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ALBANY FIRM AWARDED HOTEL CONTRACT

BUSINESS MEN OF PORTLAND HERE MONDAY

Chamber of Commerce Will Entertain Sixty-Six Visitors ARE HERE FOUR HOURS

Ashland to be Visited by Portland Chamber of Commerce on Tour of Oregon

Ashland will act as host on Monday to sixty-six members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce when that body arrives in this city on the start of their inspection of Oregon. The members of the Portland booster organization will arrive in Ashland at 9:30 Monday morning, and will remain in this city until 1:30 P. M. when they will be transported to Medford by members of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce.

According to J. H. Fuller, secretary of the Ashland organization, the Portland visitors will bring with them a ten piece kiltie band, which will be used in pepping up their stops on their trip through the state.

Fuller announced this morning that the visitors would be met at the train by members of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, and escorted into the business district of the city. They will be asked to inspect the stores of the city, and later will be shown through Lithia Park, and taken about the city. At noon a luncheon will be served them at the Hotel Ashland.

A short program for the luncheon has been arranged by Fuller, including speeches of welcome by several of the leading business men of Ashland. Although the speakers have not been definitely selected, Fuller announced that the complete program would be decided upon this evening.

Following the luncheon, the members of the excursion will be taken to Medford in automobiles by members of the Chamber of Commerce. Fuller urges every member of the body, who can possibly do so, to tender the use of his car, both in bringing the visitors from the train, and in transporting them to Medford.

Included in the personnel of the visiting party will be representatives of most of the banks of Portland, many of the leading merchants and business men, representatives of the newspapers, and heads of the leading manufacturing plants in that city.

The party will leave Portland on October 19, and will visit Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg, North Bend, Marshfield, Powers, Myrtle Point, Conifield, Bandon, Reedsport and Eugene, returning to Portland on the evening of October 25.

THREE AVIATORS DIE FOLLOWING PLANE CRASH IN MID-AIR

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 18. — Two men were killed instantly and a third had a miraculous escape from death at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon in a mid-air collision 1300 feet above Coronado of two naval Vought airplanes.

The dead: Ensign Merritt J. Flanders, 24, attached to the transport Vega. Robert H. Kerr, aviation chief machinist mate, naval air station. Kerr resided in San Diego and leaves a widow and three small children.

Gunner William Cole escaped with his life when he walked out on the wing of his Vought and plunged head first to the ground, his parachute opening after he had fallen 500 feet.

The mid-air collision occurred when Kerr dived with his Vought plane out of a cloud hole. Cole, traveling faster than 115 miles an hour directly below, did not see Kerr's plane until the crash.

GLENDALE, Cal., Oct. 18. — Lieutenant - Commander Gratton C. Dichen of the aircraft squadron, battle fleet, stationed at the

HOOVER AND McNEIL TO BUILD STRUCTURE

Construction Work Will Start on New Building Within Next Ten Days Says Member of Firm Receiving the Award on Lithian Hotel. Portland Firms Receive Contracts for Other Work.

With a bid of \$129,990, the firm of Hoover and McNeil, well known builders of Albany, were awarded the contract for the general construction work on the new Lithian Hotel, by the directors of the Lithian Hotel Association following the opening of 29 bids last night. The bid of Hoover and McNeil was \$8,340 lower than their nearest competitor, the Hedges and Hubs company of Portland.

According to E. L. McNeil, a member of the firm, who was present to witness the opening of the bids, the firm will immediately start moving equipment to Ashland, and it is his belief that construction work will be under way within ten days. Work will be pushed as rapidly as possible, and McNeil stated he believed the work would be completed by June 1, 1925.

It will be the policy of the firm in this construction work, McNeil stated, to purchase all materials possible in Ashland, and to use Ashland labor, with the exception of a few men, in the construction of the building. Since they realize the hotel construction is a civic proposition, the builders will co-operate in every way in utilizing home labor and materials.

The firm of Hoover and McNeil has been a prominent one in building circles in Oregon for the past 20 years. Many of the buildings at the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural College, in Eugene and Corvallis, have been constructed under their supervision. Much of the work planned by the firm of Tourtelotte and Hummel, architects on the hotel building, has been completed by this firm.

They are now engaged in constructing buildings in the Coos Bay district, under plans drawn up by Tourtelotte and Hummel. McNeil stated last night that both he and his associates would move their families to Ashland as soon as construction work had been started.

The firm of W. S. Flemming and Co., of Portland was awarded the contract for the installing of the plumbing and heating equipment. Their bid of \$26,000 was \$477 lower than that of their nearest competitor, the C. E. Klatt Heating Co., of Portland.

The Flemming company is a well known firm in Portland, and they have handled the installation of heating and plumbing equipment in many large buildings throughout the state.

NePage and McKenny, well known Portland electrical firm, was awarded the contract for the installation of the electrical equipment in the building. Their bid for the work was \$3953. According to specifications, the new structure will be one of the best lighted buildings of its kind in the country. The company receiving the contract has been identified with the electrical equipment business for many years in Portland, and the results of their efforts are to be seen in buildings throughout the state.

The Otis Elevator Company, manufacturers and installers of elevators were awarded the contract for the installation of the elevator in the new building. The Otis company is probably the best known elevator construction company in the country at the present time.

It will be noticed that the total cost, which includes the site, excavation, building, plumbing, heating, wiring, elevator and architect's fees, is approximately \$7800 more than the original guaranteed estimate. This increase is caused by the changes which have been made in the original plans and specifications, by the addition of the club dining room, interior work and finish in the lobby, the dining room, ladies parlor and the ballroom.

Without these additions the cost of the structure would have been \$800 more than the original estimate. This cost is offset to quite an extent by the fact that a rental of \$100 per month for one additional store room will be

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NEW MYSTERY DEATH FOUND IN SAN DIEGO

Nude Body of Woman Is Found in Home in City

ONE SUSPECT IS HELD

Physician Reports Woman Had Been Strangled to Death Following Terrific Struggle

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 18. — The police here are investigating a new murder mystery, following the finding late last night of the practically nude body of Mrs. Anna Williams Looer in her home. Stephen Richards of this city, 42, who found the body, and reported his discovery to the police, later admitted that he had kept company with Mrs. Looer for some time. He is being held in the jail here without bail while the story is being investigated by the police.

The county autopsy physician who examined the body, reported that the woman had been strangled to death, after a terrible struggle.

OFFICIAL HAS THE JOY BEING PINCHED

ASTORIA, Ore. Oct. 18. — Lawrence Anderson, deputy state land commissioner, enjoyed the thrill of being handcuffed and dragged from a local restaurant Wednesday.

Despite his remonstrances, Anderson was hauled from the table where he was dining with his wife, but was released when the street was reached. It appeared that the police officer had made the "arrest" on what he said was identification of Anderson by a furniture dealer as a man who recently had passed a worthless check at the latter's establishment.

The dealer, on the other hand, denied having pointed Anderson out to the officer.

MUSCLE SHOALS OFFER FORMALLY WITHDRAWN IN WIRE TO COOLIDGE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18. — Henry Ford has formally withdrawn his five million dollar offer for the Government's nitrate properties at Muscle Shoals. It was officially announced from the White House today. The withdrawal was contained in a telegram from Ford to President Coolidge.

In the telegram, Ford reminded the President that his offer had been pending since July 8, 1921, and said that he was not willing to wait any longer for the government to act upon his proposal. As a result of the withdrawal of the offer, it is probable that the government will be forced to develop the giant plants, used only during the war time, for the production of nitrates used in explosives.

There is wisdom in reading ads.

FATHER KILLS SMALL SON IN GUN MISHAP

YREKA, Oct. 18. — Leo, 6-year-old son of I. B. Marley, an employe of the California & Oregon Power Company at Copco, was shot and instantly killed by the father in an accident yesterday.

Marley had been out hunting the day before, returning late. He left his rifle loaded over night and yesterday morning, in extracting the shells, accidentally discharged the piece, the bullet striking the boy, who was standing close in the heart.

The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental death. Marley came here two weeks ago from Soda Springs, Idaho. The family consisted of the father and mother, a brother, 18; sister, 8, and little Leo.

WOMAN CARRIES OWN COFFIN ON SEA TRIP

NEW YORK, Oct. 18. — Mrs. C. Creed, a London woman, who said she had a fear of burial at sea arrived today on the Lancastria, bringing her own coffin. Ten years ago her husband died while crossing the Atlantic and the sea became his grave.

The casket will again cross the ocean when Mrs. Creed returns to London, after a visit to Washington, she said.

COOLIDGE IS LEADING IN THE DIGEST POLL

Returns Show President Is Far Ahead of Other Candidates

MORE STATES TO COME

Districts Known to be Favorable to Davis and La Follette Still to be Canvassed

All the 48 states of the union have contributed to the huge total of almost 2,000,000 votes now gathered and tabulated in the Literary Digest straw vote, according to the latest issue of that publication.

The Digest states: "Within this issue, the returns may, for the first time, be considered fairly representative of the nation as a whole. It is noteworthy that the Democratic percentage has risen slightly, with a corresponding fall in the Republican percentage. The total votes for the three leading candidates, 1,066,214 for Coolidge; 385,205 for Davis; and 432,660 for La Follette, expressed in percentages, shows 56 per cent Republican, 20 per cent Democratic and almost 23 per cent Progressive.

"The Democratic percentages may be expected to rise still further with succeeding returns, since the states in which Democratic strength is confessedly strongest are among the last ones to report. Many Democratic spokesmen, and notably Senator 'Pat' Harrison of Mississippi, have explained that the Democratic campaign is slow in getting underway by comparison with the campaigns of Coolidge and La Follette, and therefore it may be considered to the advantage of the Democrats that their strongholds are being heard from comparatively late in the poll. This fact may compensate for any advantages being given the Republicans and Progressives."

"The Democratic candidate is now shown to be leading in eleven states, with a vote so close in two others, Kentucky and Oklahoma, that a small readjustment is possible."

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BURGLAR CONTENTS HE IS GREATLY OVERRATED

PORTLAND, Oct. 18. — Ben Tanner, a youthful stick-up man, doesn't like to have the newspapers and, incidentally, the public, misled.

Ben, who is only 17, admits that he and Donald Kelly used a couple of revolvers July 19 to persuade certain members of the Congress club to relinquish what cash chanced to be on their respective persons. Ben was arrested Wednesday night.

"But the newspapers said that we got \$65," Ben told reporters at line-up this morning. "That ain't so. We only got \$55."

DAVIS PLANS FOR CAMPAIGNING ALL EASTERN SECTIONS

Democratic Candidate to Leave for East Following Speech in Cleveland

ST LOUIS, Oct. 18. — John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for the Presidency, who invaded trans-Mississippi soil to make a final personal appeal for votes in the Middle Western states, will leave tonight for Nashville, Tenn., to make a "complimentary visit" in appreciation of the support offered him by the states making up the "solid south."

Following his visit to Nashville, Davis stated he would devote the remainder of his campaign efforts to the East, following addresses in Louisville, Evansville, Ind., and Cleveland.

Davis, in his campaign, has followed closely in line with the other men on the ballot, in first campaigning the Middle West before turning his attention upon the East, where they are now preparing for a list minute, intensive campaign.

Portland Couple, Hurt in Car Crash Still at Hospital

SALEM, Oct. 18. — Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Savage, No. 1151 East Grant street, Portland, injured in an automobile collision on the Pacific highway near Chemawa, north of here, Sunday are still in a Salem hospital, although their condition was reported as not serious this morning.

Mrs. Savage, who suffered a fracture of the pelvis bone, will probably be confined to the hospital for some time yet, but Savage suffered only a few cuts about the face and is expected to leave the hospital in a few days.

BIG LINER BADLY DAMAGED IN STORM

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18. — With part of her bridge swept away and carrying an injured officer and 300 excited passengers, the liner H. F. Alexander arrived Thursday afternoon eight hours behind schedule after going through one of the worst storms encountered on the Pacific coast in years.

The vessel ran into a gale which blew 75 miles an hour shortly after she left Seattle Tuesday night. The storm reached its highest point at 11:01 A. M. Wednesday, when two giant waves struck the ship, one after the other, carrying away part of her bridge and superstructure and breaking much glass.

F. G. Keyes, fourth officer of the ship, was hurled to the deck and swept along by the waves, suffering a broken arm. Flooded staterooms of the passengers caused Captain E. P. Barlett of the ship to order all passengers on deck. Much of the passengers' baggage and the cargo of the ship was ruined by the water. Some of the ships instruments, including the radio, compass and the gyrocompass, were damaged. The vessel has cancelled her trip to Los Angeles and will not sail for Seattle Saturday as scheduled, officials of the Pacific Steamship company announced today.

DIRIGIBLE IS NOW MOORED AT DESTINATION

Shenandoah Arrives in Camp Lewis After Stormy Trip Up Coast

BIG BAG IS DEFLATED

Officers Receive Congratulations of Thousands Upon Arrival in Washington

CAMP LEWIS, Oct. 18. — At the end of her transcontinental journey, the giant Navy dirigible the Shenandoah arrived here at 7:15 this morning. The big ship was badly hampered in landing by the heavy fog which hung over the camp. She cruised about until 4 p. m. and circled about the army reservation before making fast to her mooring mast.

When Rear Admiral Moffett and Commander Lansdown disembarked, they received the congratulations of hundreds of army officers and civilians who were awaiting their arrival.

The Shenandoah's supply of Helium, which the bag is inflated, was badly depleted, due to the severe headwinds encountered during the run up the California and Oregon coasts. The bag may be refilled at Camp Lewis.

The dirigible passed over Portland at 4:15 this morning, presenting a great picture as she pushed along in the starry moon light of the morning. She passed over Portland at an altitude of 4,000 feet, traveling at the rate of about 40 miles per hour.

The dirigible came inland from the coast near Eugene, and proceeded north along the Southern Pacific train route.

CAMP LEWIS, Oct. 18. — The Shenandoah floated lazily over Camp Lewis today, awaiting sun-down when the Helium gases will have cooled sufficiently to allow the air cruiser to be moored at her masthead here. The sun expanded the gases, and with a shortage of gasoline, the ship became so buoyant that she could not be pulled down. The Shenandoah will likely start south Sunday morning.

GANGSTERS GET SIX MONTHS IN JAIL AS RESULT OF PARTIES

SISKIYOU, Oct. 18. — Determined to break up what they declare to be a crime clique in Siskiyou county, C. E. Johnson, district attorney, and A. S. Calkins, sheriff, are on the trail of two more members of the group who eluded Deputy Sheriffs Ritz and Magoffey when they raided the headquarters last week and caught five members.

Allie O'Grady, the reputed leader and who has been in the prize rings of northern California, and his brother James were sentenced to serve six months each in the county jail here when they appeared before Albert H. Thomas, justice of the peace, Saturday.

They were charged with vagrancy together with Henry Keaton, aged 17, and his sister Edna. Young Keaton was given two months in jail and the girl received six months, but her sentence was suspended during good behavior.

Girl Taken Home
The men were arrested on an open charge last week when the father of Charlotte Davis of Etta charged them with plying his daughter with liquor. The girl was taken home by her father. Following the arrest, it transpired that two members of the gang had kicked in the doors of the homes of Ernest Robinson and Bessie Snelling and at the latter's home in a midnight raid had brutally choked the old woman. In addition to this, the hold-up of Fred Cleland, a Yreka man, is also laid at their door. The charges will be held in abeyance by the state.

To Attend School—
Everett Redifer of Myrtle Creek arrived recently in Ashland and will attend the high school. Mr. Redifer was an Ashland resident several years ago.

EX-BAPTIST PASTOR SUES CONGREGATION ON SLANDER CHARGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18. — Two suits, asking a total of \$150,000, are on file at Sacramento today against certain members of the congregation of the First Baptist church of Ceres, Cal., and against the Northern Baptist convention, with headquarters in San Francisco.

The suits were filed by the Rev. W. M. McCart, ex-pastor of the church, and who left here for McMinnville, Ore. They were filed in the United States district court and charge "slander and scandalous, false and defamatory statements."

Those named in the first suit for \$100,000 are Jerome B. Tupper, Milton R. Heise, Paul H. Jaeger and two others designated as John Doe and Richard Roe, and in the second suit the Baptist convention.

According to the complaint Rev. Mr. McCart was accused of misconduct with three women members of the Ceres congregation while he held that pastorate, says the complaint. Those named in the first suit caused to be read in the church on October 18, 1923, a letter alleged to have been written by the minister to Mrs. J. G. Tupper of Ceres.

The minister denies the authorship of the letter and the inferences contained in it and accuses of the Northern Baptist convention in the second suit for \$50,000 of having inserted in its bulletin the following statement: "We regret to report that at a recent council of the Central association, Rev. W. M. McCart, pastor of the Ceres church, was found guilty of charges of gross misconduct brought against him and the council recommended the withdrawal."

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CABARET SINGER IS KICKED TO DEATH IN DRUNKEN BRAWL

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 18. — Motive underlying the brutal slaying of Marjorie Donovan, cabaret entertainer, killed in a midnight brawl, was being sought by police as investigation of the "party" continued.

Walter Weiman, said to have kicked Miss Donovan until she died a short time later, while the two were members of a Jamaica ginger celebration in a Centennial street house, is held on a charge of suspicion of murder.

A grim angle in the affair was revealed in the story of Miss Bertie Fowler, present during the party. She said she awoke some time after she and Miss Donovan went to bed early yesterday and found the other woman dead beside her.

"I went in and told the men that Margy was dead," Miss Fowler said. "They said we couldn't do anything to help her, so I went back to bed beside the body and we all slept until 10 o'clock. Then we called the police."

DEER TO BE SLAIN PREVENT EPIDEMIC

SALEM, Oct. 18. — Under an order issued by the agricultural department of the state of California all deer on two ranges there are being slaughtered as a precaution against any future outbreaks of the foot and mouth disease.

The action of the California officials was based on a report prepared by federal veterinarians, who held that deer were carriers of the disease.

The Tidings' Ads Bring Results