

Lemuel Wilson's Death Further Thins Ranks of Early Indian Fighters

The death of Lemuel T. Wilson, known affectionately by literally thousands of friends as "Lem," who died at his home in Jacksonville Saturday, further thins the ranks of the fast passing Indian fighters. He was with General N. A. Miles in 1874, in the panhandle district of Texas, and served as a scout in the spasmodic Indian warfare that went on in that district for many years, when the Indians escaped from their reservation and fought stubbornly to halt the advance of the white buffalo hunters.

Lemuel T. Wilson.

In the fall of 1933, the Mail Tribune reprinted a series of articles from the Pampa (Texas) News, dealing with some of the more exciting adventures of Lem Wilson's life. One of the most stirring accounts, related in the words of Wilson himself, told of a single-handed encounter with an Indian chief, "Whizzing Arrow," near Adobe Wells, Texas:



Lemuel T. Wilson.

"Water was very scarce and in the afternoon I went to the well to get water. I heard him to it and I took his scalp. It may have been against military orders, but when I was about 10 years old, back in Iowa, we got word that the Indians had killed and scalped my favorite uncle, and I promised my grandmother that when I grew to be a man I would go west and kill an Indian to avenge Uncle Jim, and I had to take his scalp. I was sure I had killed, so I took his scalp."

His experience in the Indian warfare included such exciting incidents as hiding in the brush while 400 hostile bucks singled by within 100 yards; eating raw buffalo meat because he was afraid to start a fire and bring the Indians swarming about him; fording the swollen waters of the Washita river at flood time, to carry a dispatch for aid to his army headquarters, and countless other thrilling exploits.

At the time that the 400 Indians rode by so close to him, he and another scout were carrying a message to general headquarters. The Indian party passed them up, but came across the detachment of the army which the two had just left. Furious fighting ensued, during which many of the redmen were killed. On the death belt of one of the warriors was hanging what was taken as mute testimony that Wilson and his companion had been slain—two white scalps corresponding in every detail to the heads of Wilson and his friend. They were reported as dead, and it was not until months later, when they reported back to their commandant, that the story was disproved. The scalps were proven to be those from another detachment.

One of his favorite stories had to do with the time he refused to obey the orders of a superior officer, and although he incurred the wrath of the demented, he saved the life, not only of the officer, but also of the entire company. The group, including about 25 men, came upon a large Indian war camp, directly in their line of march back from a scouting trip to their base of operations.

The commanding officer insisted on riding into the camp, and relying upon the element of surprise to win through to the other side with a minimum loss of time. He gave orders to that effect, which Wilson refused to obey. Part of the detachment started to follow the officer, some remained and elected to follow the scout. The commanding officer had not gone far, however, before he realized his judgment was at fault, and he ordered his section of the party to follow Wilson, who at that time was only 25 years of age.

In an early life of wild excitement, nevertheless he gained experience and calm which stood him in good stead the rest of his life. Always an advocate of peace, he fought only for those things he believed to be right. The passing of "Lem" Wilson is a page in history everyone will be glad to turn.

Wesley Leaguers To Give Program At Church Tonight

Final rehearsals for the program to be presented tonight at the Methodist Episcopal church by Wesley Leaguers, were held last night with definite indications of a good show.

The program will be opened with a duet concerning Institute, by Joyce Benish and Luella Corn. Then will follow the presentation of Little Nell in a humorous style. An extremely hilarious impersonation of an opera star will be given and impersonator to be announced at the show.

There will be several good musical selections, including solos by Prof. Cameron Marshall, and violin numbers by Bob Taylor. A comical skit, "The Furniture Factory" is made even more comical by the arrangement the leaguers have given it.

Of special interest to men will be an electrical demonstration given by Leo Taylor. Climax of the program will be the production of "Who Says Can't?" with a cast of talented leaguers. A reading will be given by Mrs. E. C. Corn, who is well known for her enjoyable work.

The curtain will rise promptly at 8 o'clock. The program is being presented for the purpose of swelling the Institute fund.

Kabeles Leave On Few Weeks' Trip To Northern Cities

The Rev. and Mrs. Geo. P. Kabele left Tuesday morning for a vacation for several weeks to points north, on the coast, to attend a Lutheran Brotherhood convention of all Lutheran bodies represented in Oregon, except the Missouri synod, at Salem, July 13 and Silverton, July 14, and to Seattle to visit the Rev. H. R. Allen family. Mrs. Allen being their daughter.

Dr. Kabele will return in time to conduct the union service in Zion Lutheran church, Sunday evening, Aug. 4th, and the KMED morning devotionals Aug. 5 to 10 inclusive. His son, Martin G. Kabele, a senior in the Chicago Lutheran Theological seminary, will regularly supply the pulpit of Zion Lutheran, during his father's absence, and will be ready to answer calls for pastoral service.

Next Sunday he will begin a series of studies in comparative religions, and the teachings of the various cults on the important scriptural doctrines, in the adult Bible class in the Sunday school meeting at 10 a. m. each Sunday. All interested are invited to come not only to the 10:35 a. m. church services, but also to these class meetings. Dr. Kabele announced last Sunday.

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Society and Clubs

Iowans Spend Week As Guests In Medford

Guests in Medford last week, when vacationists and visitors were the incentive of much entertaining, included Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Robinson and daughter, Charlene, of Waterloo, Ia., and Miss Hanlin of Williams, Ia., who spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McDonald of 710 Park street.

Mrs. Robinson is Mrs. McDonald's sister, as is Miss Hanlin. They left Sunday en route to their homes in the east, planning to visit San Francisco for several days at the Earl Hanlin and Cleo Hanlin homes.

Ashland Summer Guests Spend Week End In Medford

Among the week-end guests who were entertained in this city were Mrs. C. P. Fraley and small son and Miss Ladine Shattuck, all of Oakland, Cal., who are spending the summer as guests in Ashland at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fraley.

Mrs. Sinclair Kerby-Miller Guest at Porter J. Neff Home

Mrs. Porter J. Neff has as her house guest at her home in Highcroft addition Mrs. Sinclair Kerby-Miller of Columbia, Mo., who arrived in Medford last week with Mr. Kerby-Miller and will be a Medford visitor for a short time. Mr. Kerby-Miller and Mr. Neff motored to Portland Sunday to attend to business in that city.

Albert Forgeys and Mrs. Rose Frost Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Forgey and family of Vancouver, accompanied by Mrs. Rose Frost and son of Portland are guests in this city this week of Mrs. Forgy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bullock of Columbus avenue. They will return to their homes Thursday.

Miss Fredenburg Ends Vacation at Butte Falls

After spending her vacation at Butte Falls as guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fredenburg, Miss Ernestine Fredenburg of San Francisco left last night by stage for her home in the Bay City. She is with the U. S. forest service offices there.

H. L. Early of Cincinnati Guest of George M. Roberts

H. L. Early of Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived in Medford this week to be guest for a time at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George M. Roberts of Crown Hill.

Another guest at the Roberts home this summer will be Mrs. Roberts' nephew, Don Early, also of Cincinnati, who is expected to arrive tomorrow morning by air, accompanying Miss Dorothy Roberts, who is returning home from the east. She has spent the past six months as guest at the Early home in Cincinnati.

Guest Mrs. Karl Janouch Feted During Medford Visit

A guest in Medford this week who has been entertained by several during her short stay is Miss Inez L. Oakes of Tulsa, Okla., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Karl Janouch. She was the honor guest at a party given at Lake of the Woods and at several charming events at the homes of friends.

Miss Oakes will be the honoree tomorrow evening at a dancing party given by Mrs. Janouch at the Town club. Invitations have been extended to 20 couples.

Dr. and Mrs. Ruddy Guests at Howard Home

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Ruddy of Los Angeles and their young son are the house guests this week of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Howard. They plan to stay in the valley about three weeks, visiting at the Howard home, and will also make a short stay at Prospect. From there they will go to Diamond Lake for a week's fishing.

Mrs. Robert Maentz Entertains Group Guests

Mrs. Robert Maentz was an informal hostess this week at a swimming party and barbecue given at the Geo. M. Roberts home on Crown Hill. There were 14 guests invited for the evening.

Rains-Dotson Wedding License Issued Grants Pass

Word was received here today from Grants Pass that a marriage license has been issued in that city for Archie Marshall Rains and Maybell Margaret Dotson. Both are residents of Central Point.

Hi-Triangle Society Will Meet This Evening

Hi-Triangle society of the First Christian church will meet this evening at the recreational hall at 8 o'clock. It was announced today. The program will be directed by the newly elected officers. All young people interested in missions are welcome.

JAMES A. MAYS DIES AT TALENT

James A. Mays died at his home west of Talent, Ore., July 8, 1935, after an illness of 18 days. He was born at Johnson City, Tenn., June 23, 1875, and had been a resident of Oregon for 50 years, 22 years of that time in Jackson county, in the Talent district.

James A. Mays was married to Essie Centers, August 5, 1904, at Jacksonville, Ore. One daughter, Ida Ruth, was born to the union. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

He was a man of fine character and will be mourned by a host of friends besides his family. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Ida E. Davis Barley of Santa Cruz, Cal.

Funeral services will be held at the Perl Funeral Home, Thursday at 2 p. m. Rev. Brownrigg of Phoenix officiating. Interment in the Medford I. O. O. F. cemetery.

'LUCKY 13' MINE TRIAL DATE SET

Suit of George M. Roberts and others as stockholders in the "Lucky 13" mining claim against W. E. (Judd) Hittson for an accounting and adjudication of title on the property will be heard Monday, July 22. The trial date was set by Circuit Judge Wimberly of Douglas county yesterday, following the overruling of a motion for a continuance until after September 16 next, when a suit involving the claims is set for trial in the Siskiyou county, California, superior court.

LIBBY LAUGHS AT DANGER



Libby Holman, former Broadway torch singer, scoffed at reports she had put her two-year-old son, Christopher Reynolds, under guard against kidnappers at Ogunquit, Me., as she appeared for her debut into drama. She attributed the presence of guards near her cottage as the "usual servants, of course." Her son is heir to the tobacco fortune. (Associated Press Photo)

Upward of \$50,000 is involved in the action. The plaintiff alleges that Hittson removed gold from the property without authority and shipped it to the mint in San Francisco and received payments.

The defense claimed that matters connected with the California suit also were pertinent in the Oregon case.

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CLOUDBURSTS ADD TO DEVASTATION EAST'S SEABOARD

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ious violence. Traffic and communications were disrupted. Buildings were damaged.
A storm of tornadic proportions struck the little town of Wheeler, Mont., causing death to two, serious injury to nine.
Forty railroad washouts, death to two, and extensive crop damage followed twisters, hail and cloudbursts in western Canada. Twenty families were homeless.



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