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TRAPPISTS FOUND A REFUGE

Driven From Their Ancient Seat, the Silent Brotherhood Seeks Rest and Religious Liberty in Free America.

MONASTERY IS RISING AMID GREEN HILLS

Busy Workers They and Industries Flourish Where They Abide—History of Ascetic Band Who Have Suffered for Their Faith.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 22.—After suffering persecution, intolerance and even exile for the sake of their faith the followers of the Trappist order have settled on these shores and are building for themselves a monastery and home in the fertile and beautiful hills of Linn county. Far removed from the scenes of its first inception and founding, they are reviving the tenets of their faith and re-instituting the order of their service in more distant America.

Their order of service and conduct is of an interesting character. They are the most austere of the Catholic orders. Settling in this community but a few years ago and coming direct from the shores of sunny France they have established a colony in the hills above Scio and they are building a monastery and house of worship.

In a beautiful location is located the new monastery of Our Lady of Jordan. This is becoming the home of the believers and members of that order and the center of monastic life for the clergy and brethren.

Rev. Father Marchand is the abbot of the order and the Rev. Father Pelletier superior. Since locating in that community they have constructed a large monastery building, a barn and a sawmill and have acquired 200 acres of the most fertile and productive land within Linn county. The total membership of this order at present consists of five priests and about fifteen lay brothers. These perform the manual labor about the settlement, run the mill and till the soil. It is distinctly a brotherhood and they live there in complete harmony and accord in the remoteness of their mountain retreat. In fact, it is hoped to make this the Mecca of those exiled and driven from their former homes and monasteries.

On account of the legislation directed against certain religious orders by the French government and the chaotic condition of church and state, the followers of Arnold Jean de Roubillon de Rance, an abbot and founder of that order, were forced to leave that country and seek an asylum in a land more tolerant religiously.

HISTORY OF THE ORDER

The order was founded in the twelfth century and is a monastic order of the Roman Catholic church. Its earliest beginnings were in Orne, Normandy. Here its founder introduced radical reforms which made it a very severe and strict order. He immediately met with most decided opposition from the monks and the church in general. The church had become lax in discipline and the practices of the clergy disorderly. The easy-going and pleasure-loving monks rebelled against the enforcement of such severe and monotonous laws and rules as were imposed and demanded by the new leader.

There was no middle ground and all who desired to follow in the footsteps of their zealous leader were obliged to obey and conform to the severest of religious rites. Twelve hours of each day was to be devoted and set aside for religious services. Solitary meditation and prayer were required. This left but a few hours of the day for manual labor. Meat and wine were forbidden, vegetables and water constituting the principal fare of the devotees. Even conversation among the brothers of the order was forbidden. The whole manner of living was intended to concentrate the whole mind on the idea of death and eternal life.

DRIVEN OUT OF EUROPE.

From the time of its establishment in the twelfth century to the time of the French revolution the order had gradually increased in strength and numbers and had become so powerful as to be considered a menace to the state. This eventually resulted in its suppression. In 1817 they again came into prominence and revived their customs and practices, until the year 1870, when they were driven from France. Germany in 1874 drove them out.

Naturally America was the haven chosen and here they established their order, first settling at Pigeon Hill, Pennsylvania. Others settled in Kentucky and some in Nova Scotia. Colo-

nie were also established at Dubuque, Iowa.

Gradually they are being driven from France to these shores and of those coming a large number settle in Linn county, going direct to the monastery and home at Jordan. Here they have absolute immunity from disturbance and in the peace of the secluded hills are again reviving the teaching and practices of their beloved founder, where they have a home and a retreat for all who may be seeking the quiet of a monastic settlement.

WOMAN IS KILLED BY A STREET CAR

Husband is Fatally Hurt—Couple Walk Directly in Front of Waverly-Richmond Car—Motorman Weeps Over Mangled Bodies.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—While returning from Christmas festivities at Woodburn and when within 100 yards of their home at 504 E. at Eighteenth St.-et. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lavier were knocked down and ground under the wheels of a West-bound car on the Waverly-Richmond line. Mrs. Lavier was instantly killed and her husband was probably fatally injured. Frank Miller, the motorman, became hysterical and wept on seeing the mangled bodies, though no blame appears to attach to him for the awful tragedy.

George J. Cameron, Judge of the Police Court, was present when the accident occurred, and rendered valuable assistance. He secured a lantern and found the woman's body under the wheels of the forward truck. She was stretched across the track, with her limbs mangled and her head crushed.

Judge Cameron requested the conductor to reverse the car and back up, so the body could be removed. There was no sign of life. Motorman Miller, who was discovered, was standing a block distant, crying. Further search revealed Lavier, who had been hurled from the track and was lying unconscious in the mud.

Judge Cameron called an ambulance, but the officials of the street car company ordered the car that struck the couple, No. 346, to carry Lavier to the Good Samaritan Hospital with all possible haste. Lavier was attended by Dr. J. J. Paston, who is as yet unable to state the exact extent of his injuries, but the patient's recovery is regarded as doubtful.

When he regained consciousness, Lavier called piteously for his wife. He was told that his wife was dead, as the physicians feared he might not survive the shock of the news.

Coroner Finley went to the scene and took charge of the body of Mrs. Lavier. He made a partial investigation of the accident, and it is probable that an inquest will be held. There were no eye-witnesses to the accident, with the exception of motorman Miller, who collapsed and was unable to give any details. All he knew, he said, was that his car approached Eighteenth Street from the east, and that Mrs. Lavier suddenly appeared on the tracks but a few feet ahead of him and were knocked to the ground before he could reverse the current and stop.

It is believed that Mr. and Mrs. Lavier, who reached Portland from their Christmas trip to the home of Mrs. Lavier's parents at Woodburn on the evening Southern Pacific train, alighted at the East Side station and took the Waverly-Richmond car; that they left it at Eighteenth Street, and while trying to avoid another Eastbound car that was passing, walked directly in front of car No. 346, which they did not see. They had no time to escape and the motorman claims he could not avert the fatal accident.

The Lavier had been married five years, but had no children. The husband had been employed by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company in its "B" station as a flumer, for two months. Mrs. Lavier was but 25 years of age. Her parents reached the city last night on the 11 o'clock train.

CHRISTMAS TIME AT EVERGREEN FARM.

A very enjoyable reunion was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sutherland, near this city on Christmas day.

Christmas eve was made merry by a Christmas tree for the young people which was enjoyed by all. The following were present: Miss Hildagard Sutherland, daughter of Mr. Sutherland, and Katherine Drury, daughter and granddaughter of Mr. Sutherland, also Mrs. B. M. Craft, of Albany, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Richardson and son, and Mr. Mrs. M. W. Miller, all of whom enjoyed a most bounteous dinner, prepared by Mrs. Sutherland, on Christmas day.

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BLACKSMITHS FORM A TRUST

Linn County and Adjoining County Blacksmiths Met in Albany Last Week and Agreed on a Scale of Prices.

WILL KEEP A LIST OF THE "DEAD BEATS."

The New Union Will Ultimately Be Extended Throughout the State—Members Have Elaborate Banquet at Close of Meeting.

To secure a higher wage scale and uniform prices, the blacksmiths of Linn County met Thursday afternoon of last week in Albany and effected the organization of a union. Nearly every blacksmith in the county had been previously notified of the meeting and when called at one p. m. 21 blacksmiths were in attendance.

The meeting was remarkable for the harmony which prevailed, as every one was unanimous in the opinion that the present scale of wages was far too low as compared with the other trades.

The meeting was called to order by J. J. Barnes of Scio acting as temporary chairman. He briefly stated the object of the meeting, saying that it had been called to endeavor to raise the standard of prices among the blacksmiths of Linn county and to secure a more uniform scale.

After a permanent organization had been effected and officers elected the scale of prices was discussed among the members and adopted. Members of the union are all to be required to give \$100 bonds to insure their keeping of the prices agreed on by the union.

LIST OF "DEADBEATS."

Among the laws of the new union it was decided that the secretary keep a list of "dead-beats" which list shall contain the names of all persons who are known not to pay their debts. It is provided that any member of the union shall report to the secretary the name of such persons as are owing him and of whom he is unable to collect his money. Such persons will be refused work by all members of the union "until," as the law provides, "he shall have squared up with the one he already owes." This law is designed as a sort of mutual protection for members of the union.

While Linn county blacksmiths were the first to organize their union, the present plan of those having it in charge is not to confine the union to this county alone, but to extend the union throughout the Willamette Valley counties and ultimately the whole state. In line with this the membership of the union organized yesterday includes blacksmiths from other counties and the list will be extended. Corvallis blacksmiths have signified their approval of the objects of the new union and will be asked to join. The annual dues are \$1.

The members of the union at the close of their meeting yesterday adjourned to the Imperial restaurant where an elaborate banquet was partaken of. The meeting next year will be at Brownsville during the Pioneer picnic.

Officers elected yesterday for the new union were: President, O. P. Danna, Albany; secretary, W. J. Moore, Brownsville; treasurer, Jas. Bryant, Albany.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

A grievance committee which will deal with all troubles which may come up, was appointed consisting of John Gill of Scio; J. C. Stanish of Halsey; Joe Mayer of Lebanon; J. B. Miesler of Stayton and J. T. Bryant of Albany.

Prices agreed on by the union and established are as follows:

For 6's and 7's, new shoes, \$2.50; all sizes under 6's \$2.00.

For re-setting old shoes, \$1.00; for re-toeing of shoes, \$1.50.

For setting buggy and wagon tires up to 3 inches, \$3.00 per set; for 2 inch tires and over \$4.00.

For setting axles up to one inch, \$1.00 and 25 cents advance for every 1-8 inch over one inch.

For rough sharpening, 12 inch, 25 cents; 14 inch, 30 cents; 16 inch, 35 cents and 75 cents for good steel point road ploughs 50 cents; for pointing, \$1.00.

For sharpening road grader, \$3.00.

For new plough shares, 12 and 14 inch, \$3.50; 16 inch, \$4.00.

For putting on new steel tire on buggy or hack up to 11-2 inches, \$5.00 for the labor; for 2 inch tires, \$7.00 for the labor.

For new wagon tires up to 2 inches, \$5.00 for the labor; from 2 inches to 2 1-2 inches, \$6.50 for the labor and

from 2 1-2 inches to 3 1-2 inches, \$8.00 for the labor.

Those present were: Albany, Jas. Driver, F. L. Snider, Earl Blanchard, O. P. Danna, J. T. Bryant, P. C. Anderson, W. B. Morris, George Henderson and Clyde Danna; Annville, Henry Ahlhauser; Halsey, Dan Stanish; Shedd, W. C. Jackson; Scio, J. J. Barnes and John Gill; Crabtree, William Bay; Stayton, H. J. Miesler, J. H. Miesler, Mr. Kinsey; Sublimity, P. Meyer; Brownsville, Mr. Baker; Lebanon, Joseph Mayer.—Albany Herald.

ARE BELIEVED TO BE BAD CITIZENS.

Harry Beard and George W. Stone Are Suspected of Stealing Chickens, Oats, Geats, and Most Anything Lying Around Loose.

For some time the hen roosts in and around Scio have been depleted of their feathered occupants from time to time, but suspicion has not openly attached to Harry Beard and George Stone until quite recently. These men have been known to be out at any and all hours of the night, and to make frequent excursions into the country. It is generally thought that if the truth could be known they could account for at least a part of the missing fowls.

Beard has also sold sacks of oats to two or three individuals in town. As he has no oats and it is not shown that he has bought any, it is generally thought that he obtained them illicitly. Their latest escapade, however, occurred last Saturday night. It is reported that Beard and Stone made one of their usual midnight foraging trips, being absent from the Stone home for something more than one hour. At about that time A. J. DeVany's dogs made an unusual racket, barking in the direction of J. A. Blyen's pasture. When Stone and Beard returned they brought along with them and which, later developments showed, had been butchered on the bank of the creek. The head, hide, etc., being probably sunk in the deep water alongside of where the animal had been dressed. The meat was found concealed in Stone's barn, divided equally and placed in separate sacks. Mrs. Stone witnessed the cutting up and division of the meat, through an aperture in the barn.

The News dislikes to be compelled to write of anybody in this manner, much less citizens of Scio. A grave mistake was made some time ago, when Beard was given his liberty by his mother and a Jefferson man giving bonds for his appearance at the next term of court. Had he been confined in the County Jail, the escapades cited above would not, probably, have occurred.

In addition Beard and Stone are accused of having liquor shipped here and to Crabtree Station which they afterwards retailed to the bibulously inclined at so much per bottle.

Whether Beard and Stone are guilty of any or all the above, the News knows not. But it does know that their actions for the past two months have convinced the entire town that the accusations have a basis of fact upon which to rest. Later developments will probably bring to light the entire truth relative to the whole matter.

HARRY BEARD ARRESTED.

Last Tuesday, upon the complaint of J. A. Blyen, Deputy District Attorney Hill, of Albany, issued a warrant of arrest for Harry Beard. The warrant was served by Deputy Sheriff Miller, who landed Harry in the city calaboose for safe keeping where he was held pending his trial before Justice Dickey.

When Stone found that positive evidence would be produced that he and Beard had purchased the goat he (Stone) made a virtue of necessity and confessed in writing to killing and taking of the goat.

From the tenor of the confession, Beard is the principal in the crime and Stone the accomplice. During the time Beard was held in the city jail he, too, confessed his guilt to Deputy Miller.

When brought before Judge Dickey, yesterday afternoon Beard pleaded guilty and was sentenced by his honor, to serve sixty days in the county jail.

Later Beard was taken to Albany and turned over to Sheriff Smith, to commence serving time in jail. Let us hope the lesson will be of value to Harry in his future conduct.

Stockholders' Meeting.

A Stockholders' meeting, of the Scio Commercial Telephone Company, is hereby called to meet at the City Hall in Scio on Saturday, January 12 at 1 p. m., to transact such business as may be called up before the meeting.

T. M. Holt, President.

Notarial work of all kinds promptly executed at the News office.

MINER HICKS IS RESCUED

Drift is Made into Side of Hill and Entombed Man is Finally Reached—Buried for 15 Days Under 60 Feet of Earth.

RESCUE EFFECTED UNDER GREAT DIFFICULTY

The Miner's Five Companions Are Dead—Work Was Prosecuted Day and Night—No Immediate Help Could Be Rendered.

BAKERFIELD, Cal., Dec. 22.—L. B. Hicks, the miner who was entombed by the cave in, in a tunnel of the Edison Electric power company, December 7, was rescued at 11:25 o'clock tonight.

The news occasioned great excitement in this city and for more than forty five minutes pandemonium reigned. Bells were rung, whistles blown, and firearms were discharged. Hicks was entombed alive under 60 feet of debris fifteen days ago. Five other workers were buried at the same time by the cave in of thousands of tons of earth and rock.

The men had just begun to work in the tunnel which was being built to aid in generating electric power from waters of the Kern river when with a warning the perpendicular walls of the shaft above them collapsed. No immediate help could be rendered.

The work of recovering the bodies was immediately begun and prosecuted with vigor, but owing to the yielding nature of the soil, slow progress was made.

Hope of rescuing any victims had been abandoned, when three days after the disaster the sound of tapping on a water pipe was heard. Instantly a response was sent and answering rap-porved that at least one of the imprisoned miners was alive. Communication was established through it with the man at the bottom, which proved the man to be Hicks, whose life had been saved by a steel car under which he was pinned. His five companions were dead.

Fearing to dislodge the debris in the shaft, the rescuing party began work on a drift from the side of the hill and work was not suspended day or night. Hicks was given milk through the pipe and he soon showed signs of renewed vitality. Every effort was made to keep his mind in a cheerful mood so as not to become unbalanced. His rescue was a most difficult piece of work and that it was accomplished at all is regarded as marvellous.

WERE WEDDED.

One of the prettiest home weddings that the News man has ever attended occurred at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morris, in this city, on Sunday December 23, when their daughter Miss Anna was wedded to Mr. Herman Eckhart, of Portland.

Just at high noon, preceded into the parlor by the officiating clergyman, Rev. C. A. Wooley, the bride and groom taking their places in front of the large bay window facing the guests were, in a short, simple, but impressive ceremony, by virtue of the authority of the state of Oregon and the higher authority of Jesus Christ, pronounced husband and wife.

After being congratulated by the minister, Mr. and Mrs. Morris approached the happy couple with congratulations. One could see that to the aged parents as well as the bride, that getting married and taking a final leave from the parental roof was a serious affair. After the guests had all expressed their congratulations, all were invited to an elegant turkey and cranberry sauce dinner. The ceremony of cutting the bride's cake was performed by the new made Mrs. Eckhart with grace and skill, the ring finally falling to the lot of Miss Vina Miller. As Mr. and Mrs. Eckhart intended to take the 3 p. m. train for Portland, they were necessarily compelled to cut the dinner short, and start for Jefferson. Amidst a shower of rice, old shoes, etc., the happy couple departed for their new home in Portland.

Mrs. Eckhart, who is the fifth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris' to become victimized by Cupid's arts, is well known by every body in Scio having been born and raised in this city. About twelve years ago she entered the Scio Press printing office to learn the art preservative. For the past three or four years she has been employed in the Rodgers printing office in Portland, where she became acquainted with and worked with the young man whom she now calls "Husband."

The groom, Mr. Herman Eckhart, is

one of Portland's brightest energetic business men, and now owns and operates a job printing establishment in that city. He has just completed and furnished an elegant cottage home on the east side, in which the happy couple will at once commence house-keeping.

A large number of very useful wedding presents were displayed on a table in a room adjoining the parlor, a list of which follows: Cake plate, Miss Dolly Daley; vase, Edna Parish Lewis; table linen, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Prill and Roger Cain; tea spoons, John G. Gill; tea spoons, Miss Vina Miller; soup ladle, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blyen; comb spoon, Mrs. Alice H. Dodd and R. E. Pentland; olive fork, Harold Covery; cake plate Miss Grace Gill; dinner set, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morris and family; soup spoons, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Peery; salad set, Henry M. Myers; crumb tray Edyth Watkins; meat fork, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Harsh; salad spoon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butcher; salad spoon, Newland sisters; tea spoons, Mr. Funk; dollie, Claidie McKnight; berry spoon, Mr. and Mrs. F. Burke. Several other presents were on the table, but the hurry of packing prevented us from listing them.

A list of the guests follows: Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Prill, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blyen, Mrs. Lewis, Roger Cain, Miss Dolly Daley, John G. Gill, Miss Grace Gill, Henry M. Myers, Miss Claidie McKnight, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Cyrus, Miss Edyth Watkins, Mr. John Cyrus, Miss Vina Miller, Miss Daisy Buckner, Miss Eula Cyrus, Miss Edna Peery, Mrs. May Jones and son Mason, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morris, Miss Bea Morris, Dean and Rolla Morris, Harold Peery, Rev. Wooley and the News man.

The News man feels a sort of proprietorship in Mrs. Eckhart, seeing that she was so long a part of our office force. A more lively, even tempered young lady never lived in Scio than she and as can be used Mr. Eckhart that in the matrimonial lottery, he has drawn a prize—a jewel of the first water. The News family, most fervently, extends congratulations, assuring Mrs. Anna that she will ever hold a warm place in our hearts.

WOMEN CHARGED WITH LOOTING BANK.

Seven Girls, Acting as Clerks, Said to Have Stolen Millions Dollars and Forced Waynesburg Bank Into Bankruptcy.

WAYNESBURG, Pa., Dec. 24.—Seven women clerks, it is alleged, wrought the series of forgeries by which the Farmers & Drivers Bank was robbed of \$1,000,000 and brought to complete ruin.

An investigation of the books has revealed an amazing state of affairs. No less than eight separate sets of ledgers were kept, and only one, that in the sole possession of J. B. F. Rinehart, showed the real status of the institution. Already the failure is described as one of the worst in the history of banking in Pennsylvania.

The facts involving the seven suspected women have been arranged for presentation to Owen F. Rowd, a special agent of the Department of Justice, who is expected to arrive tomorrow.

A preliminary inquiry has been completed by Bank Examiner John B. Cunningham, who before leaving for his home, admitted he was astonished by the ingenuity and daring with which the bank had been looted. He said half the story of the failure had not been told, and that the rumors in circulation did not approach the seriousness of the situation.

Cunningham expressed the belief that a criminal information would be made against the clerks, although he believed they were guilty only of constructive forgery.

STATE NEWS.

Ara Takashima, a servant of the Ewan home in Portland, was shot and probably fatally injured, Christmas eve night, by Arthur McKean, who thought Ara was a burglar.

Only eight boxes of Christmas presents awaiting delivery, were stacked up in the Portland post office, on Christmas day.

Otto Aschoff, of out East of Portland, had his neck broken nearly one year ago. He is reported to be slowly recovering.

Multnomah 2, Seattle 0 is the score of the Christmas football meet over at Seattle.

Car shortage at all points in Oregon and Washington is reported to be being gradually relieved.

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