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DIES BY OWN HAND

E. H. Woodfin Sends Bullet Through Brain Monday Morning. Deed Committed at Wife's Home

Believing, perhaps, that life was not worth the game, E. H. Woodfin sent a bullet crashing through his brain, Monday morning about 7:30 o'clock.

The deed was committed in the woodshed at the Walker place on Bridge street, where his wife, Rosa Woodfin is living. She says that she heard no shot and knew nothing of the deed until going after some firewood. The alarm was given and he was found in a pool of blood, a bullet hole through his head and a 32-calibre revolver by his side. He was yet alive and was taken into the house placed on a bed and made as comfortable as possible. The County Court refused to take charge and it was probably 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon before definite arrangements were made to give him aid. Dr. Prime took charge taking him to the Dallas hospital where he removed the bloodclots and dressed the wound. He rallied, but the clots had remained too long, and he died at 10:30 o'clock, about three hours after the operation. The Doctor is of the opinion that could have he received proper treatment immediately the chance of his recovery would have been good. The bullet entered the right side of the head on a line with the top of the ear and about one and one-half inches in front, ranging back and upward, making its exit about two inches above and back of the left ear.

Mr. Woodfin came here Aug. 13 from Fossil, Oregon and caused the arrest of J. A. Mote on charge of living in adultery with his wife, claiming that Mote had followed her to Black Rock and then to this place where the arrest was made. In default of bail Mote is in the County jail awaiting the action of the grand jury.

Since coming here Mr. Woodfin has been boarding at the Falls City Hotel and working at the mill. On the morning of the tragedy he ate a hearty breakfast, leaving about 6:30. He had been in the habit of going to this house and getting wood and looking after the needs of his children before going to work.

Funeral services were held in Chapman's chapel at Dallas Wednesday afternoon and interment in the city cemetery.

The shipyard strikes have a German odor to Washington officials.

Russia has reorganized again and will doubtless be in need of another generous loan.

The attack on an American vessel off Nantucket reported a few days ago proved to be a fake. The wireless got their wires X.

The eulogy paid to the memory of the late Senator Lane at the Sunday special session of the senate by those who had vilified him and caused his death, must have been a gruesome affair.

There is much disappointment over the results of "woman's registration day." They didn't respond as did the men on June 5th. But there was no bayonet prodding them. They will do their share, however, without any blowing of horns. Will the men unfit for service do as much?

Jurors at Astoria, Ore., have asked for more pay. They say that everything has advanced in price and that \$3 per day is not sufficient and ask for \$4. The Judge told them that the legislature fixed the compensation of jurors and a refusal to serve would be contempt of court and a term in the county jail.

Remember that in war vital results may depend upon small things. The old nursery story tells us that "for the want of a nail the shoe was lost, for the want of a shoe the horse was lost, for the want of a horse the rider was lost, for the want of the rider the battle was lost, and all for the want of a horse-shoe nail." Don't withhold any nails, either literally or figuratively.

Some of the great dailies can not understand why the working man is never satisfied. They tell you that if he gets \$5 per day he will want \$6; grant an 8-hour day and he will want a 6-hour day. Possibly this may all be true; but how about the other fellow? Are the great corporations satisfied with the profits of a year ago, and do they resort to more honorable methods to increase their profits than the worker to increase his pay and shorten his hours of labor? When you give the 'devil his due' you find but little difference—there are rich and influential and there

are poor and degenerate who have an "I. W. W." strain of blood in their veins. About the only difference is that the rich I. W. W. is better able to get by.

ENGLAND EXECUTES SPY

According to a postal received by Rev. T. H. Simpson of Portland, from Ripon, Wis., Lieutenant Swartzkepeny, who traveled throughout Oregon last winter lecturing in the various churches claiming to have escaped from Siberian prison, was shot in England as a German spy. He said he had been an attache of the Czar and was sent to Siberia for refusing to fire on a crowd of workmen.

SOME DIFFERENCE

The late J. P. Morgan once testified before a Committee of Congress that he had frequently loaned a million dollars to a man upon no further security than his character. That seems to be the manner in which McAdoo has loaned hundreds of millions to the provisional government of Russia, taking the note of hand of the Russian representatives in this country, to whom no authority of the Duma or other repository of real power has been voted. The difference between Mr. McAdoo and Mr. Morgan is that the latter loaned his own money, while the former loans the money of the American people. In addition, Mr. Morgan's judgement of men was exceptionally keen, whereas Mr. McAdoo is not so noted in that regard. It is possible that some men in New York who have known both Morgan and McAdoo, might find other points of differentiation between the two.

COUNTY FAIR AWARD CONTESTED

Mrs. F. M. Wolf of Falls City has contested the County Fair award for produce grown from seed purchased from the Portland Seed Company.

The prize of \$10 was given to W. F. Lee of Falls City.

Mrs. Wolf in contesting, claims that the produce exhibited by Mr. Lee was not grown from seed obtained from the Portland Seed Co.

The Seed Company has been notified to this effect and requested to aid in adjusting the matter.

OUR FIRST DREADNAUGHTS.

And the Paper Battleship the U. S. S. Scared-o'-Nothing.

One of the most interesting episodes in Vice Admiral Sims' career was his championship in the years 1903-4 of the all big gun ships, the dreadnaughts. This was two years before the British brought out their first dreadnaught, revolutionizing the naval construction policy of the world. The progenitor of the dreadnaught idea in the American navy was Lieutenant Homer C. Poundstone. Poundstone for months had treasured the idea of all big gun ships, hoping to win the support of the navy for such a construction change. Meeting discouragement, he sought out Commander Sims. He quickly won Sims' support.

Poundstone was a good draftsman, and he and Sims in 1903 and 1904 made sketches and drew plans for a big gun ship. The navy heads vetoed the plan of the two officers as often as they brought it up for consideration, but Sims never abandoned the idea. The ship became a great joke around the navy department. It is a striking coincidence that the name given by these two officers to their paper battleship and the name by which the ship was known in the navy offices was the U. S. S. Scared-o'-Nothing. Two years afterward the British admiralty called its first all big gun ship Dreadnaught.

Commander Sims convinced President Roosevelt that the dreadnaught was bound to come. As a result the plans for the battleships Michigan and South Carolina, which had already been authorized to be built in the old way, were changed so that they slid from the ways the first American dreadnaughts.—World's Work.

DRAFTING THE WORKERS

The great strikes at the various ship yards has caused the government to consider the necessity of taking charge and operating under the supervision of the government. It is also urged by certain interests, that workers be drafted as soldiers are. This, of course, would mean enforced service at terms which the officials might determine. The strike question is a serious one, and especially at this time, but will the "iron hand of the federal government" by such drastic measures solve, or only aggravate it? Much work must be performed by skilled, and satisfied workers, and it is doubtful if such methods will accomplish the desired end.

"The Lord's Day"

Dear Editor: Noticing in your issue of the first inst. a question, "Which day is the Lord's Day," requesting scriptural proof, I pleasure in referring you to several scriptures, each one of which answers the question.

First, Ex. 20: 8-11. This states that the "Seventh Day" is the Sabbath, or Rest Day spoken of in Gen. 2: 1-3.

Second, Mark 2: 28. Col. 1: 16. St. John 1: 3.

Thurd; Isa. 58: 13, and Rev. 1: 10.

Another offers the following:

"The 1st day of the week is without doubt the great memorial day of the Gospel. It seems that people in all ages since the resurrection, have had to have a controversy about which was the Lord's Day." The following scriptural quotations are offered:

Rom. 12: 13. 14: 1-6. 8: 3. 13: 8. Isa. 1: 13-17. Gal. 5: 14-22-23. John 1: 17. Matt. 28: 1-6. 2 Tim. 1: 10.

Another offers the following:

Isa. 53: 13. Mark 2: 27-23. Ex. 20: 8-11. Neh. 9: 13-14. Ezek. 46: 1. Ex. 20: 9-10.

[Editors Note.] In asking the question, "Which day of the week is the Lord's Day," we had reference to the day the Lord commanded us to keep as the Sabbath, with Scriptural reference. We shall not undertake to publish any argument, as at best, it would be only man's opinion, and in 'our opinion' people rely too much on the opinions of others in shaping their religious beliefs instead of searching the Scriptures. If, in publishing the foregoing references it shall have caused some one to brush the dust from their bible, or perchance borrow one to read the quotations, we will feel that we have not labored in vain.

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