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## SUSPECTS HELD IN SOUTH NOT D'AUTREMONT'S

Men Held in Mexican City Released from Charge of Siskiyou Murder

## GUARD IS STILL KEPT

O'Connell Talks With Suspects and Exhortates Them from Connection in the Crime

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—The Southern Pacific announced here today that special agent O'Connell had wired information to this city that the two men held in Esperanza, Mexico, believed to be two of the three D'Autremont brothers who are wanted for dynamiting train No. 13 at tunnel No. 13 in the Siskiyou mountains on October 11, 1923, in which four trainmen were brutally shot and killed, were not the bandits sought. In view of this fact, the prisoners were released from jail today. In a telegram received by the Tidings last night, it was reported that Dan O'Connell had had several talks with the two men, who gave the names of Roy and Ray Burton. O'Connell ordered a strict guard kept over the suspects, all last night, and until it was learned today that the two were not the ones sought.

At several different times reports have been made of the capture of the brothers, but each time it has turned out in a false alarm.

## SCHOOL EXPLOSION IS NEARLY FATAL

A serious explosion occurred yesterday in the chemistry room of the high school, in which one girl narrowly escaped possible death, and several others permanent injury. The material exploded while mixing a preparation which was being heated. The injured are Lois Hanson, Elizabeth Stearns, Webster Chestnut and Max Crowson. Miss Hanson was the most seriously injured, being cut a bad gash on the neck, which nearly penetrated to the Jugular vein. She was rushed to the hospital, where she was placed under an anesthetic. Max Crowson had both hands badly cut, his thumb split open and a tendon split lengthwise. Doctors say that it will not injure the use of his hands, however. The others were less seriously cut about the face and body. They are reported to be doing nicely.

## FILES WORTH \$50,000 IN MCCLINTOCK CASE

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Elimination of the written record of inquiry of William Sheppard, foster father of the late "Billie" McClintock, millionaire orphan, regarding courses in bacteriology, from the files of the national school of applied science, was worth \$50,000 to certain unnamed persons, it was testified at the McClintock inquest by one of the three "surprise" witnesses rounded up by the police and held in greatest secrecy pending today's session.

## Ezra Meeker, Aged Seattle Pioneer Great Grandpa

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 27.—Ezra Meeker, Seattle's ninety-four year old pioneer of Old Oregon Trail fame and transcontinental flyer, is tripping along a little more jauntily these days.

The reason is that he has just welcomed another of his many descendants into the great country he helped to settle. The newcomer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred G. McDonald, 5015 54th Avenue, South. She is Meeker's eighteenth great-grandchild and has been given the name of Margaret, with the approval of her distinguished great-granddaddy.

The father is Meeker's nineteenth grandchild. His mother was a daughter of the pioneer. The venerable great-grandfather will be the honor guest at christening ceremonies, at which there will be an imposing assemblage of grandsons, granddaughters and great-granddaughters.

Little Margaret McDonald was born here last Saturday.—Seattle Times.

Mrs. McDonald will be remembered here as Grace Preley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Preley, now of Seattle.

## Gives Sentence to Husband Whom She Declares Beat Her

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27.—A woman in Domestic Relations Court sat in judgment on her husband and achieved what she said had been her ambition for thirty years. Pleas for mercy, however saved the defendant from a prison sentence.

The woman told Judge MacNelle that her husband beat her and their seven children "every time he comes home drunk."

"Then I'll let you see him," said the court.

The husband promised not to beat the children or get drunk, and he was ordered by the court to pay his wife \$14 a week of his \$22 weekly salary. He was placed on probation for a year.

## FOUR PORTLAND DRUGGISTS ARE TAKEN CUSTODY

Well Known Druggists Are Arrested on Charges of Selling Opium

PORTLAND, Feb. 27.—Federal and police narcotic officers, working together, last night arrested four well-known Portland druggists on charges of selling paregoric containing opium to known addicts. Arrests were made in pharmacies following raids. The men were held for the government. Those arrested follow:

Dr. James E. Arnold, Baker Drug company, 265 Burnside street.

R. A. Watson, proprietor of the City Hall Pharmacy, 275 Fifth street.

Frank E. Kline, clerk in City Hall Pharmacy.

John M. A. Laue, president and owner of the Laue-Davis Drug store, Third and Yamhill streets.

Federal officers declared that known users of narcotic drugs working as stool-pigeons had made purchases of paregoric at the pharmacies. The paregoric contained a small quantity of opium, it was said.

The fact that paregoric is being sought by addicts is evidence that the supply of opium, cocaine and heroin in Portland is low. Although there are paregoric addicts just as there are opium addicts, they are few in number, but those who have a craving for opium or its derivatives use paregoric to satisfy their desires when the stronger drugs are not obtainable.

It is believed that groundwork for last night's arrests was laid several months ago, for at that time information on the use of paregoric by persons unable to obtain cocaine was given officials by a woman operative who told of having used it herself during a drug-famine in Portland.

## AGED RESIDENT PASSES AWAY THIS MORNING

Isaac Newton Shook, aged pioneer and prominent resident of Ashland for the past 25 years, died at his home in the Shook building, this morning at 6:00 after an illness of several weeks. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

The deceased was born Dec. 25, 1844, and has resided in the city for the past forty years. He passed away at the age of 80 years two months and 2 days. He is well known in this district, and a member of the Elks lodge.

He is survived by a daughter, Kathlyn Shook, his wife, and a step-son, Clyde Payne of Orange, California.

Funeral services will take place at the Dodge Chapel. His going marks the passing of another of the old pioneers that are yearly becoming fewer and fewer. As a citizen and friend of the community, he has served loyally, and his death is a real loss to the community at large and to that great organization, the pioneers.

## NORTHWESTERN CARAVAN TOURS SOUTHWEST

Is Made Up of Canadian, Washington and Oregon Citizens

## WILL RETURN TOUR

Invitations to Join Will be Broad-Casted Over Entire District; Large Enrollment Expected

PORTLAND, Feb. 27.—Early in April the Pacific northwest will send an automobile caravan of business men to California. Next year Californians will reciprocate by coming northward in a similar caravan. Jaunts of the north-erners into the land of perpetual sunshine will be made during winter or spring. Trips here of the Californians will be made in the summer, when California is hot and the northwest is cool.

Directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce Tuesday approved the new plan of reciprocal visits. The matter was turned over to the publicity department and outdoor recreation committee. These immediately began plans for the northwest's caravan. Announcements and invitations to join will be sent broadcast over the state and enrollment of a large number of business men and representative citizens is expected by Herbert Cuthbert, manager of the publicity department, who will receive the reservations.

The Pacific northwest caravan will be made up of British Columbia, Washington and Oregon sections. There will be subdivisions for cities in each section. As the plan is now formulated, the southbound caravan will be joined by a similar deputation from Nevada.

It is planned that the motor excursion will reach San Francisco on April 12, the day before the official opening of the convention of Pacific coast hotelmen. Numbers of the hotelmen of the north are expected to join in the caravan. Sojourners will be urged to stick together about five days in California, or until Los Angeles is reached. Disbandment then will be in order, at least for those who wish to pursue their own itineraries, make visits or otherwise pause by the way.

Commercial bodies and civic clubs all over the state will be asked to co-operate in making the caravan scheme a success.

## NEW OMNIBUS BILL MADE BY CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Congress sent a new omnibus bill, providing for \$65,000,000 wage increases of postal employees through enlarged revenues from higher postal rates, to the president for signature. The bill also provided complete publicity campaign expenditures and contributions, with limited campaign funds for senators and representatives.

## Arguments Begin in Blackburn Suit for Damage Loss

MEDFORD, Feb. 27.—Arguments were begun yesterday morning in the damage suit of Mrs. Viola Blackburn against the Medford Irrigation district, and the case is expected to go to the jury early this afternoon. Mrs. Blackburn is suing the irrigation district for \$6440 damages, for alleged injuries received in an auto accident on the Pacific highway June 4, 1922, when the car in which she was riding passed over repair work of the irrigation district, in installing a culvert.

The chief contention of the defense is that scores of autos passed over the work without accident, and that Mrs. Blackburn's injuries were due to careless driving by Thomas I. Temple. They also contend that Temple failed to regard the warning signs. The defense also stresses the fact that Mrs. Blackburn won a contest among the bank clerks of Jackson and Josephine counties, nine months after the accident.

Most of the testimony was devoted to showing the precautions used by the irrigation company to protect traffic, and medical testimony to show the physical condition of the plaintiff.

There's a message in The Tidings Want Ads.

## Wins Fortune After Twenty Years



GEORGE CAMPBELL CARSON, INTEL.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 27.—George Campbell Carson, a miner of this locality, who has been living in cheap waterfront lodging houses in San Francisco, has been awarded the verdict in a twenty-year court battle, by which he will receive royalties and damages amounting to nearly \$20,000,000. Under the decision passed by the United States Circuit Court, Carson is entitled to royalties on a mining device he declared he conceived and patented nineteen years ago. Big copper mining interests are alleged to have used the device for many years despite Carson's claims. He says he will continue his simple life, but is glad he has enough money to continue his experiments.

## ROSEBURG BALL TOSSEBS TO MEET LOCALS HERE TOMORROW

Northerners Are Out to Gain Re-compense; Locals Are in Best of Shape for Meet. Have Been Going Through Gruelling Practice

Roseburg High will tangle here tomorrow night, and according to reports, are steamed up to give the locals a working-over. The season up to date has not been a victorious one for the northerners, and all indications have it that they will attempt to plunge through the gap that is now open in the Ashland basketball lineup. If the results of the last Medford-Ashland contests are being used as a foundation for these reports, however, there will be no recompense gained by them.

With a stringent schedule of training and practice kept all week, and with every member of the team back on the floor and in the best of condition the local quintet expects to really "break away," and regain some of their old-time form which they displayed earlier in the season. This form at the time was subject to unlimited praise by fans, and promised to bring a state championship to them. Just what happened to it, no one really knows.

Anyway, they had an average of ten clear victories, and up to that time had not had a game that bordered on defeat. Perhaps the climax of their winning streak was when they made an up-state trip and cleaned up the northern part of the state without a loss. On this they played on floors that varied much in size, and caused them a great deal of trouble. Once they overcame a lead of eight points in a game that looked like certain defeat. Yet they won from Salem before a huge crowd of nearly 2000. They won from Eugene. They won from Roseburg. Following this they won from Grants Pass, bringing the grand total to ten straight. Then they turned right around and lost a double bill to Salem. What in the world got into them is not known. Since that time they have not won a game, except an easy one from Grants Pass.

What Coach Walter Hughes has had to do, and will have yet to do, is something tremendous. To pull a team out of the hole into which it has fallen is a task not easily conceivable, and the town as a whole is looking forward with eagerness to its outcome. It is not fact, however that the team has fallen. It may have simply had a slump. Yet it looks bad. They may have overcome it by the time the game starts tomorrow. If not, they have a week before the real test comes a week later, when they meet Medford for the final games of the season. At any rate it is going to be a good game, and a keen interest is being shown in it.

Rumors that Ashland is "done for" so far as winning the state championship is concerned, are entirely fictitious. By taking the next two games, and winning another to be played on a neutral floor they are eligible to enter the state finals. The winners of this may consider themselves real state champs for the first time in years — if ever, for schools of Portland are to compete this year. This is made possible by a change in their coaching system, which was formerly made up of paid coaches. They now have coaches who teach part time, making their teams eligible for the all-state meet.

## MURDER QUIZZING CONTINUES TODAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Police were continuing their investigation into the alleged plot to kill Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Hotelling, prominent members of San Francisco society and part heirs to the long-contested Hotelling millions. According to Ralph King, former policeman, who is said to have revealed the plot, two gunmen were hired by him at the instigation of another and not yet identified third party to do the planned killing. "Russian Lou" Madison is under arrest, declared by police to have confessed that he and a friend had taken \$3300 from King for the proposed murders, but declared that they had never intended keeping their agreement.

## STRIKING SENATORS RETURN TO CAPITOL

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 27.—Having obtained a promise from the republican leaders that a bill restricting the state would not be "forced upon them," the recalcitrant Indiana senate democratic minority returned to the Hoosier capital today, ready to answer to the roll call.

## AIR FLEET URGED BY FORMER NAVY HEAD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Aircraft will be the key to power in the next war, Rear Admiral Sims, now retired, told the House Aircraft Committee today. Sims urged development of a great air fleet by the United States. He assailed the "conservatives in the navy who are holding out for 'precious' battleships."

## LEGISLATURE CLOSES AT THE STATE CAPITOL

Session Closes in Salem Today After Forty-Six Days of Legislation

## SPECTATORS ENMASSE

Last Flare Comes When House and Senate Are Jammed Over Vetoed Bill

SALEM, Feb. 27.—With both houses crowded with spectators, the Oregon Legislature adjourned sine die last night at 10:50 after a session lasting 46 days. The end came peacefully and the legislators today were enroute home. The last flare of fighting spirit came yesterday when the house of the senate was jammed over the vetoed bill of the 1923 session providing for an additional circuit judge in Multnomah county.

Governor Pierce today appointed Aubrey Dickson, a democrat of Portland to be the new circuit judge created by the legislature. Rumor persisted after closing of the session that the tobacco people intend to invoke referendum on the cigarette tax law.

## POULTRY MEETING TO BE HELD HERE SOON

A meeting of considerable interest to all poultry raisers, will be held at the city hall, Wednesday, March 4, at 10 a. m. Mr. H. E. Crosby of O. A. C. will be present. The brooding of chicks and other reasonable topics will be discussed at this time. All who can possibly be there, are asked to do so. A large attendance is desired.

## PRESIDENT ELBERT'S CONDITION SERIOUS

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—President Elberts condition was announced as being "precarious," following a second serious operation, which was made necessary by peritonitis which set in after an appendicitis operation.

## DILL BILL IS PASSED BY THE SENATE TODAY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Dill bill, permitting the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana to enter into an agreement relating to the disposition of water of the Columbia river and tributaries was passed today by the senate.

## PLOT REVEALED TO KILL PRES. WILSON

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—How a highly organized group of international anarchists planned and nearly assassinated President Wilson, J. P. Morgan, Charles Schwab and General Coleman DuPont, during the year of 1915, and how their efforts were frustrated by government worker Garland, was revealed today by Ralph Easley, president of the national civic federation. Easley made the statement following the announcement of the publication of the autobiography of Samuel Gompers, in which the late labor leader told of activities of anarchists and of German propaganda just before and during the world war.

## Hearing Given Gallagher Case Before Thomas

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 27.—On the serious charge of assaulting his wife, Fannie Gallagher, with attempt to kill, George Gallagher was being given a hearing before United States Commissioner Bert C. Thomas this afternoon. The hearing opened at 2 p. m. The commission of the alleged crime was on December 12, according to the complaint.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2 p. m. the Lang family of the reservation will be given a preliminary hearing before Mr. Thomas on several charges which arose out of an alleged attempt to destroy a public document in the offices of the superintendent of the reservation on February 10.

Mrs. Lulu Lang is charged with attempting to destroy certain public records in a public place and of assaulting another in an attempt to commit a felony. Mrs. Lang, her husband, Thomas Lang, Laupella Lang, and Millard Lang are charged in another complaint with using obscene language in a public place.

## Student to Start on Two Years' Program as Diet-Experiment

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Harold G. O. Holk, a 38-year-old medical student of the University of Chicago, starts today on a fasting diet that will last for two years.

The object is to determine just how much food is needed for keen thinking. He will eat only when hungry, and will eat very little, measuring and weighing every bit taken.

During the period, mental tests will be given him, including mathematics, puzzles and typewriting exercises. For the last two years he has carried a scales with him to determine the amount of food he consumes normally. The mental tests showed his normal efficiency.

At the end of two years the results will be tabulated and psychology experts expect to work out from them an ideal human ration.

## HOUSE SPEAKER GIVEN WATCH BY ITS MEMBERS

Burdick Presented Expensive Time-Keeper by Members of the Legislature

SALEM, Feb. 27.—Breaking into the routine house business of the afternoon, Representative Coffey, yesterday took the chair while Representative Carkin, in behalf of the members of the house, presented Representative Denton G. Burdick, speaker of the house, with a \$400 gold watch, with chimes that proclaim the hour and quarter-hours.

"The membership of this house is on a higher plane than those of the past and members have worked hard both in the committees and on the floor," Representative Carkin said. "There has been a general expression of individual feelings and little machine politics. Mr. Speaker, you organized the house and appointed the committees on the first day in the history of the legislature. You have been fair in all your dealings and rulings.

"Members of the house have become suspicious of you and have decided to put a 'watch' upon you. It is pure gold, keeps active time and is not two-faced, which is emblematic of you."

The house broke into handclapping as Representative Carkin called Page Rudie to take the watch to the rostrum.

"I doubt if I have the vitality to spy the things I would like to say," Speaker Burdick said. "We are approaching the end of the session and it but a matter of hours. This is my seventh consecutive session and the first that has not ended in turmoil, excitement and confusion. I cannot excite."

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## OLDFIELD GIVES ADDRESS AT KIWANIS TODAY

"Ideals of Americanism, as illustrated in the life of George Washington," was the topic of a speech delivered before the Kiwanis luncheon at noon today by Rev. Judson Oldfield. An ideal, according to him, is a mere castle in the air, until it has taken tangible shape. Today, he added, thousands of these castles have taken shape in the form of modern institutions and monuments.

Washington was cast in an era of greatness. There is no higher thing we can do, than to live up to the laws and morals that were set up by him, he declared.

The Kiwanis quartet, composed of Carl Loveland, Henry Enders, V. D. Miller and Harry Tomlinson, sang several songs, followed in chorus by the entire meeting. B. C. Forsythe received the prize.

The program for next week was referred to the attendance committee and several resolutions were passed on.

## NO DEFINITE REPORT ON THE NORMAL HEARD

Telegram Received from Local Delegation at State Capitol Today

## CONFERENCE GRANTED

Request Made That No More Telegrams be Sent from Here by Those Interested

A telegram received by Homer Billings this morning just before noon from one of the members of the delegation which is at Salem conferring with Governor Pierce relative to his attitude on the Ashland Normal school bill. This telegram stated that the committee had conferred with the governor and that they hoped to succeed in persuading the chief executive to sign or approve the normal bill which was passed by the legislature a few days ago. The telegram also requested that no more telegrams be sent to the governor from interested parties in this section relative to the bill.

All Ashland is eagerly awaiting the outcome of the bill. Some say that the governor must veto the bill before tonight, Friday, while others declare that the constitutional limit is Saturday evening. If the governor does not veto it before the period of limitation, the bill will automatically become a law.

## JOHN COLLMAN TAKES LEAVE FROM HOSPITAL

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 27.—Sufficiently recovered from wounds incurred when attacked by a man, declared by authorities to be Gus Yorden, a ranch employe, John Collman, well known Klamath rancher, has returned to his home, where he is now convalescing. While Collman is not entirely out of danger, it was said his recovery was nearly assured. Only an infection setting in would bring a fatal result.

Yorden is being held in jail under an open charge. When it appears that there is no doubt as to Collman's recovery, a charge of assault with intent to kill or assault with a dangerous weapon, will be prosecuted by the district attorney's office, it was stated yesterday by the district attorney's office.

## California Roads Closed to Traffic on New Schedule

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 27.—Announcement is made here by the California Highway Commission that, beginning March 1st at 6:30 p. m., the Pacific Highway, in the Sacramento River canyon, north of Redding, Shasta county, will be closed to traffic for sixteen hours daily until May 15th.

The closing regulation will be in force between Half Way Creek, 23 miles north of Redding, and Delta, 27 miles north of Redding. The gates at either end of this section will be locked at 6:30 o'clock p. m. each evening and will not be opened to traffic until 10:30 a. m. the following morning.

The closing is necessary because of reconstruction work which will necessitate heavy blasting during the night time and the closing of the road. The work will be rushed during the next three months with the exception that the highway may be opened for a longer period during the season of heavy summer travel.

In making the announcement, the commission pointed out that no detours will be available around the work, and that there are only limited accommodations north of Redding and south of Dunsmuir.

A similar closing was enforced last Spring without serious inconvenience to the public. Every effort will be made to handle traffic over the construction work during the hours the road is open and representatives of the highway department will be on duty to render aid to motorists, if needed.

The work now under way consists of widening and straightening eleven miles between Half Way Creek and Dog Creek, a part of the 1925 reconstruction program of the commission to be financed with gasoline tax funds.

Astoria — Ten miles highway between Astoria and Svenson is to be widened and resurfaced.