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NEGRO QUICKLY DIM LIGHTS ON GIVEN HANGING WET PAVEMENT IN BLUE GRASS OFFICERS SAY

With 1,000 Troops Guarding Court House, Brute Gets the Limit

15 MINUTES' TRIAL

Murdered Father, Two Sons and Attacked Wife, to Which he Made a Confession

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—Edward Harris, under sentence to hang, was returned to the state penitentiary here today, despite threats of mob violence.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—Under sentence of death, Edward Harris, a negro, was rushed back to the Frankfort prison today with 1,000 soldiers to guard him.

He was tried in the court house, which was surrounded by guards. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to hang within 15 minutes after the balliff called the court to order.

Harris confessed to the murder of Clarence Bryant and two children and an attack on Bryant's wife. He was tried on a rape charge. In Kentucky a conviction on this charge can carry but one penalty, sentence to hang. He will hang March 5.

The crime was one of the most revolting in the history of the Blue Grass country. After killing the father and two children, the negro attacked the wife, seriously wounding her.

He then made his way to the home of George Blanchard, where he told that he had killed three and attacked a woman. He also told Blanchard he was going to get away. It was through the information given by Blanchard, to whom Harris told of his crime, that he was captured. A reward has been subscribed for Blanchard.

The troops were ordered here to prevent the recurrence of a tragedy such as happened during the trial of William Lockett, negro.

Decision to order troops here for the negro's trial was reached last week by Governor W. J. Fields after a conference with local and county officials, which was kept secret until late Saturday.

THE WEATHER

Oregon — Rain in the west portion; rain and snows in the east; fresh strong southeast winds along the coast.

OREGON MUST MAKE STRONGER EFFORT TO PROCURE FARMERS

Oregon, without a single county represented in the list of 50 best producing counties in the United States and compared with two counties in California marketing as much farm produce as the entire state of Oregon, must face the situation and work out a comprehensive plan which will put this state in the lead and bring just recognition to the splendid opportunities within our boundaries, stated Arthur Foster, of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce who was one of the speakers at the chamber forum luncheon today at noon.

Mr. Foster, who was stationed at the local chamber of commerce rooms last summer in connection with the land settlement work, stated that the inventory of the state chamber showed that 136 farmers had been located in Josephine county during 1925, whereas only 16 were definitely known by the state organization to have located on Jackson county farms.

Enforcing Law in So. Oregon And Several Cases of This Nature in Court

State traffic officers in southern Oregon, have commenced a campaign enforcing the recent state auto headlight law, requiring that lights be dimmed when traveling on a wet pavement. Three such cases were disposed of in Judge Glenn O. Taylor's court Monday in Medford in addition to an improper license plate and a speeding charge against two other motorists.

Allen Adams of Central Point received a \$10 fine on a dimming charge as did Joseph Grevelle and W. M. Trimble, local motorists.

Merritt Perry was fined \$10 for improper license plates, he having purchased and operated a car with foreign plates, according to State Traffic Officer J. J. McMahon, who filed all the complaints handled here today.

Help Police Keep Gypsies On Their Way

The first band of gypsies of the year came through Ashland yesterday. No doubt they had already had a hint from other bands that they would not receive a very cordial welcome in Ashland's main business district, for, instead of coming to Main street, the gypsies camped near Fourth street and started their women out "to tell fortunes."

One of the Fourth street business men promptly notified the police and the gypsies' little game of extracting money from the gullible was broken up. They were notified to travel on north, which they did.

During the next few months there will probably be quite a few bands of gypsies coming through Ashland. The police want to make it so hot for them that they will not even stop here, and therefore are anxious that the business men notify the police office if any of the gypsy women enter the stores soliciting money. The police have decreed that it is all right for the men in the bands to enter the stores and make whatever purchases the bands may need, but the women must remain in the cars.

Family Sketch of Washington

George Washington may never have told a lie, but at least he certified that a false account was correct. The page shown above is a photostatic copy of a page in his personal accounts, now in the Omaha (Neb.) public library. The addition at the bottom is incorrect, ten dollars more than it should be. Note also the receipts for the sale of whiskey, marked with an arrow. The error went unnoticed for years until a public accountant happened to scan the page. At the right is his kinsman, who vows that the first president was a "he-man," and below are some of the things he says Washington did.

Rich Beggar, 70, Hoarding Money For "Old Age"

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 2.—An eccentric old beggar, worth \$7,000 in cash which he has hoarded from his alms, hired a lawyer to protect his "constitutional rights" to beg, upon being arrested the second time here.

The aged mendicant testily defended his right to work the streets "if people wanted to give him money," and engaged the attorney to help him "cave his little pile from the city sharks who are trying to lay hands on it."

He says he is saving the \$7,000 for his old age. He is 70.

WASHINGTON WAS 'HE MAN', HIS KIN STATES

Drank, Danced and Swore on Occasions, Relative Says; Great-Great-Grandnephew Paints an Unusual Picture of Our First President, Like Other Gentlemen.

BY VID LARSEN
 NEA Service Writer

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—The father of his country never suspected that his child would lose any sleep over its parent's private life.

So George Washington was a drinker, a smoker, a dancer—a most artistic cusser.

This is the picture given of him by his great-great-grandnephew, John Thornton Washington of San Francisco, who draws on family records for the portrait.

The present-day Washington waxes wroth when people try to paint the first president as a "sissy" instead of a "he-man."

The Empty Pew
 "Of course Washington drank, smoked, danced and played cards," he says. "Why not? All gentlemen of his time did."

"And although he had a pew in Christ's church at Alexandria, it was unoccupied more often than it was occupied."

"He was a great man. Unquestionably he saved the republic. "But Washington was no prude; he wasn't a stupid, stilted person. He was a human being. And he was a handsome man and undoubtedly many women cast sheep's eye at him during his life time, although it's a lie that he wasn't a good husband."

"Why, I've drunk Madeira wine that came from the cellars of Mt. Vernon. That was in 1861, when I was visiting my grandfather's plantation in Virginia."

"One of the troubles with us Americans is that we insist on making sissies out of our national heroes. We want our national heroes to reflect in every detail our own personal views on life, religion, booze, philosophy, art, tobacco, Americanism, dancing and what not."

"And so, as the years roll on, we insist that Lincoln was this and Washington was that and

KLAMATH MIGHT ESTABLISH C. C. BRANCH OFFICE

Consider a Publicity Bureau at Junction Green Spring and Pacific Highway

The Klamath chamber of commerce is considering the establishment of a branch publicity bureau at the junction of the Green Spring and Pacific highways, according to the following article from The Klamath Falls Herald:

Establishment of a branch office at the junction of the Pacific and Ashland-Klamath Falls highways was recommended to the chamber of commerce directors last night by the chamber community advertising committee. Early action is expected on the proposal.

The committee, composed of W. W. McNealy, B. H. Stevenson, H. S. Mathews and L. P. Sabin, yesterday procured an option on a 10 year lease of the service station at the junction of the two highways, and it proposes to take over sublease the service station and augment it with a publicity and information bureau for the convenience of auto tourists.

Such a move, it is believed, would add materially in attracting tourists to the Klamath country.

The service station property comprises six acres on either side of the highway. There is sufficient space for the service station, publicity bureau, lunch counter, rest rooms and even a small auto park. If the local chamber itself takes over the venture, it could be expected to pay some dividends, although there are some who believe it should be subleased to individuals with the proper provision for the publicity and information bureau.

The property on which the option is taken is owned by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Helm. The monthly rental under lease would be \$150. Before any definite action is taken a cross-section of public opinion both within and without the chamber membership will be sought as to the practicability of the several plans offered.

Battery B and Elks to Play Game Tonight

The Elks and Battery B basketball teams will mix at the armory tonight. Both teams are out to annex the scalp of the other and an interesting game is assured.

The players will be: Elks—Guthrie, Ramsey, Hodson, McMillen, Chapman. Battery B—Bryant, Butterfield, Young, Clarey, Bentley.

PRaises Ashland Team For Merrill Game Work

The Klamath Falls Herald stated: Displaying a brand of basketball seldom seen in Klamath county, the Ashland high school team swept over the hard fighting Merrill high team last night, winning 42 to 12. Ashland went into the lead at the start of the game, showing a well trained offensive on every play.

Merrill fought and played hard at every turn and at times actually held the larger and more experienced players to a standstill.

The outstanding player of the game was Captain Marske, the small, elusive forward of the invading team. Marske, with Charles Tilton, the large, rangy forward, made up the bulk of the points for the Ashland team and will give Klamath county high guards something to keep their eyes on, tonight.

President May Attend a Ball in Old Clothes

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—President and Mrs. Coolidge were invited to attend the annual ball of the Washington Hotel and Restaurant Employes' Alliance, on one condition—that the President should not dress up.

A ban has been placed on dress clothes and tuxedos, as the waiters say they wear them at work, and have a better time at dances wearing something else.

REVIVAL COMES TO G. BRITAIN

King Says Locarno Pact Had Good Effect on Business in His Kingdom

LONDON, Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—A substantial step in the direction of disarmament should now be possible as the result of the security system devised by the Locarno pacts, King George said today in "the king's speech from the throne" at the opening of parliament.

Touching a broad scale of subjects, the king declared among other things that Britain, since autumn has shown signs of revival of business and added, "the growth of confidence upon which this revival depends is being aroused by a fear of industrial strife."

BULLETIN FAVORS ASHLAND HIGHWAY TO KLAMATH FALLS

The bulletin issued by the Southern California Motor association, which is received regularly at the new A.A.A. office in the Lithia Springs hotel, has the following, favoring the Green Springs highway:

"Yreka to Klamath Falls, 72 miles. While it is possible to get through over the route, the best road is that from Ashland, Oregon, east over the Green Springs mountain. This is an excellent graded, gravelled highway, the entire distance."

'OLD FIDDLERS' SWARM TO HELP ROUT THE CHARLESTOWN

LANSING, Mich., Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—Henry Ford started something when he discovered and popularized "Jep" Bisbee and "Milly" Dunham, fiddlers whose melodies measured the paces of waltzes and square dances a generation ago.

Throughout the musically inclined motor magnate's home state of Michigan during the present winter, white-haired veterans in every city and hamlet from Detroit to Eagle River have restrung dust covered "fiddlers" and horse-hair bows. Each bids for fame as "champion fiddler" of his community.

The resulting music is not in vain. An old-timer sings out: "Address your partners all. First couple leads to the right," and the dances of grandparents are forcing the youngsters and the Charlestown into the background.

Here are a few headlines in a recent issue of the Lansing State Journal, chronicling major "fiddling parties" in the city and vicinity which give an idea of the extent of the revival: "County Farm Jig Champion Wins on Home-Made Fiddle;" "Old Fiddlers, Charleston Dancers Compete for Honors;" "Famous Fiddlers to 'Do Stuff' and every paper in this state tells a similar story.

LARGE FARMING AREA POSSIBLE NEAR COLUMBIA

1,833,000 Acres Can Be Put Under Cultivation at Cost of \$157 an Acre

SEEK WATER COMPACT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—A new diversified farming area of 1,833,000 acres can be opened in the Columbia river basin, in Washington, at the cost of \$157 an acre, a delegation of Washington citizens told the senate irrigation committee today.

The delegation urged the adoption of the Jones bill, authorizing Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington to negotiate a compact with the secretary of the interior for the division of the waters of the Columbia river.

MITCHELL WILL MAKE PACIFIC COAST VISITS

Starts Tour February 10 in New York. Then Heads West to Defend Policies

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—(U.P.)—Colonel William Mitchell, now a private citizen, will launch a nation-wide stamping tour in behalf of his national defense policies in New York, February 10, according to an announcement.

After several other engagements in the east, he will speak in Buffalo, February 21, and move from there to the west, reaching Oklahoma in March, Arizona in April and the Pacific coast a short time thereafter.

FUNERAL WEDNESDAY FOR MRS. SCHOENFELD HERE

The funeral services of the late Mrs. H. F. Schoenfeld, who died in Klamath Falls, Sunday, will be held at the residence of Mrs. R. M. Shepherd, 658 Boulevard, Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Interment in the Mountain View cemetery.

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