

EULALIE HANSEN, AGED 11, DISAPPEARS; IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED

LEAVES HOME FOR OFFICE; IS NOT SEEN AGAIN

Police Have Clue That She Boarded Train, Accompanied by Strange Woman—Thought to Be on Way to San Diego, Cal.

COURTS AWARDED CHILD TO MR. HANSEN'S CUSTODY

Was Divorced Some Time Ago—Father Says Child Always Appeared Contented.

Eulalie Hansen, aged 11, daughter of Paul C. Hansen, senior partner of the Medford Sash & Door company, disappeared from her home in this city Wednesday morning and has not been seen since. It is believed that she was kidnaped by her mother, who resides in California and who was divorced from Mr. Hansen several years ago. The police are today endeavoring to intercept the girl who, it is claimed, was seen to board a train for the south accompanied by a woman who is now believed to be the girl's mother. Mr. Hansen was recently awarded the custody of his daughter by the courts after she had resided for some time with her grandmother.

The girl's departure from her father's home at 343 South Grape had evidently been carefully planned, for she excited no suspicions in leaving. She informed her stepmother that she intended to go downtown to her father's office. Later when Mr. Hansen returned home he thought she was with girl friends, but later became alarmed and notified the police.

It was learned today that a girl answering the description of the missing one boarded train No. 15 for the south yesterday morning, accompanied by a woman. This is believed to be Mrs. R. J. Adams of Santa Rosa, Cal., the girl's mother, both she and Mr. Hansen renouncing after their divorce.

Steps have been taken by the police to head off the couple and have the girl returned to her father's home, as according to a court decree the mother cannot lawfully withhold the custody of the child from the father. Mr. Hansen stated today that the child had always appeared happy and contented since she had come from her grandmother's to live with him. He is of the opinion that the girl's mother came here and got into communication with her daughter and induced her to leave in the manner in which she did.

The woman who was seen to board the train Thursday with the girl stated before leaving that she was going to San Diego, Cal. Efforts to locate the couple will be continued until the girl is found and returned, according to Mr. Hansen today. The California authorities have been asked to intercept the train and if possible identify and hold the girl until her father can secure her.

EMPEROR JOSEF SINKING FAST

Suffers Relapse During the Night and Has Been Gradually Sinking Since—His Death Is Momentarily Expected.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria-Hungary is reported dying, the end being expected momentarily today. He suffered a relapse during the night and has been gradually sinking, it is said.

ASKS MAYOR'S IMPEACHMENT.



Emil Seidel is the famous socialist Mayor of Milwaukee, Wis. He is charged by a member of the Board of Aldermen with malfeasance in office and his impeachment is asked for in the Common Council. A hearing will be held in the case.

UNIVERSITY IS VICTOR IN FIRST ROUND FOR COIN

Judge Galloway Makes Temporary Injunction Enjoining Filing of Referendum Petitions a Permanent Order.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 21.—The University of Oregon won its fight for the appropriation today, when Judge Galloway made the temporary injunction enjoining the secretary of state from filing the referendum petitions, permanent. The judge held that so many names on the petitions were fraudulent that there was not a sufficient number left to comply with the law. He also says the whole matter is so tainted with fraud that no equity court could attempt to sift the true from the false. He castigated Parkison who circulated the petitions for "7 cents a name" and others guilty of forging or adding fictitious names to the petition. Attorney General Crawford gave notice of appeal.

PACKERS TRIAL TO CONTINUE

Judge Carpenter Denies Motion That Two of the Seven Counts of the Indictments Be Dismissed—Defense Takes Exception to Ruling.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 21.—United States Judge Carpenter in the district court here made it certain that the trial of ten beef packers, indicted for criminal conspiracy under the Sherman law, will continue when he denied a motion by the packers' attorneys that two of the seven counts of the indictments be dismissed. The defense took an exception to the ruling.

The court also denied a motion by the defense to instruct the jury to disregard certain statements made in the opening address of Special Government Prosecutor Wilkerson.

PRESIDENT SIGNS TREATY RESOLUTION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—President Taft returned to the capital from New York at 7:15 o'clock today and immediately after reaching his office signed the joint resolution abrogating the Russian treaty, adopted by both houses of congress.

GANG OF YOUNG OFFENDERS ARE UNDER ARREST

Police Take Five Boys Into Custody and Will Arrest as Many More—Charged With Carrying on Petit Larceny.

GANG IS SAID TO BE REGULARLY ORGANIZED

For Some Time They Have Been Making Trouble—Stencils Stolen From Box Factory.

With five boys under arrest and warrants asked for as many more the police of the city are taking steps to break up a gang of youthful thieves who are said to have been operating steadily in Medford for some months past. The work of bringing the youthful offenders to task is being carried on jointly by Constable Singler and Chief of Police Hittson.

Five boys were arrested Wednesday evening charged with the specific case of stealing brass stencils from the box factory of the Crater Lake Lumber company and selling them to junk dealers. The boys under arrest are Bert Collins, Lloyd Wolgamot, Gifford Reame, Homer and Gerald Reynolds.

The police state that some of the boys have confessed to their pilferings and have implicated several other youngsters. Warrants will be secured this afternoon and served. The boys are said to be very "tough" and have on other occasions been in trouble. Their cases will probably come before the juvenile court and some of them will probably be committed to the reform school.

RICHESON IS RESTING EASILY

Medical Examiner States That Minister Will Not Be Able to Go to trial on January 15, the Date Set for Hearing His Case.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21.—Rev. C. V. T. Richeson, the Baptist minister who mutilated himself yesterday in his prison cell, where he is awaiting trial on the charge of having murdered Miss Avis Linnell, his 19-year-old sweetheart, is resting easily today after a quiet night in the jail hospital.

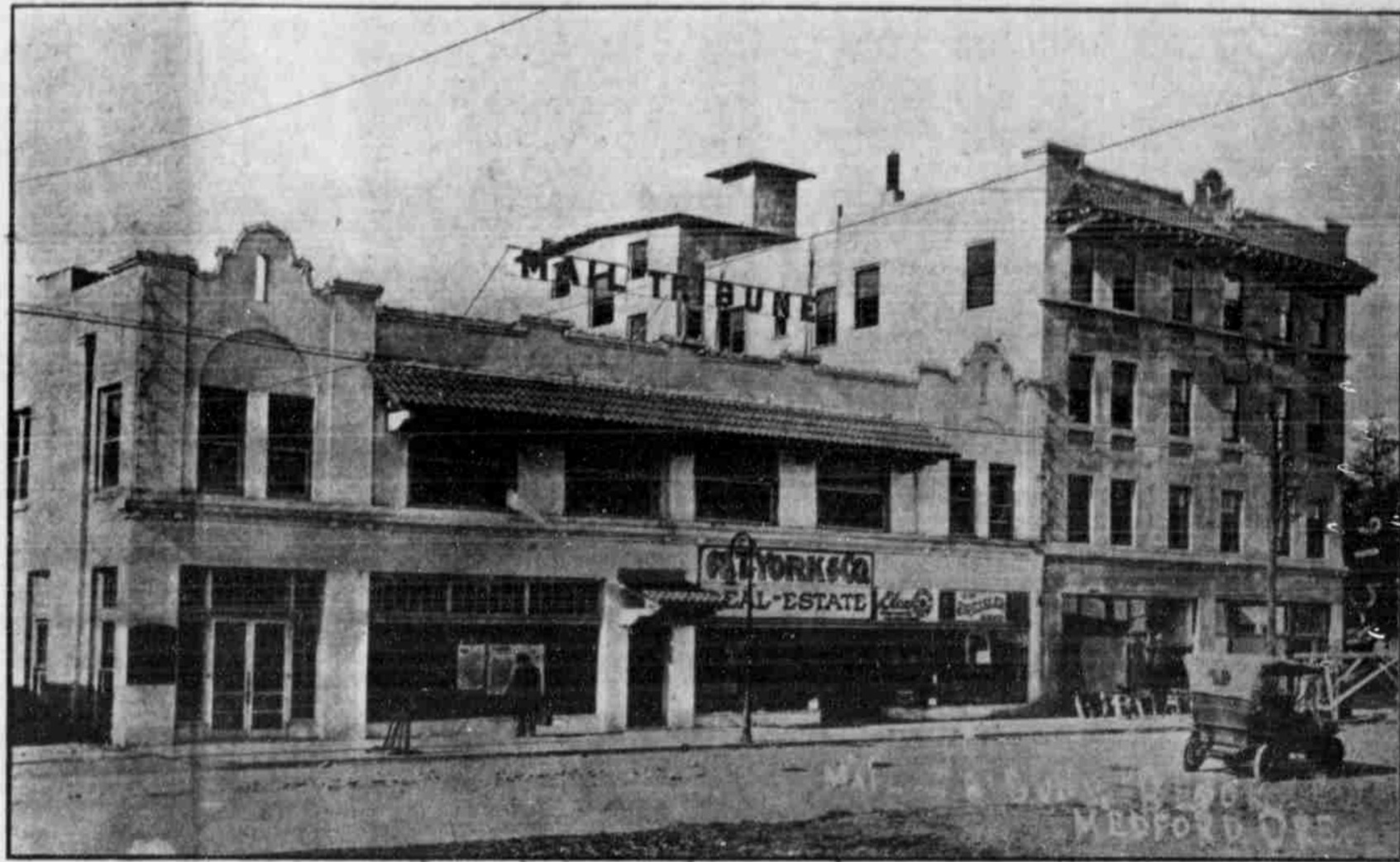
Medical Examiner Leary, who assisted in performing a delicate operation on Richeson after the minister had cut himself near the groin with a jagged piece of tin, declared today that Richeson will be unable to go to trial January 15, although District Attorney Pelletier stated yesterday that the accused clergyman would be called to trial on that date as scheduled.

DETECTIVE BROWNE IS COMPLIMENTED BY WOOD

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 21.—Detective Samuel Browne today received a letter from Major Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, congratulating him on the work he has done in the McNamara case. The letter says:

"I want to extend to you my sincere congratulations on your good work in Los Angeles. It is only a continuance in a much broader and more important field of the work you did in the Philippine islands. Yours success in Los Angeles is very gratifying to me, as it confirms the opinion I had of your ability."

New Year's Edition to Picture Medford's Many Phases of Growth During 1911



This is one of the many illustrations which will be used in the New Year's edition of The Mail Tribune to depict the growth made by Medford during 1911. This cut shows the home of The Mail Tribune on North Fir street, as well as the new Holland hotel, a 51-guestroom structure, which is to be formally opened December 28. The New Year's edition will be replete with illustrations and stories of Medford and the Rogue river development during the year. It will prove an admirable asset in attracting new citizens to the city and settlers to the valley. Take it and let it circulate throughout the nation. Order your extra copies now.

REPUBLIC O. K. IF I AM PRESIDENT, SAYS YUAN SHAI

Wu Refuses to Concede Presidency, Although He States That He Believes Premier Would Be Named If Election, as Is Wanted, Is Held.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 21.—Premier Yuan Shai Kai has offered to concede the establishment of the Chinese republic if he is promised the presidency.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the revolutionary minister of foreign affairs, who is conducting the peace negotiations here with Tang Shao Yi, the imperial envoy, refused to accept recognition of the republic on these terms. But he says that if the premier concedes the republic he will be nominated for the presidency and Wu Tin Fang believes Yuan Shai Kai's election would be certain.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the American Chinese who is credited with having instigated the rebellion but whose claim to this distinction has been denied by Dr. Wu, has left Hong Kong in company with Homer Lea, the military expert. They are bound for Shanghai.

Dr. Sun had been slated for the presidency of the Chinese republic, according to reports reaching here, and from one source it was declared that he had been elected at Nanking. But these reports failed of substantiation and it was even denied by Wu Tin Fang that Sun Yat Sen was connected with the revolution.

Both Dr. Sun and Homer Lea refused to make any statement before leaving Hong Kong, according to dispatches from there.

REHEARING OF CASE DENIED BY COURT

The supreme court has denied a rehearing in the case of Edgar Hafer vs. the Medford & Crater Lake Railroad company. This is a case growing out of the claims of A. A. Davis, which the receiver refused to allow.

One way to get even with people is to pay what you owe.

RUSSIAN GIRL SAYS PARENTS WOULD SELL HER

Declares There Are 600 Girls for Sale in Russian Colony at Los Angeles for an Average Price of \$500 Each.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 21.—In Judge Wilbur's court here little Elsie Navikoff, a pretty Russian girl barely out of the pinafore stage, is on record today with the declaration that in the local Russian colony with a population of 30,000, there are 600 girls for sale at an average price of \$500 each.

Shaking with the intensity of her feelings, Elsie over and over again flung the denials of her own parents and those of other Russian patriarchs back into their teeth. Then, pointing at her aged father, she cried: "You have sold me for \$500 to a man I have never seen! I love an American and he loves me and we will be married just as soon as we can get away from our people."

When her American sweetheart, Rayner Holbrook, a young naval officer, stood beside her, Elsie declared she would not relinquish him for the stranger to whom she swore her parents were trying to sell her.

"Six weeks ago," said the girl, "poor little Sarah Katawa, only 15 years old, was sold to a man she had never seen. Her parents put long dresses on her, and with a white veil on her head, she was sent to the altar. She looks like an old woman now."

Miss Navikoff was arrested for delinquency after she had fled from her own home and taken refuge in that of her sweetheart's mother. In view of the girl's sensational testimony, Judge Wilbur continued the case until January 2, so that a full investigation can be made.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 21.—

Convicts of the Pent Bridge penal settlement who do not care to associate with the "undesirable element" in the prison have formed an exclusive union, boycotting certain prisoners and securing their transfer to other parts of the building.

COMMITTEE IS NAMED TO WORK FOR MINING MEET

Commercial Club Adopts New Set of By-Laws—Committee Named to Look After Establishment of Cannery in the Valley.

The regular monthly meeting of the Commercial club met last evening, at the office of W. T. York & Co. There were two applications for membership, namely, I. C. Bateman and S. A. Kroschel. They were duly elected as members of the club.

A complete set of by-laws was presented by President Colvig. They were read as a whole and then, after some necessary amendments, were read and adopted by sections.

It being reported that the Southern Oregon Mining congress is to hold its next session in the city on the 17th day of January, 1912, therefore, on motion, a committee of 15 members were appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the meeting of this congress.

The committee is as follows: George Putnam, chairman, J. F. Reddy, F. J. Newman, H. C. Garnett, A. E. Reames, W. I. Vawter, J. A. Westerland, R. W. Ruhl, F. W. Carnahan, C. R. Ray, J. H. Carkitt, E. C. Ireland, W. H. Canon, John S. Orth and W. E. Crews.

G. A. Hover, a fruit grower, addressed the meeting on the subject of fruit canning and the importance of having a first class cannery established at Medford. On motion, a committee was appointed by the president to take charge of the subject, and to see if capital cannot be enlisted to consider the matter, and establish such a cannery in the city.

The following were named as the committee: G. A. Hover, chairman, Kirby S. Miller and J. A. Perry. The president announced that a great many people were living and doing business in the city of Medford, who were giving no support whatever to this commercial body, and that the membership committee would undertake a campaign in the near future to secure membership therein, as it is probable that a majority of these people have never been invited to join the club.

Some people's idea of a helping hand is one that is lined with silver.

REV. HOLMES IS SANTA CLAUS, SO SAYS UNCLE SAM

All of the Mail Received From the Kiddies by Postmaster Woodford Addressed to Venerable Saint Is Turned Over to Relief Society.

Rev. A. A. Holmes is Santa Claus; now, what d'ye think o' that? At least he gets Santa Claus' mail from Uncle Sam each day, and Uncle Sam is very, very particular who he gives mail to. But each day Rev. Holmes calls at the postoffice and inquires for mail for Santa Claus, and hardly ever is he disappointed, for much of Santa's mail is addressed to Medford.

In accord with a new ruling of Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general, each postmaster is permitted to turn over to the charitable institutions of the city all letters addressed to Santa Claus, excepting those with return cards on them, when they are returned to the sender. So Postmaster Woodford each day turns over Santa Claus' mail to Rev. Mr. Holmes, as secretary of the City Relief society.

A large number of the letters have been received, some of them from outlying towns, where the kiddies evidently believe that the venerable saint lives in Medford—we don't know, but probably on Mistletoe or Holly street. Each letter will be considered and if from some little tot whom Santa might overlook the relief society will take necessary steps to bring a ray of gladness Christmas day, where otherwise would have been sadness and disappointment.

TOU VELLE HAD BETTER LOOK TO HIS LAURELS

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 21.—Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, has added another discovery to his long list today in his announcement that his famous spineless cactus is not only nutritious and valuable as a fruit, but makes the finest quality of whitewash and paint. The statement was made and explained at length at the convention of the California Growers' association here.