

CULT FOLK ARE KNOWN IN OREGON

Foster Parents of Willa Rhoads Once Lived in Klamath — 'White Messiah' Was Formerly Portland Bellboy — Payette, Idaho, Pianist's Death in Sect Investigated.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 10.—(AP)—While Los Angeles city and county authorities continued their investigation into the mystery doings of the Divine Order of the Royal Arm of the Great Eleven, weird cult which flourished in the Santa Susana Hills, Portland newspapers today unearthed new revelations here in connection with the cult, exposure of which already has involved dozens of former Portland residents.

Major new sensations brought to light here within the past 24 hours are as follows:

Harlene Satoris, former Portland pianist, and daughter of a Payette, Idaho, couple, is the second girl whose death while a member of the cult has aroused Los Angeles authorities.

A prosperous, aged east side business man and his wife, parents of the cult leader, disappeared shortly after the cult was founded. Mrs. May Otis Blackburn, 69, seers, promoted one of the first Portland-made motion pictures, placing her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Welland Rixie, in a leading role. Mother and daughter are under \$5000 bond in Los Angeles on a fraud charge.

Ward Blackburn, so-called "white messiah" of the cult and purported youthful husband of the aged seeress, was for many years an employe of a club here as bell-boy.

Plurality of the most tragic victim of the cult, yet unearthed, Willa Rhoads, 19, whose body was found under a Venice, Cal., cottage, was established through investigation which led to Klamath Falls, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rhoads, who adopted Willa when she was two years old and before they moved from Merrill, Ore., to Portland, were asserted to have participated in another weird burial, that of a 9-year-old son of their own.

Ward Blackburn and his seeress wife are also step-sister and step-brother.

When Miss Satoris died, her death was made known, but Los Angeles authorities have been unable to locate her grave. The girl came to Portland from Idaho and was employed in a downtown music store. Her ability at the piano attracted much attention. Friends said she later began acting strangely and developed unusual beliefs and tendencies. Then she disappeared. It was many months before she was found and before she left the city figured in a suicide attempt, slashing her wrists. Her parents returned her to Payette, but several years later friends heard she had gone to Los Angeles after being released from an institution.

Adopted Child.
Klamath Falls investigators said Willa Rhoads was the daughter of Ivy Eaton and an unnamed man of prominence in the south-

ern Oregon city. Mr. and Mrs. Rhoads adopted the baby girl in 1908 when Willa's mother was 15 years old, it was said.

Pioneer residents of Merrill, Ore., where Rhoads operated a saw mill, built a church and engaged in other civic activities, said Mr. and Mrs. Rhoads buried their 9-year-old son in the front yard of their home.

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blackburn, mother and step-father of the aged seeress, began an inquiry into their whereabouts. Blackburn, formerly a merchant at Woodlawn, suburb, is the reputed father of the step-daughter's present husband, Ward Blackburn. The aged father is said by relatives to have sold his commercial enterprise for \$30,000 and joined the cult in Los Angeles.

BUSINESS INSTITUTE PLANNED IN ASHLAND

ASHLAND, Ore., Oct. 10.—(Special)—Ashland is to hold a better business institute this fall under the auspices of the commercial division of the Chamber of Commerce. The institute will be held under the direction of the school of Commerce of the Oregon State School of Agriculture. Dean Maris of the school will make arrangements for a two-day institute that will be held so as to allow speakers to leave Corvallis on Sunday and return to the campus by Wednesday.

Dean Maris suggests that the institute be made open for all of Jackson county, circularizing every town.

The program as sketched will include salesmanship, advertising, stock buying, turnover and the most modern methods of merchandising.

JACKSONVILLE BOY HURT IN CAR CRASH

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Oct. 10.—(Special)—George Heuners was quite badly cut about the head in an auto accident which occurred a mile east of town Monday, when John Schump, driving a Jewett sedan, collided with a car driven by Ernest Heuners. Both cars were badly wrecked.

KLAMATH IS TOLD OF ASHLAND BIBLE SCHOOL

ASHLAND, Ore., Oct. 10.—(Special)—The history of the Ashland Bible school was given to interested people in Klamath Falls on Sunday evening by Mrs. Grace E. Andrews, who has been the instructor in the Ashland school since the organization of the plan. Mrs. Andrews was invited to speak in Klamath Falls by the united church organizations of the town, as they plan to introduce a similar course in their city.

JACKSONVILLE REBEKAH CARD PARTY ON FRIDAY

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Oct. 10.—(Special)—The Rebekah ladies are sponsoring a series of card parties to be held at the I. O. O. F. hall, the first of which will be given Friday evening, Oct. 11th. A small fee will be charged and light refreshments will be served. Proceeds will go to repair and paint the I. O. O. F. building.

The Rebekah cooked food sale was quite successful, the proceeds netting \$3.00. They wish to thank the Jacksonville people for their assistance.

Less than 2500 stars can be seen with the unaided eye on the clear night from the northern hemisphere.

MacDonald to Greet Friends Who Nursed Him During Severe Illness



When Ramsay MacDonald was ill in Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia two years ago, he occupied the room shown in the circle. Dr. Solomon Solis-Cohen (inset) was in charge.

By John H. Reitinger (Associated Press Staff Writer)
PHILADELPHIA.—(AP) Instead of being the honored guest, as he generally will be wherever he travels in the United States, Ramsay MacDonald will be the host to a group of men and women when he visits Philadelphia October 16.

Laying aside the cares of the empire for the moment, the head of the British government will make a visit of appreciation and obligation to greet, and again express his gratitude to, the doctors and others who nursed him back to health here two years ago.

Mr. MacDonald was a very sick man when he came to Philadelphia to spend two hours April 22, 1927. His condition was so dangerous that he was removed to the Jefferson hospital, where he remained nearly three weeks. It is publicly recorded for the first time that seven specialists examined him, one of them coming from Baltimore twice, for that purpose.

Your Credit Record Is Your Shadow and Always Follows You, Says Prompt Pay Bill

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properly without the support of the other. 'Charge it' is the most abused phrase in the English tongue. It is heard so often that after a while it seems to mean nothing but get the goods and pay for them when you feel like it.

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"When a person abuses his credit he throws away his reputation, and writes a record that may confront him some day when he doesn't want it to. Reputation is the public estimation of you—character is what you are, and the way in which a person uses his credit helps determine his character."

GATES ELECTED DEVELOPMENT GROUP LEADER

Northern California-Southern Oregon Assn. Names Officers at Crescent City Meeting—Harbor Assistance Is Outlined.

At the first annual meeting of the board of directors of the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association, held in Crescent City, Cal., October 7, 1929, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, C. E. Gates; vice-president, Josephine county, Isaac Best; vice-president, Del Norte county, T. E. Peacock; vice-president, Klamath county, C. R. Williams; vice-president, Jackson county, Irving E. Vining; treasurer, Sam H. Baker, Grants Pass, and manager, A. H. Bawell.

Committees as follows will be formed immediately by the president, with two representatives from each county on each committee.

- 1. Traffic and transportation.
- 2. Resources.
- 3. Agriculture.
- 4. Harbor development.

The purpose of these committees will be to make a complete survey of the matter they have in hand and report same to the board of directors so that a program of work along these four lines can be put into action immediately.

Tentative arrangements were made towards the formation of a program for obtaining further appropriations for Crescent City harbor, but these will not be completed until after the hearing, scheduled to take place before the board of army engineers in Crescent City October 25th.

The report of the financial campaign at present being conducted by the organization showed that the quotas set for Del Norte and Josephine counties have been reached.

The following resolution, to be sent to the mayor and council of Crescent City and the Del Norte county board of supervisors, was adopted:

Resolution.
Whereas, the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association is an organization representing the counties of Josephine, Jackson and Klamath, Oregon, and Del Norte, California, and

Whereas, the board of directors has deemed it wise and expedient to lend its influence and effort to the advancement of the Crescent City harbor project, which is the outlet for northern California and southern Oregon, and

Whereas, your honorable body will no doubt be asked for permits or franchises for the right to construct docks, wharves, or piers on the city waterfront, therefore be it

Resolved, that the directors of the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association, at their annual meeting held at Crescent City on Monday, October 7th, 1929, representing the counties of Del Norte, California, Josephine, Jackson and Klamath counties, Oregon, for the purpose of aiding and assisting in the development of harbor facilities at Crescent City, California, and the furtherance of rail and truck transportation to southern Oregon, would recommend that a joint meeting be held of the board of supervisors of Del Norte county and the city council of Crescent City, California, for the outlining of territory to be embraced in a Port of Crescent City, and that such steps be taken as are necessary for the formation of said port district.

Also that harbor facilities be conserved and adequately handled and that such terminal ground and necessary connections with the port be reserved for contemplated railroads.

Be it further resolved, that the board of directors of the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association is opposed to any private control being given to harbor facilities at Crescent City, California, and that a plan feasible for such harbor facilities be prepared and submitted to the U. S. board of army engineers at the hearing to be held in Crescent City on October 25th, 1929.

California's orange crop would fill a train of box cars extending from Boston to New York and six miles beyond.

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