mulkey was instantly killed by a tree felled by a wind storm as he was driving into the city park in his automobile.

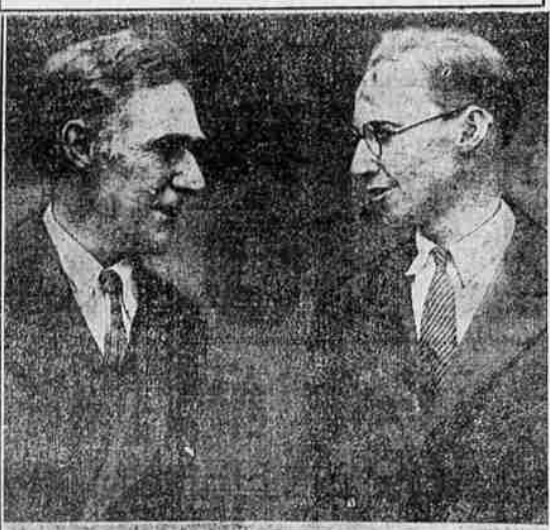
## BILL STEERS' MOTHER, FORMER SALEMITE, DEAD

The Dalles, July 18.—Mrs. H. P. Steers, 47, mother of William H. Steers, ex-football star, died at her home here Friday. Mrs. Steers came across the plains with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ashby, in 1865, from their home in Savannah, Ill. They settled in the Willamette valley near Salem. A few years later they moved to Antelope, Wasco county. Mrs. Steers as a child attended school in The Dalles and in 1878 married H. P. Steers. She left four children, Joseph H. of Bend, William H. of Portland, Mrs. Roy Taylor and Elizabeth of The Dalles, a brother, J. H. Ashby of Salem, and two sisters, Mrs. W. H. Humphreys of Salem, and Mrs. Grace Glover of Sacramento.

## MAN LOSES HAND IN ACCIDENT IN MILL

Mill City, July 18.—J. W. Wiley, employed in the shingle mill of the Hammond Lumber company, suffered a painful injury Wednesday night when he got his left hand in the saw, amputating the hand just below the wrist. He is now in the Mill City hospital. Mr. Wiley came to Mill City to take a position in the shingle mill about ten days ago, and was married last month before the accident occurred.

## Scopes Confers with Counsel



DR. JOHN R. NEAL (left) and JOHN T. SCOPES

## Witness to Murder Claims Scott Could Not Have Shot Clerk

Chicago, July 18.—(AP)—Russell Scott, erstwhile Canadian financier, counting the hours of the week of life given him in the county jail death cell, has been buoyed up in his hope of ultimately escaping the gallows by a development which brought him a reprieve. This was the finding of three new purported witnesses, two here and one in Detroit, declaring the murder of Joseph Maurer, drug clerk, for which Scott was condemned to die, was not in a hold up but in a quarrel over bootleg whiskey, and that Robert Scott, his brother, actually fired the shot. The Chicago witnesses named were withheld by Scott's attorneys. The Detroit is James M. Dalk, a telegraph operator who said he saw the killing by Robert. Dalk's story was branded as a "puro fake" by George E. Gorham, assistant prosecutor, who prosecuted Scott's conviction. He also termed a "bit of strategy" the telegram signed Robert Scott, sent to Governor Len Small from Detroit, in which responsibility for the killing was assumed. Receipt of this telegram caused Governor Small to grant Scott a reprieve of one week, six hours before the time set for his hanging. Dalk told his story in the office of the Detroit Free Press. He said he was in the drug store, across the street from the Scott brothers when the Scotts came to the Chicago city entered. Robert spoke to Maurer and asked him for the money the store owed them. Maurer denied the debt and heated words passed, Dalk's story continued. Maurer ordered them from the store and raised his hand in a striking position.

## PRESBYTERIANS WILL DEDICATE STUDENT HOME

Eugene, July 18.—An outstanding feature in the educational program of the 35th annual session of the Presbyterian synod of Oregon, in meeting here, will be the dedication services of the new \$1,000 Westminister house adjacent to the University of Oregon campus this morning. The house was built for the use of Presbyterian students of the university. The house, which is of English cottage type, was built on land presented as a gift to the synod by two donors, Dr. E. C. Brown and his brother, Dr. S. A. Brown. The "National Mission" board of the Presbyterian church organization, which is composed of seven separate missionary projects, has completed a very successful year, according to the report of the body. It will be necessary, however, to raise an additional \$1,000,000 for this work next year, to cover a deficit of \$451,997 of the past year and a similar estimated amount for the coming year, it was reported. A national missions week in November has been set aside as a period for raising funds for the work, and other days have also been designated. The synod of Oregon adopted a recommendation that Rev. James Alken Smith of the Portland presbytery be appointed as synodical evangelist. In the report on the state of Oregon, it was shown that \$7,000 new members have been added to the presbytery in the state.

## SILVERTON PLANNING FOR COMMUNITY FAIR

Silverton, July 18.—Residents of Silverton and surrounding country asked to attend a meeting in the chamber of commerce rooms Wednesday evening for the purpose of discussing the question of holding a community fair this year such as was held last fall and which was sponsored by the American Legion. The fair of last year was very successful and many of those attending expressed the opinion that it was as good as going to the state fair only on a smaller scale.

## CHILD HEALTH STAFF REPORTS VERY BUSY WEEK

With health clinics held at Silver Creek Falls, Willard, Looney and Salem, the staff of the Marion County Child Health Demonstration reports a busy week for the six day period ending today. A total of 123 children were examined during the week, including 30 members of the Salem summer school, although a few were from Yow Park. The clinic at Looney was held Tuesday. Twenty-three children were examined there. The local committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Miss Margaret Looney, Mrs. J. F. Hochpeter and Mrs. F. R. Simpson. Going on to Silver Creek Falls Wednesday, the staff examined 44 children there. At Silver Creek Falls Mrs. O. P. Harris and Mrs. Schuffner were in charge. At Willard a total of 25 children were examined. The clinic there was held Friday. The local committee in charge was composed of Mrs. Helen R. K. Padgett, Mrs. J. C. Currie and Mrs. Smith. The policy of the health demonstration, which provides for the examining only those children whose parents desire the examination, was carried out. In a large proportion of the cases one parent, usually the mother, accompanied the child to the examination. Thursday of this week was devoted to the examination of Salem pupils. On Monday the usual public clinic at Salem was held. The health demonstration staff will devote its attention to Prater on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

## TRIS SPEAKER AND TY COBB IN RACE FOR LEAD

Chicago, July 18.—(A.P.)—His story is repeating itself today in the dash for the 1925 American league batting championship. Back in 1916 Tris Speaker, gray-haired leader of Cleveland playing his first season with the Indians, beat out Ty Cobb after the Detroit star had held the honors for nine consecutive years. Speaker finished the season with .386; Cobb batted .371.

## BOYS KILL RATTLER NEAR BREITENBUSH

Mill City, July 18.—Three small boys, playing around the river bank at Breitenbush several days ago, discovered and killed a rattlesnake 38 inches in length. The snake had seven rattles and a button. According to old timers in that section, this is the first rattlesnake that he ever been seen around there, and it is thought that it must have been shipped in with some of the contracting outfits goods.

## MILL CITY MAN MARRIED

Mill City, July 18.—June may be the popular month for marriages in some places, but Mill City seems to think that July is proper, if the large number of marriages lately taken as a token. The latest to make the venture is Miss Vinnie Price of Ogden, Utah, and J. E. Short of Mill City, who were married in Ogden recently. Mrs. Short has been employed by the South Pacific company at Ogden since more than about August 15 for the past two years, and Mr. Short's blackberry will be ripe.

## STICKS FOOT UNDER "COLD" WATER; SCALDED

Mill City, July 18.—John Huber, car repairer for the Southern Pacific company at Mill City, suffered a painful injury Thursday evening when he stuck his foot under a faucet in which he thought there was merely warm water, but it proved to be scalding hot, burning all the skin off the top of the foot.

## FALLS CITY CANNERY SHUTS DOWN FOR TIME

Falls City, Ore., July 18.—The local cannery has finished the present fruit pack and will be closed more until about August 15 for the past two years, and Mr. Short's blackberry will be ripe.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS ITEMS

### LIBERTY

Liberty, July 18.—Arthur Weaver of Canas, Washington, has recently visited with his wife, Grover Weaver, has now returned to his home. Wm. A. Doherty, Mrs. Ellinger, Geo. Johnson and Iva Gilbert of Salem were callers at O. L. Deneer's last Friday evening. Roland Jory is progressing with the new date, barn which is nearing completion. Last Friday night a crowd of young people gathered there and danced until a late hour. Mrs. Geo. Jory and Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Deneer visited at Marion last Sunday. Robert Gilmore, who is employed at O. L. Deneer's berry yard had the misfortune last Sunday while in Salem of falling to the cement pavement and a car ran over him the left arm being twice passed over by the wheel. No bones were broken, but badly bruised. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Behnke, parents of Mrs. W. R. Dallas, motorcade over from the coast last week and spent several days at the Dalles home. With them were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cunley of Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, aunt and uncle of Mrs. Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Behnke and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cunley called at the F. S. Scott home last Thursday. The ladies and Mrs. Scott were childhood friends in Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Behnke and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cunley called at the Tom Trich home in Roadside one day last week, renewing old acquaintances. C. R. Deneer of Marion was over Monday on business. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Osborne of Berkeley and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of San Francisco, California, are motoring through to Canada, and stopping with their friends here. Mrs. Anna Robbins and Miss Dora Robbins. Miss Dora Robbins again has charge of the children's play grounds in South Salem. J. V. Deneer of Salem was at P. S. Deneer's Monday. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hains was at their guest Mr. and Mrs. G. Hains of South Dakota, who motored through. Their coming was a surprise to the J. Hains family. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stevenson went to Portland Wednesday. Mr. Stevenson attended the Elks convention there. They returned Friday. The Marion County Child Health Clinic will hold a demonstration at the community hall July 30th and 31st. Mothers take notice, bring the kiddies. Two specialists will be there to serve. B. Cunningham is harvesting some of the best grain that has been grown in those fields for some time.

### GERVAIS

Gervais, July 18.—Leland Selsky who has been spending the last week in Stayton returned home. Mrs. W. Alseup spent Wednesday evening visiting an aunt in Brookings. Mrs. M. D. Henning spent Wednesday in Salem shopping. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cutler and Mrs. R. Harper were in Salem Sunday afternoon. A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schwab and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Nutting and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Cutler and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cutler and family, Vera Koppinger, Cecil Manning, Howard Selsky, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Henning, Mrs. Akrop and granddaughter, all spent last evening on the old swimming hole near Gervais. Mrs. M. D. Henning spent Monday in Stayton on business. Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Manning and family spent last Sunday visiting relatives in Portland. Johnnie and Catherine Nutting are spending a few weeks with their grand-daughter Mrs. Deltrach and Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Schwab and family, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Harper of Aurora Wednesday evening. Mrs. Joe Kuhn and two sons, Ask and Will, after visiting at Gary, Indiana, returned home last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Osborne and other, Mrs. Geo. Williams, spent Sunday in Portland. Mrs. H. W. Brewer went to Marion on Monday to attend the funeral of a relative. J. J. Schibbe, L. P. Gleason, Ward Manning and Claire Smith have been in Portland taking in the Elks convention. They are all here. Miss Kittle Smith went to Portland on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. John S. Harper were in Astoria over Sunday. Miss Ruth Harper of Jefferson was spending the summer at the home of her brother, John Harper. Florence Bowley, Gertrude Bowley and Helea Brewer, spent

### FALLS CITY

Falls City, Ore., July 17.—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Meyers were in Salem Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied by Mrs. Paul Rowe and daughter Rosie who will remain in Salem until Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Watt are the proud grandparents of a 10-month-old grandchild, born July 16 at Banks, Ore., to Mrs. Chester Benefield. Mrs. Benefield will be remembered as Dorothy Watt. Geo. Lacey is having his building on Main street painted. It is occupied by the Enterprise, Falls City's new paper. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meyers were Valdez visitors Thursday. Thursday afternoon at the Salem park. Laine Moxley of Salem has purchased the park on the Pacific highway south of Gervais from John H. Cutforth. **FALLS CITY** Falls City, Ore., July 17.—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Meyers were in Salem Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied by Mrs. Paul Rowe and daughter Rosie who will remain in Salem until Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Watt are the proud grandparents of a 10-month-old grandchild, born July 16 at Banks, Ore., to Mrs. Chester Benefield. Mrs. Benefield will be remembered as Dorothy Watt. Geo. Lacey is having his building on Main street painted. It is occupied by the Enterprise, Falls City's new paper. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meyers were Valdez visitors Thursday.

### MILL CITY

Mill City, Ore., July 18.—Mill City is receiving its first bit of "havin'". Dr. W. W. Allen is giving the road in front of his house and hospital a coat of oil and tar which will have the effect of subduing the dust considerably. Tackett Hill and Frank Thomas of this city went to Portland Wednesday to help celebrate with the Elks. J. A. Nott of Portland, traveling freight agent for the Union Pacific system, was in the city Wednesday on business. Mrs. Nona McAllister and daughter of Portland arrived in the city Thursday to visit a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McLean. She will be joined by Mr. McAllister Saturday. Percy Lyle, who has been employed with the Hammond Lumber company for some time, has resigned and left for Salem Tuesday morning. He sold his property here to Mr. and Mrs. Clive Davis. Mrs. D. B. Hill left for Portland Wednesday, to take in the Elks convention. **MARION** Marion, July 18.—Word was received Thursday from Sacramento of the death of Mrs. Ballinger who had been in the hospital there for the past several weeks. Mrs. Ballinger stopped off Tuesday for a short visit with her mother, Mrs. Patton prior to going to Seattle for the week. Miss Gladys Colgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Colgan, was united in marriage last Saturday to Mr. Elmer Curry. Kermit Russell came down from Oakridge Tuesday and is visiting at the home of his parents. C. A. George was a business visitor at Salem Thursday. Miss Glenn Russell and brother spent Thursday visiting in Salem. Chas. Osman of Jefferson is baling hay for J. M. Christopher this week. E. W. Dick returned to his home at Oakridge Thursday. Geo. Stephens took Miss Ruthford, Mrs. C. W. Russell and Glen and Cora Ruth Russell on a business trip to Toledo Friday. Ovid Pickard transacted business in Jefferson Friday.

### CALL OF FIRE FIGHTERS ISSUED AT FALLS CITY

Falls City, Ore., July 18.—There is another big fire in the woods back of Willamette camp and an urgent call has been sent in for fire fighters. The company will pay \$4.00 per day and board. **BIDS ON SILVERTON ARMORY REJECTED** Silverton, July 18.—Upon opening the bids submitted for the building of an armory at Silverton it was found that none could be considered as all were higher than the amount provided for the purpose. Changes in the armory plans as to choice of material to be used will be made and new bids called for, the bids to be open July 23. **NEW INCORPORATIONS** The following articles of incorporation were filed yesterday with the state corporation department: Edmunds-Fish company, Pacific City; incorporators, Bertha C. Edmunds, Arthur A. Edmunds, Paul J. Edmunds; capital \$5000. Union County Investment company, La Grande; incorporators, A. T. Hill, F. L. Meyers, H. E. Coledge, Robert S. Lakin; capital \$30,000. Longshoremen's Social club, Portland; incorporators, Tom Coleman, James P. White, E. J. Coleman, assets, \$500. Hunter's Cheshire Hot Springs club, Lakeview; incorporators, E. C. Favell, Harry A. Hunter, W. R. Leonard, H. E. Kelly, H. A. Ulrey; capital, \$50,000. Supplementary articles were filed by the Laing & Thomas from Works, Inc., of Portland, changing the name to Central Engineering Works, Inc. Supplementary articles were filed by the Packard-Pierce company of Portland, changing the name to Packard-Malloj company. Notice of dissolution was filed by Axson's Academy of Scientific Beauty Work, Portland. Under the blue sky act the following permits were issued: Portland Bond and Share company, Portland, to sell stock in the sum of \$34,500. William H. Hemphill & Co., Portland, to operate as stockholders. J. R. Harris company, Portland, to operate as stockholder. Mason Hobbs & Co., Portland, to operate as stockholder.

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### JEFFERSON

Jefferson, July 18.—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wiedner left Friday for Eastern Oregon. Jefferson poet who attended the Elks convention during their