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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS IN BRIEF

Newsy Items Gathered From All
Parts of the World

PREPARED FOR BUSY READERS

Less Important But Not Less Interesting
Happenings In This and From
Other States

Mrs. Hazel Maddux, who has been on
trial, in Portland, this week, for being
complicated in the killing of Mrs. May
Real, on the Linton road, in that city,
some weeks ago, was acquitted by the
jury before whom the case was tried.
Mrs. Real was run down and killed by
automobile "joy" riders on the early
morning of August 6. Mrs. Maddux
and her companion, Frank Rodman
were automobiling on that road during
the early morning of that date, but the
state failed to connect them with the
tragedy.

Democrats will celebrate "Jackson
Day," January 8, in Portland.

Four hundred men and boys perished
in a coal mine at Cherry Illinois, last
Saturday, caused by a mine explosion.

Land fraud matters are again on the
boards in Portland. Three men,
ex-Banker Ross, John E. Aichison, and
Frank B. Holbrook, have been indicted
for conspiracy to defraud the govern-
ment of land.

In the two prominent Oregon foot
ball games last Saturday, O. A. C. lost
to Washington university and Oregon
university won from Idaho university.

Gus Lowit, of the Golden Eagle cloth-
ing emporium, which flourished, in
Portland, so long as the Oregon Savings
bank had money, has been brought back
from Denver, to stand trial for com-
plicity to defraud the banks' depositors.

Madame Steinheil, who has been on
trial in Paris, France, accused of
murdering her husband and her step-
mother, has been found not guilty.
The trial has attracted the world's at-
tention for the past three weeks.

Abe Ruef, the San Francisco grafter,
is said to be in danger of losing both
his sight and hearing. Bad air in the
jail in which he has been confined for
the past year, is ascribed as the cause.

It is said that the 23 Democrats who
aided in fastening the Cannon rules upon
the last session of the national House
of Representatives, will be read out of
the party.

Eusapia Paladino, the world renowned
Italian spiritual medium, is now giving
séances in New York. A committee of
scientists are subjecting her to the
severest test conditions.

Hillsboro Pythians have just comple-
ted an elegant new lodge hall, two-
stories and pressed brick front, and is
the largest lodge hall in the city.

Bakers City's new \$40,000 flour mill,
completed only a few weeks ago, has
been totally destroyed by fire.

AN INTERESTING MEETING

Banner Grange Holds Its First Fall
All-Day Meeting—An Elegant
Lunch Served

Banner Grange met in regular session
on Saturday, November 13, at the K.
of P. hall.

While there were not as many mem-
bers present as were expected, espe-
cially during the forenoon, the meeting
as a whole, was a pronounced success.
Worthy Master F. J. Denny called
the house to order at 10:30 a. m., after
which the regular business of the
Grange was taken up, until noon, when
lunch was served and say, if anyone
doubts the cooking ability of the ladies
of the Forks, just let them taste of the
good things, which are so bountifully
served at these Grange meetings, for
the proof of the pudding is the eating
thereof.

After the sumptuous repast, the
literary program was opened with a
song by the Grange, followed by a read-
ing by F. B. West, who presented one
of his side-splitting character sketches
entitled "Darktown Philosophy." Miss
Agnes Cain followed with a vocal solo
in her usual pleasing manner.

A select reading by Mrs. E. J. Kim-
ball proved an interesting part of the
program and Mrs. Kimball's ability as
a social entertainer.

The subject of "School Sanitation"
was introduced by Prof. Mize, who in
a brief manner, portrayed some of the
defects of the sanitary condition pre-
valent in our schools, and offered some
valuable hints how to correct some of
these evils. Mrs. Kimball's remarks
along this line were presented in a
forceful manner and, we trust, will re-
sult in much good. Scio can justly feel
proud of her teachers, this year and,
we trust, she will make it manifest by
giving them her undivided support.

Before adjournment, the lecturer
read a communication from Dr. James
Withycombe, of Corvallis, who stated
that he would be glad to aid us by
furnishing a series of lectures for the
Grange. Arrangements were made to
have Prof. Dryden at our meeting in
December, who will address us on the
subject of "Poultry raising on the
farm." It is hoped that every member
will make a special effort to be present
and hear Prof. Dryden, on this
occasion.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

LOVER OF 77 PRONOUNCED SANE

W. A. Paul of Sound Mind, As He
Gave Away Lands

IMPHATUATION, NOT INSANITY

Because He Was Duped by Young "Widow"
Supreme Court Insists He Was
Mentally Responsible

Salem, Or., Nov. 15 (Special).—Just
because W. A. Paul, when 77 years old,
married a winsome young "widow,"
whose husband it later developed was
still living, sold his Linn County farm
to one of his sons, W. S. Paul, the Su-
preme Court decided today there was no
evidence that the old man was mentally
incompetent when he made the land sale.

G. M. Paul, another son, had brought
suit against his brother, W. S. Paul, to
have the land sale declared invalid. The
plaintiff won when the case was heard
before Judge Galloway, but in a decision
by Justice McIlrath the case was re-
versed today.

The decision reviews the case and re-
cites that Mrs. Burns was the "widow"
whom Paul, senior, married in 1902; that
he deeded part of his farm to the woman
and that the children tried to defeat the
wiles of the "step-mother" and secure
the remainder of his farm to his son,
Paul borrowed from a Salem bank \$4000,
which he paid to the "widow" in order
to have the matter hushed up.

Chief Justice Moore announced from
the Supreme Bench this afternoon that
owing to the meeting of the Oregon Bar
Association tomorrow, the court will
suspend business until Thursday.
Tuesday is the regular day for handing
down opinions, but owing to the Bar
Association meeting, the opinions of
the week were announced this afternoon.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the under-
signed Administrator of the Estate of
L. C. Miller Deceased, has Filed in the
County Court of Linn County Oregon
his final account in said Estate and said
Court has fixed Monday the 20th day
of December 1909 at 1 o'clock p. m. of
said day and at the County Court room
of said County as the time and place of
hearing said final account and all
objections legally filed thereto.
Dated November 17 1909.

J. F. Potter
Administrator.
W. H. Queener.
Atty. for Administrator.
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The News has arranged a clubbing
rate with the Youth's Companion Pub-
lishing Co. by which the SANTIAM
News and the Youth's Companion can
be supplied for \$2.60 a year. The last
named paper is the leading weekly
magazine published in the country. Its
contents are high class moral stories,
and other instructive and entertaining
matter. The subscription price is
\$1.75. With the News, as above
quoted, \$2.60.

PAID THE PENALTY WITH HIS LIFE

J. A. Finch, Murderer of R. B. Fisher
Was Executed Friday, Nov. 12

GOVERNOR REFUSES INTERVENTION

Lets Law Take Its Course in the Finch Case
and Commutes Daley's Sentence to
Imprisonment for Life

James Anderson Finch, who nearly
one year ago, walked into the office of
Ralph B. Fisher, in the Mohawk build-
ing in Portland and, with the greeting
"Hello Ralph" fired a bullet into the
back of Fisher's head, causing almost
instant death, was hanged at the peni-
tentiary, at Salem, shortly after noon
last Friday, in expiation of the crime.

The causes which led up to the
tragedy, in brief are as follows: Finch
had been disbarred for one year because
of drunkenness and the careless use of
his partners name and seal to a pension
voucher. Finch had appeared in court
in an intoxicated condition. Charges
were preferred against him before the
Oregon bar association. Fisher was
the duly appointed prosecuting officer
and prosecuted Finch before the bar of
the Supreme Court, resulting in disbar-
ment for one year. Finch felt aggrieved
at Fisher because of the sentence and on
the day of the murder, went to
Fisher's office to remonstrate at the
severity of the sentence, fortifying
himself by the purchase of a revolver
and several drinks of brandy before-
hand.

Before he reached the office, Finch
must have concluded that remonstrance
was useless, for he had scarcely uttered
the greeting "Hello Ralph" when he
fired the fatal bullet.

Finch was arrested before he left the
building and was speedily indicted, his
trial followed within a month after the
murder. Conviction of murder in the
first degree followed, after a trial last-
ing about one week. From this deci-
sion, appeal to the State Supreme court
was taken, the opinion being handed
down something over one month ago.
Finch was then sentenced to be hung
at Salem, one month later.

During the last few days of this
period, Governor Benson has been be-
sieged almost hourly to commute the
death sentence to imprisonment for
life.

Letters, petitions, personal
solicitation and on the day prior, the
wife and aged mother tearfully plead
for the life of their loved one. But all
were in vain. Governor Benson is a
merciful man and has a heart of pity
for the erring, but he has, also, a
monitor within him which says "justice
before mercy. Society must be pro-
tected. The law must be vindicated."
On Thursday afternoon he announced
his decision. The law must take its
course in the Finch case and he com-
muted the death sentence of Harry
Daley to imprisonment for life. No
one but Governor Benson can realize
the terrible responsibility which rested
upon him, as the final arbiter of a
human life. No doubt his heart yearned
to grant the prayer of those two
distressed women, but his sense of duty
was the stronger.

Finch approached his doom, seem-
ingly, without a tremor. His last words
spoken from the gallows, were of a
forgiving spirit; yet in justification of
his act. Just four minutes after the
drop fell, life was pronounced extinct
and, shortly thereafter, the body was
turned over to the grief stricken wife
and mother and was later taken to
Portland.

James A. Finch was well known in
Linn County. Along in the nineties he
published a Populist newspaper, "The
Silver Imprint" in Albany and assisted
in carrying the county for that ticket.
When the Populist party disbanded,
Finch returned to the Republican party
and, for a year or two, was local editor
of the Albany Herald. When Whitney,
of the Herald, was elected state printer,
Finch also moved to Salem. He served
as clerk of enrolled bills, for the senate
during one session of the legislature.
After working a few months for the
Capital Journal, he removed to Port-
land, engaging in the practice of law.
Just a short time before the tragedy,
he was married to Miss May Petty.

Jim Finch has paid the penalty of the
crime he committed. His sentence is

just and there has not been the usual
delay in cases of this kind.

Governor Benson could find no miti-
gating circumstances in the matter, and
while the execution must have been
even more painful to the wife and
mother than to Finch, they, in time,
will acquiesce in the rightfulness of
stern justice. Yet, let us cover the
dead man with a mantle of charity.
There was some good, even in Jim
Finch, if we will but seek it out.

OREGON DAIRY CONVENTION

The Meeting of December 9 and 10
Expected to Be a Hummer—State
Threshermen at The Dalles
December 2 and 3

Portland, Or., Nov. 15 (Special) Ore-
gon dairymen will meet in Portland
December 9 and 10 and plans already
under way for the gathering indicates
it will be one of the most interesting
conventions in the history of the asso-
ciation. There will be a large attend-
ance of dairymen from both Washington
and Oregon and a fine lot of exhibits of
dairy products.

One prominent creamery will exhibit
over 50 kinds of cheese gathered from
all over the world. This showing is
bound to be of very great interest.

T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland
Flouring Mills, has offered prizes of \$5
and \$35 for the best exhibits of dairy
products at the convention and com-
petition for the prizes will be keen.

The programme as now planned is an
excellent one. Among the most promi-
nent speakers will be Mr. Rawl, of
Washington, D. C., chief of the dairy
division of the Department of Agricul-
ture, who will be in attendance. Others
of note will speak.

The convention will be held in the W.
O. W. hall on Eleventh street, near
Alder. Attendance promises to be un-
usually large because of the fact that
the Oregon State Horticultural Society
holds its annual meeting just before the
dairymen's convention and many will
attend both gatherings.

Manchurian larks, entirely new song-
birds for this country, will be liber-
ated in Oregon next Spring, being the first
of this species ever brought to America.
Mrs. Fred D. Fisher, wife of the
American consul at Niu-Chwang, Man-
churia, who returned to America last
week with her husband, brought back
15 of the birds. She will keep them
through the Winter and liberate them
in the Spring. The imported songsters
are rated as among the best song birds
in the world. They are about the size
of the native lark but are the color of
the wren. The Chinese keep them in
cages in their homes.

The State Threshermen's Association
has its annual convention in prospect on
December 2 and 3 at The Dalles. There
is a prize offer of \$200 for the best
bushel of wheat grown in the state,
offered by Philip S. Bates, secretary of
the association. Judges in this contest
have been named as follows: Prof. H.
D. Scudder, agronomist at the Oregon
Agricultural College, and J. W. Ganong,
vice-president of the Portland Flouring
Mills. Addresses of note are on the
programme. Prof. Phil S. Rose, Mad-
ison, Wis., will lecture on the use of
gasoline power on the farm, and Byron
Aunter, of the Department of Agricul-
ture, Washington, D. C., will speak on
the selection of seed wheat and the
organization of seed growers' associa-
tion. The Government good roads
work will be represented and other
speakers will tell of the threshing in-
dustry in this state. The business men
of The Dalles will give the threshermen
a banquet at The Dalles hotel.

The Bonneville salmon hatchery, the
biggest in the world, which will be the
central fish hatchery for this state, was
opened yesterday with appropriate
exercises. Governor Benson, State
Treasurer Steel, Fish Warden Mc-
Allister, of Oregon, and Fish Commis-
sioner Riesland, of Washington,
together with a number of prominent
cannerymen of both states, attended.
The new hatchery is a model plant, and
has a capacity of 60,000,000 eggs, there
being now about 20,000,000 on hand.
Nursery and feeding ponds are provided
for 3,000,000 young fish.

Every dairyman, who wishes to be
successful and all desire this end, should
provide himself with a Babcock milk
tester and scales with which to weigh
each cow's milk. By frequent tests, he
will soon ascertain which are his profit-
able cows and which should go to the
butcher's block.