

MURDER WILL REMAIN MYSTERY UNLESS JAHNS CONFESSES BEFORE HIS EXECUTION

Spokane, April 13.—With the hanging of William Frederick Jahns, alias James Logan, at Walla Walla penitentiary, June 21, will vanish the last chance to solve the mysterious disappearance of D. R. Shively, a merchant from Chicago. Four years ago Shively sold a farm near Addy, Washington, to Logan, receiving the money, and vanished. Logan made his home on the farm and engaged Mrs. Agnes Jensen as housekeeper. Later her charred body was found in the ashes of a big camp fire in a lonely part of Stevens county. Logan was tried and convicted of the crime and sentenced to be hanged.

Two weeks ago, while burning a large pile of refuse at a sawmill near Addy, fully buried in the sawdust heap, in a box, the remains of a man were found. The box tallied with the one shipped from Spokane by Logan at the time Shively disappeared, and the size of the body and other details indicate the body to be that of the missing Chicago

CONVENTION IS PROGRESSING SUCCESSFULLY

Sessions Are Replete With Excellent Address and Enthusiasm Prevails.

The 26th annual convention of the Oregon State Sunday School association is well under way and is proving to be one of the most successful, both in point of attendance, work and enthusiasm aroused, ever held in this city. The convention is replete with excellent addresses and the delegates from all over the state congratulate themselves upon the opportunities given them.

Today's program was characterized by reports and group work. This afternoon the delegates were divided into 12 groups, which cornered themselves in the Presbyterian and Methodist churches and discussed topics of special interest to their own work, until 2:30, when they again assembled into the convention hall at the Presbyterian church and further reports were given, until 3 o'clock, when Mr. Dennis H. Stovall spoke upon "Advertising the Sunday School."

The greater part of the morning was given up to the hearing of reports of officers and committees, more or less of a statistical nature, but showing a remarkable development in the Sunday school work.

In the "Quiet Hour," at 2:20, a remarkable talk was given by Rev. A. A. Winter, of Dallas college, when he urged the necessity of fitting oneself for the work of the Lord.

An unexpected discussion arose during the address of Rev. Albert Ehrigott, of Portland, when he declared that the work of the Sunday School association had not progressed as rapidly as it should have. J. W. Billings, of Grants Pass, arose and declared that he had attended a convention in Eugene 23 years ago, and it appeared to him that, judging from the difference between this convention and that, the progress had been very remarkable.

The address of Mrs. E. C. Knapp, of Spokane, on "The Use of Stories," was exceptionally fine. She dealt with the psychological methods of holding the interest of the child pupil with stories.

Over a hundred will participate in a banquet at the Y. M. C. A. building at 6 o'clock this evening, and it promises to be a successful affair. Professor F. E. Billington, of Eugene, is toastmaster.

Yesterday's Session

Yesterday afternoon and evening services were well attended, the big church being filled with delegates and local citizens who are taking part in the convention. A feature of the address is their practical nature, and all of the speakers have proven unusually interesting. Hugh Cork, an influential Sunday school worker, and W. C. Pearce, of the International committee, spoke yesterday afternoon after registration and appointment of committees. In the evening Hugh Cork was the principal speaker. Under the topic, "What Our Association Stands For," he showed the advancement in Sunday school work, and emphasized its growing importance among the business men. He is a very popular speaker.

The following are the committees named yesterday afternoon: Artistic J. Eddy was appointed temporary secretary; John G. Minton, of Linn county, press secretary; and L. S. Hopfield, railroad secretary.

Nominations—C. J. Hurd, Cash, of Hood River; Geo. F. Bil-

man. It was also remembered that before the body was found, when Logan was passing the same sawdust pile on his way to the penitentiary, he remarked, "I know where Shively is, and I can produce him. He is in Alaska."

The Mystery Unsolved

Bellingham, April 13.—Ever since Jahns was convicted of the murder of his housekeeper, the Whatcom county officials have been trying to secure a confession or intimation from his of the whereabouts of the corpse of the real James Logan, of Maple Falls, whom Jahns is suspected of murdering. Unless a confession is secured, the mystery will probably never be cleared up. Logan has never been traced, and few months after his death Jahns, who lived at Maple Falls, had a deed recorded, signed by Logan, deeding his farm to Logan, who went under the name of Romandorff when he lived at Maple Falls with his wife and son.

PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR RECOVERY OF LITTLE KATHERINE DAVIS

Daughter of Rev. H. W. Davis Swallows Poisonous Tablets and Has Narrow Escape.

Katherine, the four-year-old daughter of Rev. H. W. Davis, is rapidly recovering from a very narrow escape from death last evening as a result of taking strychnine and pello-gone contained in tablets used by her mother as a heart stimulant. The mother sent the daughter upstairs after the box containing the tablets, and after taking one, sent the girl back with them. The girl endeavored to follow the example of the mother and took not only one but a number of the poisonous tablets. Several physicians were hastily summoned and they were obliged to work for a number of hours before it could be ascertained that the child would live. The convulsions that informed the parents of the child's deed, were unusually severe, and set the teeth of the child so that the physicians were unable to use the stomach pump for some time.

Word of the accident was sent to the Sunday school convention in session at the Presbyterian church, and the program was stopped while prayers were offered for the child's recovery.

O. A. C. EXPERIMENT STATION FOR EUGENE

ers' Association Receives Answer from Cordley

The Oregon Agricultural college will establish an experiment station in Eugene, according to word received today by Secretary Holt, of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, from Professor A. B. Cordley, dean of horticulture at Corvallis. This station will be established to experiment not only with fruits that will grow here but with the diseases of fruits and farm products and their remedies. The securing of this station is of great importance to Eugene and Lane county, and is something for which Mr. Holt has worked for some time.

CONDUCTOR SHOT AS HE ENDEAVORS TO SAVE MONEY OF PASSENGERS

Syracuse, Kans., April 13.—An unknown man boarded the Santa Fe passenger train as it left here at 1 o'clock today. Heavily armed, he pointed a revolver at the conductor, F. B. Reilly, and Brakeman O'Leary, whom he robbed of a small sum. When he attempted to rob the passengers however, Reilly made a show of resistance, and was shot twice through the shoulders by the bandit. The man then stopped the train and dropped off.

A posse is searching the neighborhood. Reilly will probably recover.

MRS. LASSELL DIES AT HARRISBURG

Harrisburg, Pa., April 13.—Mrs. Emma L. Lassell died at her home here last Friday morning, at the age of 5. Mrs. Lassell was the widow of a former Harrisburg merchant, who died about a year ago. She was born in Whitewater, Wis., married in 1874 and she was the mother of three children, two of whom survive, Lyman and Robert, both of Portland.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. B. Van Orsdel, 12th and Commercial streets. The Rev. F. M. Brooke, of W. Boring, will officiate. Burial will be in the cemetery at 2:30 p. m.

Resolutions—Rev. A. A. Winter, C. A. Steele, Rev. H. N. Smith, D. H. O. Rev. F. S. Ham.

Enrollment and Credentials—Arthur N. Tripp, L. S. Hopfield.

PORTLAND MAN TO DRAW PLANS FOR ELKS' BLOCK

E. E. McClaren Employed by Lodge—Perspective Shows Splendid Building.

E. E. McClaren, a prominent Portland architect, will furnish the plans for the Elks' new building at the corner of West Seventh and Olive streets, in this city. After examining sketches made by six architects, four in Eugene and two in Portland, the lodge last night decided that the one furnished by Mr. McClaren was the best, and has closed a contract with him. He is now in the city.

The perspective furnished by Mr. McClaren shows a very handsome building. It will contain a full-sized basement, one large storeroom on the first floor, and the second floor devoted entirely to the use of the lodge. On this floor will be located club rooms, lodge room and banquet hall. The club rooms are featured by ladies' quarters. These are separate from any other part of the building, but at the same time they can be connected with the main club rooms to be used in case of entertainments.

The club rooms will consist of a card room, reading room, billiard room, toilets and baths, with shower attachment; kitchen, secretary's rooms and other departments. The ladies' quarters will be accessible at any time to the wives and relatives of the members of the lodge without having to enter any other part of the building, and they will be used for social functions of various kinds.

The exterior of the building will be built of red pressed brick, with white brick trimmings, presenting a very pretty appearance. One of the main features of the club rooms will be a large balcony on the northwest corner of the building, off from the lounging room, exposed to the exterior by French doors. The entire lower story, both on West Seventh and Olive streets, will be faced with plate glass. Over the Seventh street entrance of the building will be located a terra cotta Elks' head.

The plans will be ready for the contractors to figure upon in about two weeks, and the building will be completed in 120 days after the contract is let, according to the calculations of the architect.

The plans may be seen, after they are completed, at the office of the Jack Rodman company in this city, and at the office of the architect, 525 Lumber Exchange, Portland.

SORORITY GIRLS ARE MODEST; OBJECT TO ABBREVIATED SKIRTS

A rupture in the chorus of the University girls' comic opera, "Princess Chrysanthemum," which will be played tonight at the Eugene theatre, nearly occurred last evening when the girls of one of the leading sororities declared that the costumes worn by six fairy dancers were far too abbreviated for modesty, and demanded that different garments be worn. The opinion was divided between the girls of this sorority and the balance of the "troupe" and to settle the matter, President Campbell was summoned and his opinion sought. The fairy troupe, however, performed with such grace before him that he at once declared everything was above question. To eliminate further question, the sanction of Dr. Stuart, the dean of women, was secured, and it was decreed that the costumes should stand. The sorority that made the complaint, however, withdrew one of its members from the dance, but the other fairies will fly tonight in their glory.

TORNADO SLAYS 15 IN SOUTHWEST

Kansas City, Mo., April 12.—A heavy wind storm, attaining the velocity of a tornado in some sections and accompanied by rain, hail and lightning, swept over western Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma today, killing 15 persons, practically destroying two towns, injuring almost 100 persons, wrecking scores of buildings and putting almost every telephone and telegraph wire out of commission.

The tornado levied its greatest toll of dead at Big Heart, Oklahoma, where eight persons were killed, ten injured and almost every building in the town wrecked.

Whiting, Kans., was practically wiped off the map, 60 buildings being blown down, 30 persons hurt and Mrs. David Stone killed.

School Houses Fall in Kansas

At Powhattan, Kans., a woman and a child were killed.

A high school building was wrecked at Eastridge, Kans., a number of houses damaged and from 15 to 20 persons injured.

At Hiawatha, Kans., a school house was blown down, an eight-year-old boy named Pelton killed and several buildings struck by lightning.

The Kansas end of the tornado started near Whiting and swept in a southeasterly direction for a distance of more than fifty miles.

Thomas Jefferson, His Home, Shaft That Marks His Grave.



Tonight democrats will hold a banquet in all the leading cities. At Indianapolis, Governor Hamon will be the central figure, and at Newark, N. J., Governor Wilson will be the principal speaker.

HEAVY FROST LAST NIGHT NOT GREAT DEAL DAMAGE

While there was a heavy frost last night and the thermometer fell to four degrees below freezing, it is thought there was not a great deal of damage to fruit for the reason that it is not far enough along. The heavy blooms forming a protection.

NEW GUN CLUB ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

Twenty-Seven Have Signed By-Laws and Paid Initiation Fee.

Twenty-seven charter members have signed the by-laws of the new Eugene Gun club, and have paid their \$10 initiation fee, which will go partly toward the expenses of the "Indian" shoot here in June, for which the organization has been formed. The officers chosen are Y. D. Hensill, president; Con Dillon, vice president; George H. Smith, secretary and treasurer; Drew Griffin, field captain. The local gun enthusiasts declare that they have the best location for a trap shoot on the coast. Their grounds are near the golf links south of the city, and there is nothing behind the path of the blue pigeon in the air but the blue sky.

GUS LOWIT ENDS CAREER BY SUICIDE

Denver, April 12.—A young man named Gus Lowit, who is said to have been concerned in some banking irregularities in Portland, Or., committed suicide here today by jumping from a window on the sixth floor of the Ernest-Cramer building. A constable had just served a warrant upon him, charging him with selling a mortgaged automobile. The constable had taken Lowit to a lawyer's office to engage counsel for the prisoner, the latter's wife accompanying them. Suddenly Lowit ran to a window, raised it and leaped out, hanging for a moment by his hands to the sill. The constable managed to grab one of the man's wrists, but was unable to hang on.

Lowit in falling struck some telegraph wires, but his neck was broken on the cement on the cement pavement.

(Gus Lowit was proprietor of the Golden Eagle dry goods store in Portland, and secured over \$100,000 from the defunct Oregon Trust and Savings Co., without giving any security for it.)

One hundred homesteaders filed before the United States commissioner at Bend between March 1 and March 25.

FRENCH SITUATION BECOMES VERY SERIOUS

Sky Darkened by Smouldering Ruins, While Great Army Encounters Rioters

Ehims, April 13.—Each day the rioting in the wine districts becomes more serious. Pillage and destruction of property is going on at an alarming rate. The sky is darkened with the smoke of smouldering ruins of the burned and sacked wine growers' property. Millions of bottles of champagne have been destroyed. The troops, who are estimated at 12,000, are concentrated around the department of Marne, which region resembles a great armed camp. Soldiers are being openly defied and on several occasions were compelled to charge with drawn sabers before the rioters would disperse.

PRICE OF DORM ROOMS LOWERED TO 50 CENTS

First Move Made by University to Lower Cost of Student Living

The first move made by the University to lower the cost of student living is a reduction in the price of rooms at the dormitory from \$1.00 to 50 cents a week. The board has not been changed from \$3.50 a week, but it is announced that shortly this also will be reduced. It is the plan, if the appropriations are not held up, to establish a cold storage plant in connection with the University dormitory, which will enable the institution to purchase foods in wholesale quantities and keep considerable on hand. This, it is thought, will considerably lower the cost of living. At present the dormitory is conducted upon a basis such that it is neither an expense nor a profit to the University.

LAWYER'S RELATIONS WITH TRUSTS BAR HIM FROM SENATE

Washington, April 13.—W. S. Kenyon, Attorney General Wickersham's assistant, and senator-elect, will not qualify as senator until the important anti-trust prosecutions which he is conducting, can be arranged without injury to the work.

Medford's council has authorized the employment of a cement sidewalk inspector at \$80 per month.

NEWS OF DEATH AND DAMAGE IS COMING IN SLOWLY FROM TORNADO DISTRICT

Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—Menger reports received today from the storm-stricken districts of Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas indicate that yesterday's storm covered a wider area than earlier information showed. The number of fatalities is still in doubt, as wire service is demoralized, and definite news from many points is not obtainable.

Whitcomb, Mo., was established. It was learned that two were killed and 60 injured. Every business house in town and two hotels were destroyed. The railway station and schoolhouse succumbed to the storm's fury.

Whiting, Kans., at first reported a

severe sufferer, almost escaped injury. The tornado damaged the surrounding farming districts to a considerable extent.

Three are reported killed and several hurt at Delaware, Okla. Thirty persons were hurt, and thirty houses demolished at Eskridge, Kan.

At Hiawatha, Kan., one was killed and several injured. Twelve buildings were destroyed.

At Germantown and Baker, in Kansas, considerable damage was done.

At Plummerville, Ark., three were killed and several injured.

Holt, Kan., was greatly damaged. Forty houses were wrecked at Lawrence, Kan., where two were killed and several injured.

INDEPENDENT PHONE COMPANY WANTS TO ENTER FIELD HERE Representative in City to Confer With Users of Farmers' Lines.

The Independent Telephone company is making overtures to the Lane county farmers' phone users and offers to install a new system in Eugene and Lane county if the farmers take this as an alternative of building their own plant, as they now intend. A representative of the independent company was in Eugene today from Everett, Wash., to talk with E. W. Zumwalt, head of the local farmers' association. He declared that this field is the best in the west to establish an independent phone system, and he says that his company will have a representative present at the meeting of the farmers, when they meet a week from Saturday, to make them a proposition.

PORCH THIEF WORKING ON ELEVENTH STREET

Several People Have Lost Rugs, Furniture and Other Articles.

A porch thief has been operating among the residences along East Eleventh street, and the police are searching for parties who have removed rugs and porch furniture. Mrs. Minnie Washburn lost a rug last night, J. M. Shelley lost a valuable rug the night before, and several other property owners are losers of furniture and other articles. Professor Straub lost two rocking chairs, but later located them at one of the sorority houses, where they had been left. This indicates that some one is endeavoring to play a joke, but some of the others who are out \$25 or \$40 in rugs and furniture have not located them at any sorority house, do not see it as a joke, and probably have to answer to a serious charge.

"T. R. FOUR FLUSHER, FOOL," SAYS ONE OF INDIGNANT WOMEN

Statement That Unions Producing Less Than 4 Children Are Sterile, Stirrs Storm

New York, April 13.—Prominent New York women are out today with "hot roasts" of former President Roosevelt's statement in the Outlook that marriages which produce less than four children should be considered sterile.

"Roosevelt is a fool and a four-flusher," said Mrs. Marcia Townsend, treasurer of the Women's Political Union. "Let him arrange for his own offspring, but for heaven's sake let him shut up about the rest of the United States. If I used the right words to describe him, aggressive idiocy, they would not be printed."

Mrs. Arthur Fish said: "Imagine a woman going through all the unnecessary suffering of childbirth just to do service to the state? Why should she? What has the state ever done for her? It does not even protect the children she has produced."

Mrs. Raymond Brown, president of the Woman's Suffrage Study club, said: "America is in much more danger from the prophet of race suicide than from its perils."

WILLIAM KITH FAMOUS ARTIST DIES AT BERKELEY

Berkeley, Calif., April 12.—William Kith, an artist of international reputation, died here today from a complication of bills. He was born in Scotland in 1839 and came to California in 1860.

RAYNOR PREDICTS NO TROUBLE WITH JAPAN

Other Senators Agree That Papers Exaggerate Situation.

Washington, April 13.—The first expression in congress concerning the situation of the Mexican border was heard today when Senator Raynor of Maryland addressed the senate on that subject. Although a democrat, Mr. Raynor spoke in confidence of President Taft, and expressed the opinion that there would be no war with Japan or Mexico.

While he did not so express himself in exact terms, it was evident that Mr. Raynor had in mind the reports that Japan is exerting herself to procure a coaling station on the Pacific coast of Mexico. He said: "I am willing to admit that if Japan is entering into negotiations for coaling stations and bases for naval supplies for military purposes with Mexico, we are entitled to know what these negotiations are. Congress is, however, without any information or evidence on the subject. This country would not ordinarily be entitled to know the secret treaties or alliances that other countries may make but on the part of Mexico we unquestionably would be entitled to an explanation."

He was confident that Japan does not seek war with the United States and declared there could be no cause for the hostilities between the two countries.

Much of the Maryland senator's speech was devoted to the contention that the Monroe Doctrine is not involved in the Mexican situation. Quoting authorities to show that the original Monroeism looked monarchical institutions in the western hemisphere, he sought to discredit the position in relation to the collection of claims against western nations taken during the Roosevelt administration in the Santo Domingo controversy. This he characterized as the "Roosevelt Doctrine," rather than the Monroe Doctrine.

Lodge and Cullom Agree

At the conclusion of Raynor's address Senators Lodge and Cullom took occasion to confirm the Maryland senator's statement regarding the improbability of a misunderstanding between the United States and Mexico.

"I have examined the official correspondence with care and am unable to discover any allusion to Japan," said Lodge, "and so far, as I am able to judge the reports in the press are a mere fabrication. Confessing ignorance as to the motive of the circulation of these reports he expressed the opinion that there was a strong interest back of them."

Cullom made a similar statement. Electing of Senators.

The passage of a resolution on the direct election of senators with many republicans voting in its favor were probably be accomplished in the house before the end of today's session.

The vote on it in committee was strictly a party vote, the democrats favoring it and the republicans saying it was ill advised and not supported by sufficient data to indicate accurately its effect if adopted.

The Canadian reciprocity bill introduced in the house yesterday was reported favorably to the house today by the new ways and means committee. The committee also passed favorably on the free list measure, but will not report it until tomorrow. The Canadian reciprocity bill was taken up first by committee and after the brief discussion McCall, its sponsor in the 61st congress, moved it be approved. This was done without division.

The free list bill, however, was not unanimously approved.