

SILVER CREEK FOREST AFIRE

PIERCE IN AIR IN KLAMATH PROSECUTION

Governor Doesn't Know "Where He Is At," Van Winkle Leaves on Three Weeks Vacation.

Governor Pierce said today that he didn't know just "where he was at" relative to the prosecution at Klamath Falls of E. L. Elliott, district attorney of Klamath county; William S. Levens state prohibition commissioner, and L. L. McBride, one of Levens agents.

Determined to have the cases lifted to the bottom, the governor yesterday, in response to appeals from Elliott, ordered Attorney General Van Winkle to prosecute the cases to the full extent of the law. Last night Van Winkle called the governor by telephone, said he had received the order, and added:

"I am leaving on my vacation. I will be gone three weeks. I will (Continued on Page Seven)

SON CONFESSES KILLING FATHER; CORPSE IN WELL

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 5.—Adolph S. Smetak, 22 year old farmer youth was being held at the Nebraska state penitentiary here today pending probable charges of first degree murder. Smetak, county officers say confessed last night that he had killed his father, John Smetak 67, and had thrown the body in a well on the farm on which they lived near Wahoo.

The body was found by county officers Tuesday afternoon and placed in a tool house in the Wahoo cemetery awaiting burial. Late last night, however, the building was mysteriously fired and the body was burned almost beyond recognition.

The elder Smetak disappeared last March 12 and the son told farmer neighbors that he had gone to Europe. Neighbors and county authorities accepted the explanation temporarily but later began to doubt the story, especially as they said they previously had complaints from the boy's father that "he was afraid" of his son.

Tuesday, the county attorney, sheriff and several other county officials came to the Smetak farm with a liquor search warrant and found the decomposed body of the elder Smetak in a well on the farm.

Confronted with the body, he was accused of the murder and confessed, the county attorney said, that he and his father had quarreled and that he had struck his father on the head with a hammer and then dumped the body in the well.

He was rushed to the state penitentiary here for safekeeping as feeling is said to be strong at Wahoo.

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No Federal Issue Involved in Scopes Case Asserts Peay

Battle Creek, Mich., Aug. 5.—(AP)—Governor Austin Peay of Tennessee in a statement here today announced that the state of Tennessee will employ counsel from this time forward and combat every question that can be raised on appeal of the John T. Scopes case.

The governor and Mrs. Peay left today for Nashville after six weeks rest here.

"What the effect of the evolution trial at Dayton will have in the long run, is for the future, the governor said. "Surely it will cause a more spread investigation of the whole theory of evolution that will go a long way to clarify the atmosphere.

"The reckless teaching of a subject which has been carried on until now and going uncorrected and undisturbed has been steadily making agnostics and unbelievers among our youth in shocking numbers.

"Ours from the beginning has been a Christian nation. Its doom is sealed and its descent toward oblivion well begun whenever we embrace infidelity and agnosticism as a people.

"The story writers and sensation mongers who crowded Dayton (Continued on Page Five)

WANT DIMICK DISCHARGED AS ADMINISTRATOR

Under a petition and citation filed in probate, Grant B. Dimick, alleged Oregon City absconder, is ordered to appear in county court here on August 7, at 10 o'clock in the morning, to show cause why he should not be discharged as administrator of the estate of his brother, Ralph C. Dimick, who died October 22, 1911.

The citation is being issued on petition of another brother, Hardy E. Dimick, who desires to be named as administrator so that the estate, which has been hanging fire without action for many years, may be closed.

Ralph C. Dimick left an estate valued at \$4100 in real property and \$642 in personal property held in Marion county. A man named Crittenden was named as administrator, but after serving a time resigned and Grant B. Dimick was named in his stead. The petition recites that Grant B. Dimick disappeared on May 1, 1924, that his whereabouts have never been determined, and it is believed he has been out of the state of Oregon since that time.

Dimick absconded, it is charged, after a long period of speculation with money received on mortgages and after being engaged in a number of dubious transactions. At the time it was charged he carried away with him a sum variously estimated at from \$50,000 to \$200,000.

His relatives believe that he is dead.

CALF STEALING BEAR IS KILLED

Bend, Aug. 5.—Determined to capture or kill the marauder which had been making serious inroads on young cattle and calves of the Tumalo Beef Breeders association, Cleon Clark, ranger rider, with the aid of his dog and horse succeeded last night in slaying a black bear weighing 300 pounds and which measured 7 feet from tip to tip after the animal had been caught in the act of devouring one of the company's calves.

TEN INJURED IN TROLLEY COLLISION IN DENSE FOG

Chicago, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Two street cars collided in a fog on a single track line on the far south side and only a few miles from the Indiana state line, resulting in injury to ten persons, two perhaps fatally. The crash was head-on, neither motor man being able to see the other's car until too late to stop.

FRENCH DENY PEACE TERMS GIVEN RIFFS

Foreign Office Assert Conditions Alleged Imposed Propaganda Put Out By Abd-el-Krim.

Paris, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The foreign office denied the authority of an account published in Paris today of peace terms alleged to have been offered to Abd-el-Krim, the rebel Moroccan chief, by France and Spain.

The alleged terms included administrative autonomy for the Rif, Abd-el-Krim's recognition of the spiritual authority of the sultan of Morocco and purported to set boundaries for the Rif state.

In official circles here, the account published is attributed to the Rifian leader himself. Officials admit that the alleged terms are correct as regards an offer of autonomy to the Rif, but the frontiers outlined in the account as well as conditions relative to the Rif army are declared to be either imaginary or propaganda.

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SEIZE FORTUNE IN DRUGS IN RAID ON OPIUM DEN

Chicago, Aug. 5.—A fortune in narcotics, found in an apartment which had all the fixtures of an Oriental den, was seized by federal agents last night.

They arrested Kitty Gilhooley, who, with her husband, Willie, they charged with carrying on a wholesale traffic that would handle nothing less than \$500 sales. The value of the drugs confiscated was variously estimated between \$144,000 and \$250,000 with an additional \$100,000 worth of pipes and weighing and measuring requisites.

Pat Roche, ace of the special intelligence unit of the internal revenue department, who led the raid, said the woman had been the biggest importer of drugs in the middle west and could supply any amount on short notice.

Four men were arrested as peddlers and search was started for twenty more. During the fortnight the government men watched the den, they said more than 100 nationally known underworld characters visited it.

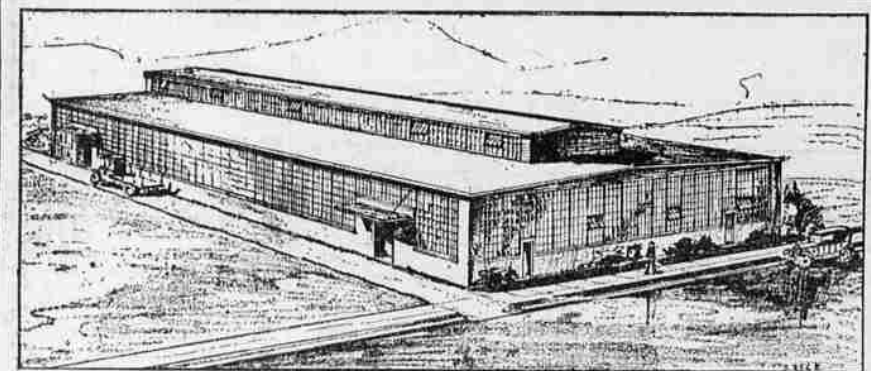
ARGUMENTS IN KIDNAPPING CASE

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 5.—(AP)—The state concluded argument at noon here today in answer to defense contentions on a motion for a directed verdict of acquittal on behalf of three men on trial charged with plotting to kidnap Mary Pickford, screen actress.

Fish Know Their Friend And Eat from His Hand But Not from Others

It may not be possible, but it has happened. It happens every day at the Salem bathhouse at the foot of Court street, often in the presence of numerous witnesses.

FACTORY BUILDING TO BE ERECTED IN SALEM FOR WESTERN PAPER CONVERTING COMPANY



Construction to start at once on North Front street site of 100x240 foot building to cost \$40,000 for new company incorporated for \$200,000 capital. From 100 to 150 will be employed steadily.

ASK SALEM TO OPPOSE BUILDING OF HILL LINES

The special committee of the chamber of commerce with Scott Page chairman, last night heard speakers for and against the resolution of the Southern Pacific endeavoring its stand in the south central Oregon controversy. The committee did nothing but listen and took no action holding action in abeyance pending further consideration.

A. A. Michel, T. L. Billingsley and Frank Deekelbach spoke in favor of the resolution and E. M. Page against it, as representative of the Hill lines.

The resolution which the Southern Pacific wants the chamber of commerce to adopt is as follows:

LUNATIC'S DEATH DUE TO INJURIES

A post-mortem examination of Alfred Woods, the negro inmate of the state hospital for the insane who died Tuesday morning, showed that injuries received in a fight with attendants when the negro became violent last Sunday were a contributing factor to his death. It is not believed, however, that there will be a prosecution of the attendants since they were on the defensive and had to use their combined efforts to subdue the colored man.

Offers Solution For Irrigation Districts Facing Bankruptcy

Col. E. M. Plasse, colonization agent of the Western Pacific Railroad company, today placed before the state irrigation securities commission a new plan for solution of the Silver Lake district problem in Lake county which brought expressions of approval from Governor Pierce and State Treasurer Kay, and which apparently has a chance of adoption.

IRISH WOMAN EXECUTED

Dublin, Aug. 5.—(A. P.)—A rare event in Ireland—the execution of a woman—took place in Mount Joy prison today, when Anne Walsh and Michael Talbot were put to death for murder of Mrs. Walsh's husband at Limerick. Talbot was a relative of the victim.

Fed Baby Booze Make a Tough Guy Out of 2 Year Old

Chicago, Cal., Aug. 5.—C. L. Coker, held in connection with the death of M. T. Teeter, a neighbor, who he admitted stabbing six times with an ice pick, gave his two year old boy liquor and cigarettes to make a "tough guy" out of him.

JAILERS ASSERT SCOTT SANE AS OTHER PEOPLE

Chicago, Aug. 5.—William Wallace, a jail officer who guarded Russell Scott in death row, testifying for the prosecution in Scott's sanity hearing today, said he found the prisoner "as sane as anyone could be under the circumstances."

SEEK TO IDENTIFY BODY OF VICTIM IN SCHWARTZ CASE

Martinez, Cal., Aug. 5.—(AP)—An unidentified workman from New York City was tentatively accepted by authorities today as the murder victim whose charred body was found in the laboratory of the Pacific Cellulose company last week, after an explosion and fire as the result of which Charles Henry Schwartz, Berkeley, chemist is being sought on a warrant charging murder.

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Fire in timber property of the Silver Falls Timber company which has cut a swath 19 miles long through heavy timber on the Silver Creek side of the canyon in the company's holding, and under a heavy wind is sweeping through the forests in the direction of Mill City another 10 miles away, according to County Commissioner Porter of Silverton in the city today.

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PITY THE POOR OVERWORKED BUSY GOVERNOR

Illustrating his speech with numerous anecdotes, William A. Dalzell, secretary to Governor Pierce, this noon addressed the Salem Rotary club. He related the tale of the Irishman who claimed to be writing a book of "all the people I can lick." Happening to get the name of his neighbor written down, and challenged by his neighbor to prove his claim, the Irishman said, "You say I can't lick you? Well then I'll just take your name off the list."

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