

NOTED AUTHOR AND EXPLORER BUYS TALENT ORCHARD

Edwin J. Dingle, author of the "New Atlas and Gazetteer of China" said to be the largest book in the world, is spending this week in Medford, having recently acquired some orchard land in the Talent district. Aside from his profession as a writer, and explorer, Mr. Dingle, an Irishman by birth, has considerable knowledge of the fruit industry in various parts of the world, and has manifested his faith in the valley by investing here with a view to establishing a residence in Medford in the near future.

Few world-wide travelers have had more thrilling adventures crowded into 29 years of life than has this author, who started out from his home in Devonshire, England, while in his early twenties, having been trained as a geographer. Landing in Shanghai with an English friend, the two started out with the intention to walk across China. After the first 1000 miles, the friend, according to Mr. Dingle, acquired cold feet and turned back, so the latter continued on alone. On the way, he suffered a series of mishaps, including an attack of malaria, sunstroke, and a broken arm, the latter, a result of being kicked by his pony. As a result of his condition he lost his way in the mountains, and after some circuitous maneuvering, happened onto a group of missionaries, who befriended him. His arm was set and his wounds were dressed as he lay near death in a hut in the mountains. One of the missionaries sent a messenger to the British consulate asking that in coffin and preparation for the explorer's funeral be made. So the invalid had the unique experience of viewing his own coffin, a decorated ebony affair, when he arrived in Yunnanfu, seven days after his resurrection. During his illness, the explorer had the inspiration to make a map of that part of China in which he lost his way. This idea developed into that of making a complete map of the entire country, which when perfected, became the standard map of China, used now by all governments of the world. It is also the only illegal map of China in existence. During his 11 years in China, Mr. Dingle wrote continuously for American and European magazines on political and economic conditions in the Orient. He also published two books, "Across China on Foot" and "China's Revolution, 1911 and 1912." During the World War he acted as special war correspondent for Associated Press and other news services. Mr. Dingle states that he is an optimist on the future of China, granted that the Nationalists will be able to maintain a definitely conservative policy and not repeat errors which formerly crept into the governing elements through Communism.

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CHICKEN WOMAN OF SANTA CRUZ IS MURDERED

SANTA CRUZ, Calif., Sept. 27.—(AP) A woman known as Mrs. L. A. Thornewill, well known poultry raiser, was found dead in a pool of blood in the kitchen of her ranch home here early today. Several feet away was a high powered rifle. Investigating officers believe she was murdered. Undersheriff Lowell Roundtree found her palama clad body in the kitchen and the telephone lying on the floor. A few minutes earlier a woman's voice had gasped for help over the telephone and the Santa Cruz telephone operator had notified the sheriff. L. A. Thornewill, who was believed to be the woman's husband told the sheriff he was not married to her although she had used his name. Her name was Cora Meade, Thornewill said. He lives in a house in town while the ranch is on the outskirts of Santa Cruz. Roundtree found a note at the ranch which had presumably been written some time ago. It asked that the "Meade Bicycle company of Birmingham" be notified in case of accident. Although the sheriff could not point to any direct motive for murder, he discounted the suicide theory. He pointed out that the woman could not have crawled more than six feet from the rifle had she shot herself. Thornewill was not held by the police. He admitted he had been to the ranch earlier in the night and said he and the woman had quarreled but that he left her in good spirits. The woman had won many poultry prizes throughout California and was well known at poultry shows and fairs. Authorities are continuing the investigation.

LOEB LOSES SOFT PRISON JOB AS RESULT OF STORY

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—(AP) Richard Loeb, who with Nathan Leopold, Jr., is serving a life sentence for the "thrill murder" of Robb Franks, has lost his "soft job" at the Joliet penitentiary. Loeb has been serving as secretary to an assistant warden. Today he found himself assigned to manual labor in the yards. The order also removed him from his private cell and placed him in the cell block with other prisoners. Early this week Hinton C. Clabaugh, chairman of the state pardons board, said that through an error in commitment papers, both Loeb and Leopold would be eligible to apply for a parole within six years. Clabaugh alluded to Loeb and Leopold as the "magnificent pair" of Joliet, and said they were building up "fine records" for presentation to the pardons board when the time came.

FATHER CONFESSES KILLED DAUGHTER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—(AP) Franklin E. Smith, 59 years old, surrendered to the police late yesterday and confessed that he had strangled his 19-year-old daughter Bessie to death because she refused to prepare him a meal when he returned from his duties as a night watchman at a Washington bank. The homicide occurred yesterday morning and the body of the girl was discovered several hours later by John Steele, a boarder in the Smith home. The father's surrender ended a widespread search. Smith was held for investigation, pending action by a coroner's jury.

COOLIDGE HOPEFUL OF HALTING STRIKE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—(AP) President Coolidge believes that there is still a fair chance that the railroad board of mediation may adjust the dispute in western railroads, arising from a request for increased wages by conductors and trainmen on those carriers. The chief executive understands that the board of mediation is well in touch with the situation and hopeful of a settlement. Should it fail to effect a settlement, Mr. Coolidge will proceed with the terms of the law and appoint an emergency board to investigate and report within 30 days of its appointment on the dispute.

PRESBYTERIANS ENDORSE HOOVER

CAMBRIDGE, Ohio, Sept. 27.—(AP) A resolution endorsing Herbert Hoover for the presidency and opposing the candidacy of Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, the Democratic nominee, was adopted by the Ohio synod of the United Presbyterian church last night before adjournment, church officials announced today. The support of the Republican candidate was based on his "emphatic stand in favor of prohibition."

RED CROSS NEEDS A GREAT DEAL MORE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—(AP) Red Cross headquarters has announced that the West Indies hurricane relief fund is near the million and a half mark. The total is about \$1,437,970. Of this amount \$1,074,775 was reported from the eastern area, \$236,306 from the midwestern area, \$80,236 from the affric area and \$46,653 was contributed from Porto Rico. The Red Cross is asking a minimum of \$5,000,000.

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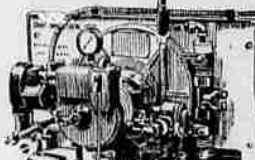
Radio Program KMED

- Mall Tribune-Virgin Station
- Sept. 27—Evening Broadcast 8 to 9 p. m.—Farm Bureau Co. Exchange
 - 9 to 10 p. m.—Modern Plumbing & Sheet Metal Co.
 - September 28
 - 10 to 10:30 a. m.—Southern Oregon Electric Co.
 - 10:30 to 11 a. m.—M. M. Dept Store
 - 11 to 11:30 a. m.—Jacque Lenox, Milliner
 - 11:30 to 12 a. m.—Sanderson Motor Co.
 - 12:30 to 1:30 p. m.—Palmer Music House
 - 6:15 to 6:30 p. m.—Mall Tribune news and markets
 - 8 to 9 p. m.—Realty Board, E. C. Corn.
- Modern Plumbing & Sheet Metal Co. 9:00-9:30 p. m. Sept. 27. Karl Moldrem in violin solos and George Maddox in vocal solos, Mrs. H. C. Williamson, accompanist.
- Just Like Your Eyes—Crum With violin obligato
- My Jean—Cora Roma
- George Maddox
- By the Waters of Minnetonka—Licuance
- Serenade—Dralin
- Karl Moldrem
- The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise—Stetz
- Sylvia—Oley Speaks
- George Maddox
- Hungarian Dance, No. 5—Brahms
- Der Sohn de Halde—Keler Bela
- Karl Moldrem
- Good Night—Hibo and Conrad
- George Maddox

CLAIMS WATER IS TO REPLACE COAL AS POWER SUPPLY

LONDON, Sept. 27.—(AP) A method of using water as fuel, which was quickly challenged by technicians, was submitted to the world's fuel conference here today by Dr. Walter Von Hohenau of Brazil. Dr. Hohenau said he had worked many years on the process and had found that by applying very high vibrations to water he was able to break it up into its constituent elements of hydrogen and oxygen. The hydrogen, he said, could be used as fuel gas the same way as coal gas. The Brazilian scientist claimed that this could be done at such a low cost that it would mean the end of coal as fuel. He said his process was based on original research work done by Sir Oliver Lodge. One of the technical secretaries of the conference asked Dr. Hohenau to prove that he could create energy, referring to the fact that some kind of power would be needed to set up the vibrations. He said the conference would welcome

fuller information regarding the experiments. Coffee Crop Damaged SAO PAULO, Brazil, Sept. 27.—(AP)—The local commercial association today issued a statement that the dry season in the coffee region of Sao Carlos, Araraquara and Mouraens is causing alarm. A possibility of damage to the future crop was indicated.



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