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KILLS WIFE, THEN TAKES OWN LIFE

Woodburn Man Enacts Horrible Tragedy at Salem

BOTH ARE WELL KNOWN HERE

Horrible Deed Premeditated Because of Wife's Refusal to Reconciliate; Is Witnessed by Girl's Chum; Shooting Takes Place in Law Office; Wife Ignored Plea.

The bodies of Fred Ingle and wife, formerly Miss Dora Bradley, of Woodburn, and both well known in Dallas lie side by side in an undertaking establishment in Salem as the result of a double tragedy Wednesday afternoon when Ingle after shooting and killing his wife placed the still smoking revolver to his head and sent the fourth bullet crashing through his brain. The horrible deed was enacted, it is believed, because of the refusal of Mrs. Ingle to dismiss her suit for divorce brought several months ago.

Ingle died about 5:30 yesterday afternoon. He lived scarcely an hour after the shooting. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Holm, in Wenatchee, Wash., and three or four brothers.

All the more horrible was the work of the deed when it became known that he had vowed he would "get" his wife and "kill her on sight." Two weeks ago, just before Mrs. Ingle was in Woodburn, Alpheus Ingle, Woodburn city marshal, according to a statement of William Wengert of that city, received word that Fred Ingle was going to "kill her on sight."

Reported Financial Trouble. It was reported that Ingle had been involved in some financial difficulty with the express company at Woodburn and that he was held responsible for the disappearance of \$500 from the company funds. It was for this disappearance, it is said, that he was let out of his position there. Brooding over this affair and his domestic troubles are said to have wrought upon his mind until he became distracted.

Five people were in the office at the time of the tragedy. They were Fred W. Ingle, Dora D. Ingle, Miss Renska Swart, Attorney McFadden, of Corvallis, and J. D. Turner. Just previous to the shooting Mr. Turner, attorney for Mrs. Ingle, and Judge W. S. McFadden, attorney for Ingle, were in the library trying to effect a reconciliation between the husband and wife. The two attorneys stepped into Turner's private office and left the three alone in the library for a conference in regard to the difficulty.

Scarcely two minutes elapsed when two shots, sounding like reports of a toy cap pistol, were heard, followed by a woman's screams. The two men rushed into the library and found Fred and Dora Ingle in the far end of the room, which was partially partitioned off, lying on the floor and dying in each other's blood.

Mrs. Ingle had two bullet wounds on the left side of her head. One bullet pierced the lobe of the ear and entered the head immediately below the oral cavity. The second bullet tore through the brain at a point about an inch above the ear. It went clear through the head and lodged beneath the skin on the right side. Ingle shot himself in the forehead.

Mrs. Ingle had many friends in Dallas. She was a sister of Mrs. Claude Dunn, of this city and visited here but recently.

Woodburn, Aug. 1.—Dora Ingle was 28 years of age and was well known in Woodburn, where she attended school and later was married to Fred W. Ingle. The couple left here about five years ago after Ingle had some financial trouble with the express company. They went to Portland, thence to Toledo and later to Corvallis where they remained until Mrs. Ingle left her husband and returned to the home of her mother.

Former neighbors of the Ingles say the husband was cruel and jealous. Since the separation, it is said, Ingle had threatened to shoot his wife on sight.

The meeting at Salem Wednesday was at the instigation of the attorneys for both sides who were handling the divorce proceedings.

BARTON RIGGS BUYS LAUNDRY

Thompson & Heistand Sell Local Plant; Purchaser in Possession. The Dallas Steam Laundry has been sold by Thompson & Heistand to Barton Riggs, a former resident of this city, the new owner taking possession today. A. E. Thompson will remain with the new proprietor for a few months and have charge of the plant, but Mr. Heistand plans to move to Corvallis to give his children the benefit of the Oregon Agricultural college.

PRUNE, GRAIN AND HOP MEN SAFE

Encouraging Condition Prevails in Willamette Valley

ALL DEMAND GOOD PRICES

Local Buyers Hold Hop Price Firm at 18 to 18½ Cents; Prune Crop Good With Prices Higher Than Last Year; Grain Outlook Encouraging Despite Slow Buying.

With prospects of a bounteous crop of hops, prunes and grains and with good prices prevailing, farmers of Polk county certainly have no cause for complaint.

The prune market according to local growers is unusually encouraging. Prices now are quoted at 6½ cents, size 30 and 35. This is a half cent higher than prices prevailing last year.

"The crop in the valley will be good," I don't say "exceptionally good," said R. L. Chapman yesterday. "Conditions are, as a whole, better than expected during the early months, and growers are promised better prices than last year."

Hop Market Firm. Hop buyers are holding firm at 18 and 18½ cents, although a number of buyers have been reported in the valley at 20 cents. These reports, however, cannot be confirmed. Yesterday a Portland firm is said to have purchased 20,000 pounds at 20 cents, while at Independence 300 bales were taken at the same price, and 100 bales were sold by a Portland firm at 20½ cents for Eastern account.

"We are unable to keep track of the reports from Europe regarding the crop outlook," said a Dallas buyer yesterday. "These reports have been conflicting during the past week. European cables today are by no means encouraging."

Grain harvesting in the valley is now well under way, and with the present fair weather, the wheat crop will soon be cut, threshed and practically out of danger. From every section of the county comes news to the Observer, that the fall crop will be far above the average, and farmers are working overtime to get their crops in shape in case of sudden rain.

Good Prices Predicted. Owing to the present hot wave throughout the Eastern states, Polk county farmers are looking forward to good wheat prices. The general quotation on club wheat was 78 cents, and a little was reported bought at that figure. Some of the mills paid 79 cents for club for early shipment. For red Russian 77 cents was bid. Bluestem was nominal at about 81 cents. The light buying that was done was at scattered points.

The oats and barley markets were very quiet. No trading in new oats has come to light recently. Buyers are not disposed to pay a reasonable price on speculation and trading is practically at a standstill. New oats are quoted at \$25 to \$25.50. New barley is worth \$23.50 to \$24.

STEAL MAIL FROM MONMOUTH OFFICE

ROBBERS TAKE THREE MAIL SACKS FROM POSTOFFICE.

Bags Slashed With Knives But Little Plunder Taken; Government Officers Are Busy.

Monmouth, Aug. 1.—(Special)—Government secret agents are still working and up to the present without success, on the case which developed here last week when three United States mail sacks were taken from the hallway of the postoffice to the square opposite, slashed open with keen knives and rifled.

Owing to the fact that no registered mail was in the sacks, it is doubtful if the robbers secured anything of value. The sacks, according to the officers were in the hallway of the postoffice and were easily secured without attracting attention.

Building Being Moved. The frame building now occupied by the Belvidere saloon is being moved to the vacant lot on Mill street, and excavation will begin in a few days for the new bank building to be erected on Mill and Main streets.

Miss Katherine Force, Sister of Mrs. John Jacob Astor, to Wed



ONE of the interesting weddings which will probably take place in the fall is that of Miss Katherine Force, sister of Mrs. Madeline Force Astor, the young widow of Colonel John Jacob Astor. Her engagement to Henri Harbeck, a New York broker, was announced from Bar Harbor, Me., where Miss Force is staying with her sister on the Astor summer estate, La Solva. If the wedding date is set for early fall it is likely that it will take place at Bar Harbor. Among the invited will be Mrs. John Astor, first wife of John Jacob Astor, and her son, Vincent Astor.

HILLSBORO MOOSE STREET PAVING PLAN BIG PICNIC MAKES PROGRESS

LOCAL LODGE MAY CHARTER SPECIAL TRAIN FOR TRIP.

Large Number to Be Initiated Into Order; Sunday Program to Be Best Ever.

Sunday will be another big day for LaCreole lodge of Moose, Dallas, for a general invitation has been received requesting the presence of every live Moose in Dallas to be in Hillsboro on the night of August 2 when no less than 50 frisky Moose calves will be initiated into the mystery of Moosedom.

Inasmuch as elaborate preparations have been made by the Hillsboro Moose to entertain and because of the big and loyal delegation from that city attending the recent convention in Dallas, the local boys are preparing to invade Hillsboro in fitting shape. Saturday night will be given to the initiation of a large class followed by a banquet.

Ball Game Sunday. Sunday afternoon Dallas will meet Hillsboro in what is expected to be one of the fastest games of the year. The Hillsboro team has secured a number of out-of-city players and are determined on a victory.

Following the game the Moose will hold a picnic to which the general public will be invited. Arrangements are now under way for a special train from Dallas, and a large number of Moose from Falls City, Independence, Monmouth, and other towns in this district will accompany the Dallas delegation.

AIRLIE MAN TAKES BRIDE

The following from yesterday's Oregonian refers to a well-known citizen of the southern portion of the county:

"At a pretty home wedding yesterday morning Miss Jeanette Boyer, daughter of W. H. Boyer, became the bride of Homer V. Link, of Airlee, Or. The service was read by the Rev. A. A. Morrison in the presence of the immediate family. Miss Carrie Lee Chamberlain was bridesmaid and Russell Clark best man. A wedding breakfast was served at the close of the ceremony."

"The bride wore a traveling suit of blue serge and a becoming hat of black and white. After a brief honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Link will make their home at Airlee, where the bridegroom has a ranch."

INDIAN WOMAN TO HAVE PENSION

Mrs. Larima Tom Appeals for Aid From Court

HUSBAND IN PENITENTIARY

Destitute Woman Has Family of Four Children; Struggle Against Odds Too Much She Says; First Indian in State to Apply for Aid Under New Law.

The first Indian woman of Oregon to apply for pension under the new state law providing pension for widows and children, appealed personally yesterday to County Judge John Teal. The woman is Mrs. Larima Tom of the Grande Ronde reservation, and so pathetic was her story that the kind hearted official gave promise that the case would be immediately investigated.

About two years ago, according to her story, her husband was arrested on the charge of murdering an Indian neighbor. As the result of a trial, Tom was sentenced to serve seven years in the state penitentiary. Last year he was paroled. Returning to the reservation for a short time he conformed with the parole regulations but soon began drinking and was returned to prison.

Since the husband returned to Salem, Mrs. Tom has been doing her best to provide for her four small children but owing to her poor physical condition, the struggle has been hard. A small piece of land on the reservation was left Tom following his aged father's death, but the woman is unable to support her family with the scanty products from the small acreage. Then too, there were numerous doctor bills to be settled, but for nearly two years the woman has fought stubbornly for the existence of herself and family.

"I did not want the state to support me," said Mrs. Tom to the judge. "I tried my best to make ends meet, but you see my children were many times hungry and I could not provide clothes for them. Then came this new law, and I was told I was entitled to the pension the same as white women."

Schriver in Serious Condition. H. P. Schriver who was seriously injured Monday afternoon when he together with his daughter and her husband were thrown from a buggy while on a fishing trip up the LaCreole river, is reported to be resting easier today. Wednesday his condition became suddenly worse and it was feared that he would not recover. Mrs. Thompson, his daughter is improving rapidly and her injuries while not serious are painful.

ALL EXTEND GLAD HAND TO DALLAS

McCOY RESIDENTS PLEDGE SUPPORT TO COUNTY FAIR.

Boosters Hold Sixth Rousing Meeting Tuesday; Will Hold Last of Series at Rickreall.

With the Presbyterian church at McCoy filled to its capacity and with several unable to secure seats in the building, the county fair booster meeting held at that place on Tuesday night, was a very successful one and, as in all other localities where meetings have been held, the boosters found interest in the forthcoming exhibition intense. In addition to the regular program of music and reading, speeches were made by Senator Hawley, C. L. Starr, of Salem, and J. W. Finn, of McCoy. A chalk talk by C. W. Bennett, of Dallas, was a new feature of the program which was heartily appreciated. Mr. Bennett is very clever with the crayon and his work was witnessed with much pleasurable attention.

By far the largest turnout from Dallas at any of the meetings, with the possible exception of Falls City, was present, 27 autos from this city being grouped around the church building.

Considerable discussion has ensued regarding the distance from Dallas to McCoy; the speedometer of Riley & Grant's machine showing the distance to be 128 miles, via Rickreall. The seventh of the series of meetings was held last night at the Lincoln school house in Spring Valley. It has been decided to add Rickreall to the list and the meeting will be held there on Tuesday night, August 5.

VOWS PLEDGED IN BOWER OF BEAUTY

Dr. A. B. Starbuck and Miss Ruth Beaver Are Wedded

CEREMONY AT M. E. CHURCH

Many Friends Witness Ceremony; Reception at Starbuck Home is Brilliant Event; Out of Town Guests Numerous; To Mt. Hood On Wedding Trip.

Underneath a marriage bell of fragrant sweet peas, with a bank of ferns, flowers and handsome decorations, and in the presence of a large number of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties the solemn words which united in wedlock Asa Bertrand Starbuck and Miss Ruth Beaver were uttered at the Methodist Episcopal church in this city on Wednesday night, Rev. D. Lester Fields performing the ceremony.

Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party departed in automobiles for the residence of the bridegroom's parents on Mill street where a few intimate friends were summoned to greet the happy couple. In the receiving line at the Starbuck home were Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Starbuck, parents of the groom, Miss Edith Starbuck, a sister, Mrs. Mary Beaver, mother of the bride and Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Starbuck. After the congratulations of the assembled friends had been showered upon the happy couple, delicious refreshments were served.

The rooms of the Starbuck home were bowered of beauty in lavender, sweet peas, innocence and purple elastics. Miss Mella White and Miss Sadie Lynn presided at the punch bowl and assistant hostesses were Misses Nola Coad, Anis Coad, Veva Burns, Alta Savage, Alice Grant.

At the conclusion of the reception Dr. and Mrs. Starbuck left for Salem, from whence they departed yesterday on an auto trip to Cloud Cap Inn on the slopes of Mt. Hood.

Wedding is Formal.

Soon after eight o'clock the beautiful strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played masterfully by Mrs. Olive Smith-Bicknell, filled the auditorium, and simultaneously with its first notes, Rev. D. Lester Fields, the officiating clergyman entered from the vestry on the right and took his position at the altar. A moment later the bridal procession moved

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SILETZ DISTRICT IS SAFE, SAYS REPORT

RUMORS OF FOREST FIRES ARE GROUNDFLESS SAYS FULLER.

Continued Hot Weather However Sure to Endanger Vast Area of Timber in Oregon.

Rumors of fire in the Siletz basin were brought to Dallas yesterday, but according to W. V. Fuller, secretary of the Polk County Fire Patrol, no word has been received from the warden informing him of fires in that district. It was impossible yesterday to ascertain the source of the report and it now seems evident that it is wholly without foundation.

Weather Worries Rangers. Certain it is, however, that the present long siege of hot weather is worrying forest rangers throughout the Northwest. Most of the disastrous fires on the coast occur when a high pressure area in Northern British Columbia and Alberta coincides with a low pressure area in the California region producing a violent southern air current. The present weather conditions point to hot winds.

Up to the present time the millions of feet of timber in the Siletz have been fortunately held from fire this year. In fact the entire Pacific coast has been unusually free from damage. There have been many small ones, however, which shows the season for fires has commenced and all protection agencies are beginning to recruit their forces to be prepared for activity. It is also the general belief that the safety due to the unusually wet spring and early summer, is over. Undergrowth fostered by two wet growing seasons offers the greater hazard when dry and in many regions including the Siletz it has been almost impossible to remove slashings and light fire traps for purposeful burning.

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NEWS OF COUNTY TOLD IN BRIEFS

Items of Interest in Country Districts Interestingly Told

OBSERVER SPECIAL SERVICE

Observer Representatives Keep in Touch With All Matters of Importance in Their Part of the Famous "Blue Ribbon" District of the State of Oregon.

FALLS CITY

Dr. Becker and family of McMinnville anted to this city Saturday and spent the day with old friends here. Dr. Becker was formerly located at this place.

The Methodist Sunday school held a picnic at the city park Thursday which was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Hathaway Buell came home from Mill Creek where he has been engineer in his brother's sawmill. He will be home for the summer.

A. W. Porter went to Salem Friday to get a piece of steel removed from his eye, which had been causing him trouble of late.

Some more machinery has recently been added to the Crandell laundry. A boiler and steam engine were among the new things.

Mrs. O. Aurland is seriously ill at her home in this city.

Thomas and Otto Kneebone were business visitors in Dallas Wednesday.

Clifford Barnhart is home from Caldwell, Idaho, visiting friends and relatives for a few days.

A number of Falls City people attended the Moose lodge meeting at Dallas Thursday night. A special train took the visitors.

The office fixtures of Geo. F. Skiff were sold at a constable's sale Saturday afternoon at the Tollar building. The claims were about met with the products of the sale.

Phil Brown of Salt Creek, spent Sunday with Falls City friends.

A business and social meeting of the Young People's Sunday school classes of the Methodist church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Ella Mehring.

M. Howard Fagan left this week for Goldendale, Washington, where he will be married to a young woman from that place. Rev. Curtis, of Dallas, is leading the singing at the meetings during his absence.

Mrs. E. R. Lewis is very ill at the Dallas hospital where she has been taken for treatment.

Mrs. Jennie M. Cobb left for Tillamook Wednesday to visit at the home of her brother George Broughton.

Work has just commenced on the new logging road of the Falls City Lumber company which will run south of this city to the Teal creek timber.

Miss Edna Ferris of Shaw, has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Nichols.

C. J. Pugh returned Saturday from a business trip to Portland.

Dr. Hammond of Salem, conducted the regular services at the Methodist church last Sunday. Dr. Hammond is a professor at Kimball college.

W. M. Wagner, of Lebanon, was the guest of his uncle, W. P. Fisher over Sunday. He is lately from the East.

Rev. F. M. Fisher of Seattle, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fisher over Sunday. He occupied the pulpit in the Evangelical church Sunday.

T. D. Dwight of Portland, was the guest of D. M. Hampton's family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex, of North Independence, R. F. D., attended church at the Evangelical church Sunday.

Dan Dickinson of Parker, was the guest of J. Graham Sunday.

B. Guillian Gardner, of Portland, is visiting relatives in town this week.

Ed Lanktree of Leanon, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hallock. He was raised in Monmouth.

Mrs. L. C. Frisk left for Newport Thursday for her health. She was accompanied by Miss Lillian Bogart of Salem.

C. E. Herren and wife have left for Newport for an outing and expect to be gone about two weeks.

There is talk of quite a number going over to Newport from here soon.

The binders are running on every side and the golden harvest is being gathered and soon the whistle of the engine and the hum of the grain separator will be heard.

Professor Resaler, of Corvallis, addressed the students of the summer Normal and others Tuesday.

There is an abundance of fruit of all kinds in and around Monmouth.