

PROFESSOR CONFESSES HIX CRIME

Snook Breaks Under Grilling
—Tells Story Between
Sobs—Struck Ohio Co-
Ed With Hammer During
Quarrel—Cut Throat With
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Suffering.

COLEMBUS, O., June 21.—(AP)—The confession of Dr. James H. Snook, 49, dentist Ohio State university professor, that he killed 25-year-old Theora Hix, his pupil-paramour, was ready for the county grand jury today, just one week from the day the girl was beaten and slashed to death. He killed her, he said, because she threatened the life of his wife and child.

The confession, announced at midnight by County Prosecutor John J. Chester, Jr., was held for the grand jury with Chester's prediction that a first degree murder indictment would be returned before evening.

Bringing to an end 23 hours of questioning, Snook lost his nerve and sobbing like a child, told the prosecutor and police heads that he was ready to "tell everything."

The confession that followed declared that he had struck the girl on the head with a hammer during a violent quarrel in his automobile parked at a lonely place near here on the night of June 12, and that realizing her skull was fractured, he took out his pen knife and slit her throat "to relieve her suffering."

The quarrel, he said, followed the girl's protests against his plan to leave the city over the week-end with his family and her threat to kill his wife and 2-year-old daughter if he went. As the altercation became more bitter, the confession said, Miss Hix reached for her handbag, in which at times she carried a small pistol that Dr. Snook had given her. Then followed the struggle in which Dr. Snook said he snatched up the hammer in the car and struck her on the head.

"She continued (to fight) desperately and an increasing number of blows of increasing force were necessary to stop her," he said. "Realizing then, no doubt, that her skull was fractured and to relieve her suffering, I severed her jugular vein with my pocket knife."

After he was convinced the girl was dead, Dr. Snook said he "proceeded to pick up the things that had been scattered during the struggle and hurriedly left the scene of the struggle, leaving her body at that point."

Dr. Snook said he then went home, tossing the girl's handbag in the Seto river as he drove over a bridge. The gun, he said, was not in the purse.

SAMS VALLEY GRANGE PROMOTING 4TH JULY JOINT GRANGE PICNIC

SAMS VALLEY, Ore., June 21, (Special)—At Saturday's Grange meeting a picnic committee was appointed to confer with other granges on the matter of a joint Fourth of July picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Chase and children of Hix are spending this week visiting Mr. Chase's sister, Mrs. Orlin Davis, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Straus returned Saturday afternoon from a week's attendance at the State Grange. Mr. Straus was present at the local Grange Saturday evening and gave a most wonderful report of the work accomplished during his attendance at the state meeting.

Miss Naomi Magruder began a six weeks' course at the Ashland normal Monday.

The stockmen of our precinct have taken as seed their cattle to the summer range in the Diamond lake vicinity.

Young people's meeting was well attended Sunday evening and a president was elected. Mr. Hart of the Table Rock district is the president, and Miss Ruth Frink was elected secretary to serve in Miss Bessie Fridenburg's place, she being the resident of Central point now.

Citizens and friends of Loren Gregory in this district were shocked and grieved to learn of his sudden death Tuesday morning. Deep sympathy is felt for the wife and children.

JOHN GATEY FAMILY OF WILLOW SPRINGS MOVE TO NEW HOME

WILLOW SPRINGS, Ore., June 21.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. John Gatey moved from their home here in the "Pine Grove" to the Wm. Stewart ranch, across Bear creek, which they have rented. Their neighbors here regret their departure but wish them all kinds of luck in their new home.

Miss Willa Rheinbold has again accepted the position at Crater Lake lodge that she had last year and expects to leave for the lake about the 29th of this month.

Miss Grace Ivanhoe of Medford has been a house guest at the H. A. Dubuque home for the past week.

James Harris returned home last week from Albany college and at once went to work at the Weaver Service Station in Medford.

George and Harry Elden are working in the box factory at Medford, at the same job they had last summer.

Carl Haver, who had his tonsils removed last week, is making a very satisfactory recovery. Roland and Carl have just returned home after the close of school at O. S. U. and will be here for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hett are expecting Mr. Hett's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hett and their daughter of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Hett are enthusiastic on a visit and their daughter will remain here during their absence.

GRANGE MEETING IN SAMS VALLEY SCHOOL TONIGHT

TABLE ROCK, Ore., June 21.—(Special)—The Sams Valley Grange will give an interesting program of entertainment tonight (June 21) at the Sams Valley school house.

A small admittance charge will be made at the door and following the program ice cream will be sold.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Tuttle were guests of Dr. Snook at an early morning breakfast at Hotel Medford last Sunday morning. Dr. Snook, whose home is in Oakland, Cal., is an uncle of Mrs. Tuttle, and had arrived Saturday evening by airplane.

Our little community was thrown under a pall of gloom by the passing of one of its best loved citizens, Loren Gregory, whose death occurred only Tuesday morning. A man whose honesty and integrity were always above question, an energetic, cheerful worker with generous, accommodating ways that had won him a place in the hearts of all who had met up with him. In community as well as private life when some hard task, needed to be done he could always be counted on, but always keeping in the background, never seeking any praise or notoriety. The widow and children, who are bereft of the guidance of a kind and loving father, have the deepest sympathy of the whole community.

Ralph Wilson has sold his wheat ranch in Kansas of 500 or 600 acres for \$29,000. Mr. Wilson came from Kansas to Table Rock vicinity three years ago.

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Our Fifth Anniversary Sale comes to an end Saturday. Come and Take Advantage of Hundreds of Specials at DRASTIC REDUCTIONS.

Duponts Fabricoid
Kitchen Aprons
25c

A strong, serviceable all purpose apron, worth regularly 39c each.

Values to 98c
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All guaranteed absolutely
FAST COLORS

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Hundreds of Fine
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NOW HALF PRICE

An endless variety from which to choose. Every wanted style and coloring! Phenomenal values! An unequalled opportunity to secure authentic spring and summer wear!

A Great Sale Not to Be Overlooked

A Saturday Feature Event

\$1.95 Daytime Frocks \$1.49

Just in! Purchased as a last day feature of our "Anniversary Sale." Every garment absolutely fast color and in beautiful prints. New and clever stylings, both sleeveless and with sleeves. These new printed frocks for daytime wear are exceptionally well made, and size range 16 to 44, properly cut and perfect fitting. With the use of organdies these dresses have been styled for wear at any time, on the street or at home. A Saturday feature item special at **\$1.49**

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Close-out On All Men's
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75c Men's Pure Silk **59c** pair
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Limit 6 to a customer

SPECIAL LOT

Hundreds of yards of beautiful
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85c Quality heavy natural Pongee Silk, yard **49c**
\$2.85 Quality Printed Flat Crepe Silks, yard **\$1.98**
39c Quality Mercerized Batiste, fast color, **29c**
30c Extra fine Printed Cambric **26c**
\$2.98 Rayon Damask Draperies, fast colors **\$1.98**
98c Quality Rayon Curtain Gauze, yard **79c**
\$1.25 Rayon Panties, lace trimmed, each **79c**
\$2.25 Rayon Brassiere top combinations **\$1.59**
\$12.50 "Oregon" Virgin Wool Blankets **\$10.50**
\$1.95 Wash Dresses and Indian Head Aprons **98c**
24-inch Hemmed Red Star Diapers, dozen **\$1.69**
Big full coverage fancy Rubber Aprons **49c**
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To \$4.75 Quality All-Wool Fabrics **\$1.98**
A chance to save more than half on skirts or jackets, yard

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All Fast-Color Sport Shades and Tan, yard

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Pure Wool, Navy Grey, with Dark Blue Stripe

\$1.98 Quality Printed Silks
\$1.29 yard

Pure silk, (no rayon) 40 inches wide, a quality suitable for all sorts of wear. A real special at **\$1.29 a Yard**

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Made of mercerized threads, grouped and braided; a lasting good quality rug suitable for bedroom or bathroom.

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