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## CHARGE AGAINST INFANT HOME DISPROVED

### Autopsy Shows Baby Was Not Murdered as Was Reported

NEW YORK, May 14.—Charges that Agnes Toohy, 18 months old, was held by the heels and dashed against a wall at a baby hospital conducted by Mrs. Helen Giesen-Volk have collapsed as a result of an autopsy which followed exhumation of the body.

The attack occurred the day before the child died, according to the uncorroborated testimony of a nurse but no signs of physical injury were found on the body yesterday.

An autopsy is yet to be performed on the body of William Winter, one month old who also died at the baby home and whose body also has been exhumed.

Mrs. Volk is under arrest on a charge of baby substitution and violation of health code.

Health department records have disclosed that forty-four babies died at the two establishments maintained by her since January 1, 1918.

### M. BLENDALL PLEADS GUILTY; FINED \$100

M. Blendall, arrested last Saturday night at Kono, on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor, thought better of his plea of not guilty and before Justice of the Peace J. O. Hamaker, yesterday pleaded guilty and was fined \$100 and costs.

Blendall was taken to Bonanza Monday to enter his plea. At that time he pleaded not guilty.

### DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Ramona Riganaty are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, weighing 8 1/2 pounds, born to the couple at the home of Mrs. Riganaty's sister, Mrs. Ida Riganaty, on Sunday, May 10. The child has been named Julia Romona. Riganaty has been employed for several years at the Algoma Lumber company.

## DEFUNCT BANK PURCHASER OF SIEMENS MILL

### Price Bid is \$6,000; First State Protects Mortgage on Property

For the sum of \$6000, the First States & Savings bank, defunct, has purchased the Saddle Mountain Lumber company, 40 miles east of Klamath Falls, it was announced today by the sheriff's office.

The bankrupt bank, through the state banking department, was forced to protect mortgages held against the mill. When the mortgages were foreclosed, the bank bid in on the holdings, and so far the first time, came into absolute ownership of the mill property. Three mortgages are held against the Saddle Mountain Lumber company, one for \$27,000, one for \$17,000 and a third for \$10,000.

The public sale of the mill, did not include timber holdings of the company. These will be sold at another foreclosure sale in the near future it was said.

### GANONG HERE

District Attorney William Ganong arrived in the city shortly after noon today for a brief visit with his family from the veterans' hospital at Walla Walla. He was met at the train in Ashland by Mrs. Ganong, who drove him over the highway to their home.

The district attorney will be here for about a week for a visit with his family and attending to urgent matters in the district attorney's office before returning to Walla Walla.

Although tired out from his trip, Mr. Ganong has shown great improvement and expects to be able to return home permanently within a short time.

## Mother Saved From Injury By Daughter

Presence of mind of Miss Alicia Marie Davenport, aged 19, prevented her mother from being struck down by an automobile and saved herself from serious and perhaps fatal injury last night at 9 o'clock on south Sixth street.

Mrs. Marie G. Davenport and her daughter, Alicia were walking south on south Sixth street toward the fair grounds, when a car driven by James Ezell, coming from behind threatened to run over both.

Miss Davenport gave her mother a sudden push, which sent her out of the path of the oncoming machine, and at the same time threw herself into the air. The machine struck Miss Davenport and threw her violently to one side of the road. She is suffering from severe bruises and shock.

Miss Davenport was subjected to a further examination at a local hospital this afternoon to ascertain whether or not she is suffering from broken bones.

Mr. Ezell, last night, took Mrs. Davenport and her daughter to their home, where they were treated by a doctor. He is reported to have said that at the time of the accident, he was using his dim lights and could not see the two women in the path of his machine.

"We could not see Mr. Ezell's machine," Mrs. Davenport said, "because the lights were so dim that the rays did not attract our attention. My daughter saved me from injury and herself from being more seriously hurt. By jumping into the air just before the car struck her, she avoided being crushed underneath the wheels. We were walking along the highway just off the pavement at the time of the accident."

The Ezell car was traveling at a moderate pace when the accident occurred.

### KELLEY AT GRANTS PASS

C. C. Kelley, division engineer of the state highway department is spending several days in Josephine and Jackson counties, inspecting state highway maintenance and construction work in progress.

## MILLS ADDITION SCHOOL TO HAVE NEW CLASS ROOM

Increase of population in the Mills Addition district with its consequent demand for increased facilities of the public school in the section, impelled the city school board last night to authorize the construction of a new room at the Mills Addition school house during the summer months.

The new class room, will adequately take care of the larger enrollment, it was thought.

Although unable to authorize construction of play sheds for the new Central school, because of insufficient funds available under the original bond issue, the school board are determined to hold another school election for the purpose of asking the taxpayers of school district number 1 to authorize a further bond issue to finance the play sheds. It would be impossible to hold the election until after July 1, it was pointed out. At the present time, the school district is bonded up to the limit, set by law. However on July 1, some school bonds will be called, which will give the school board the right to hold another school bond election.

## FOUR HILL LINE SURVEY OUTFITS NOW IN KLAMATH

If a line were to be drawn from each Hill Line survey crew in Klamath to the next crew, the geometrical figure which would result, would be a very lop-sided rectangle.

Four crews, sent by the Northern line interests are now at work in Klamath county. One crew is at Bonanza, another on the Geary ranch northeast of the city, a third on the Maurice Johnson ranch near Crescent and a fourth in the Silver Lake country.

The work of the survey crews is being carried on quietly and quickly. After securing necessary information in Klamath Falls, the railroad engineers set their crews to work with quickness and despatch that indicated much forethought and planning before the crews arrived in Klamath.

## GODDARD GETS WARM PRAISE FROM FARMERS

### Veto of Strahorn Franchise Resolution is Heartily Commended

Letters of commendation began pouring in today on Mayor Fred R. Goddard for the firm stand he took yesterday in again vetoing the Strahorn franchise resolution as adopted by the city council last Monday night.

That the Klamath Falls executive has the interests of the farmers as well as the people of Klamath Falls at heart in thus preventing the bottling up of the city by the Southern Pacific interests, is the tenor of the several letters.

### The letters follow:

MALIN COMMERCIAL CLUB  
Malin, Oregon,  
May 14, 1925  
Dr. F. R. Goddard, Mayor,  
Klamath Falls, Oregon,  
Dear Sir:

The Malin Commercial Club takes this opportunity to commend your action as mayor of Klamath Falls in delaying action upon granting franchises to the Oregon, California and Eastern Railway. The city of Klamath Falls should not hastily enter into any agreement or carelessly grant franchises of great possible future value to the city without first ascertaining what use or disposition may be made of such franchises and which may in the future seriously handicap or embarrass the city in its development.

As a compromise we would suggest that the railroads now entering Klamath Falls and any which may later build into that city be required to construct and maintain jointly a union station to be used by all these railroads.

Very truly yours,  
F. M. TROUT,  
President.

From Lassen County  
"Mayor Fred R. Goddard,  
Dear Sir:—

On behalf of the people of Lassen county, who need further and competitive construction so that they may be able to develop and market the immense natural resources of that country, I have to thank you for your efforts to prevent the bottling up of the key city of Klamath Falls, which we believe would affect not only Klamath Basin, but all of the northern counties of California whose interests are closely linked with yours.

Very truly yours,  
Peter Gerig,  
Supervisor, Lassen County.

Dr. Fred R. Goddard, Mayor,  
Klamath Falls, Oregon,  
Dear Sir:

We wish you to accept our grateful thanks for the position you have taken in keeping the key city of Klamath Falls open to entry by any railroad.

Having been promised a line to Malin by the Hill System, we deplore any action that would be discouraging them, retard our development.

We particularly appreciate your veto message as standing for the best for the whole county rather than the narrow view that no thought should be given anything outside the corporate limits.

We are now, for the first time ready to believe that a prophet came out of Nazareth.

Very sincerely yours,  
FARMERS' SOCIETY OF THE  
TULE LAKE VALLEY

Lookout, Calif., May 14, 1925.  
Dr. Fred R. Goddard, Mayor,  
Klamath Falls, Oregon  
My dear sir:  
I noticed in the Evening Herald, under date of May 13, where you vetoed a Resolution by your Council which if passed (Continued On Page Six)

## So The People May Know

Now that other railroads are determined to tap the rich Klamath country, Robert E. Strahorn is again promising construction of a spur line between Dairy and Bonanza. He has filed application with the public service commission for authority to build this line.

But this projected development does not raise the hopes of the people of Bonanza. They still remember the glowing promises of Robert E. Strahorn as made nine years ago, and their interest in him and his projected railroad development has waned. Files of The Evening Herald reveal that following the Strahorn promise to build from Dairy to Bonanza, leading citizens of the latter town rejoiced greatly. They organized the Bonanza Railroad Promotion club, and got busy procuring the necessary right of way. This club is now but a memory—just as ephemeral as the line Strahorn promised to build.

The Evening Herald files of September, 1916 show that news stories appeared almost daily concerning the progress of railroad plans and the sincere work done by citizens of this community to aid Strahorn in his railroad project.

The city council on the night of September 5, 1916 decided to engage attorneys named by the Keller Brothers' bond house of Denver to pass on the validity of the proposed \$300,000 bond issue, which the city was determined to turn over to Strahorn.

The files also reveal that Rollo C. Groesbeck, now attorney for Strahorn, but then city attorney, was one of the most ardent advocates of the new road. Besides the aid offered in his official capacity, Attorney Groesbeck was also a leading member of the citizens' railroad committee.

Quoting from the files at this date we find: "The attitude of the many citizens at the council meeting last night toward the question of bonding the city was evidenced by the vigorous and continuous applause given City Attorney Groesbeck when he spoke in favor of the \$300,000 issue."

It is also revealed that Strahorn wanted other concessions from the people of this section, but did not want to put out any of his own money. He wanted photographs of his entire proposed right of way between Klamath Falls and Bend. He wanted pictures of the various valleys and farming communities of Klamath county; he wanted them for promotion purposes. But he wanted the people to pay for them. And their faith in Strahorn undiminished, the then Klamath Falls Commercial club raised the needed funds to employ a scenic photographer to obtain these pictures for Strahorn.

It is also shown by the files that while bond attorneys were preparing for the \$300,000 issue which would make Klamath Falls a "partner" with Strahorn and his railroad project, a committee of citizens neglected their own work and capassed the county for right of ways donations for the line. Members of this committee were Wilson S. Wiley, Bert E. Withrow and R. E. Bradbury.

The story is told in glowing words of how farmers almost without exception deeded the needed right of way. There was the story of a French farmer who was planning to sell his little 15-acre tract. It would cut his acreage in two, but he was as loyal as any other man.

"If my giving a part of my little tract will help Klamath county get a railroad to Bend, I am glad to give it," he told the committee, as he signed the necessary papers.

This was the spirit which prevailed throughout Klamath county during those fateful days of the fall of 1916, when the long cherished dream of a railroad appeared to be coming true, with Robert E. Strahorn in the role of the builder who was to do so much for Klamath county-providing his many demands were met.

(Continued tomorrow)

## MILL WORKERS WILL ORGANIZE

### Meeting to be held at Union Hall, 5th and Main Streets Tonight

Preliminary plans for the organization of a mill workers' union in Klamath Falls will be taken tonight at a general mass meeting of mill workers at Union hall, Fifth and Main streets. The meeting will be in charge of C. D. Long, field representative for the labor federation.

All mill workers who are interested in organizing are asked by Mr. Long to be present.

POSTPONE PLAY  
Due to the rush of affairs of this week, the "Charm School" annual play of the Senior class has been postponed until Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Previous announcement set the date of the play as Friday, May 15. The presentation will be given in the Pine Tree theater.

## THREE DEAD IN TRAIN SMASHUP

### Freight and Passenger Train on Pennsylvania Line Crash Headon

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 14.—Three persons are reported killed and several injured in a collision between Pennsylvania railway passenger train number 6, eastbound, and a freight train, near Martinsville, Illinois, 16 miles west of here.

Those reported killed were Dan Walsh and George H. Muench, both engineers, and William Zimmerman, fireman. Two engines pulling the passenger train and six coaches were derailed.

DRISCOLL GOES TO PORTLAND  
J. H. Driscoll left this afternoon for Portland, where he goes on matters connected with his extensive insurance business. He will be accompanied as far as Ashland by Mrs. Driscoll, who will visit with friends until Mr. Driscoll returns from Portland, which will be next Sunday.

## SEEK FEDERAL AID TO BUILD NEW HIGHWAY

### Oregon Will be Asked to Cooperate With Calif., on Movement

The assistance of Klamath county in securing federal aid for the Malin-Bieber section of The Dalles-Reno-Loos Angeles highway, is sought here today by C. J. Fulcher, president of The Dalles-Reno-Loos Angeles association and Peter Gerig supervisor of Lassen county.

Designation of this section of road as a federal aid highway will mean that federal funds will be available for its construction, Mr. Gerig said. Modoc, Lassen and California counties benefitted by the proposed north and south highway from Oregon to Mexico, are pulling for federal aid. But they feel that their case will be made stronger if the government bureau of public roads in Oregon, urges the California government road bureau to favor the section of road with federal aid.

### Seeking Support

"So we are here, primarily to interview the chamber of commerce, and citizens of the town, in enlisting their aid," Mr. Gerig said. "We hope they will write to the bureau of public roads in Portland and ask that that body recommend to the California bureau favorable action on the matter."

Mr. Gerig, who is from Bieber and Mr. Fulcher who resides at Lookout, conferred with business men in the chamber of commerce this morning.

Concerning the present status of The Dalles-Reno-Loos Angeles highway, Mr. Gerig pointed out that while the governor had not yet vetoed the bill passed at the last legislature designating the Malin-Bieber section as primary highway, it was felt that he would do so.

### May Veto Bill

"The way we hear it, is that the governor is going to veto all the road bills passed by the California legislature," Mr. Gerig said. "If he does make a blanket veto on all road bills, we people who are advocating The Dalles-Reno-Loos Angeles highway, will not feel so badly about it. The governor has said he would consider the bill seriously and at length. If he does veto it, it will just mean a wait of two years until the legislature at the next session can pass the measure over his veto."

Speaking of the proposed railroad development in Klamath Falls, Mr. Gerig said that people of his section were anxious to have a representative at the interstate commerce commission in Portland at which Hill Line proposals and S. P. objections, would be heard. At the last interstate commerce commission meeting in Portland, hearing on Klamath railroad development, no representative from northern California was heard, on the ground that California had no interest in railroad development in Oregon.

## STUDENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL MAY HEAR OFFICERS MONDAY

High school students will on Monday morning learn first hand the benefits to be derived by a young man at the Citizen's Military Training camp in Camp Lewis, Washington this summer, if efforts of Dr. G. S. Newsom to arrange for a high school assembly for Colonel Arnold, chief of staff for the 96th division and his adjutant Major John M. Bubb, are successful.

The two officers arrive Friday and will be banqueted at the White Pelican hotel by the Reserve Officers' Association. It is expected that they will address high school students on Monday, and personally interview any young man between the age of 18 and 24 who is interested in the free vacation at Camp Lewis furnished by Uncle Sam.

While there is general interest in the Camp Lewis Military Camp, the candidates for the summer training this year, must be interviewed personally and shown the benefits of the work, if Klamath is to secure a greater number of representatives at Camp Lewis than ever before, Dr. Newsom observed.

### NOTED WRITER DIES

LONDON, May 14.—Sir H. Rider Haggard, the author, died here today.

## CONVICTS WRECK AUTO; SLUG FARMER

### Tanko and Hall, Murderers, Believed Seen at Sacra- mento Again

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 14.—Two men who wrecked a stolen automobile here this morning are believed to be Joe Tanko and Floyd Hall, escaped murderers from San Quentin prison. All peace officers in this city have been ordered out to hunt them down.

The automobile was stolen early today from a farmer and his wife near Auburn. It was wrecked in front of the Sacramento county hospital on the southern edge of this city.

Two men, one with a rifle, held off would-be pursuers and disappeared on foot in the direction of Oak Park, a suburb.

### Woman Hysterical

They were last seen at Forty Third street and Fourth avenue, in the same locality where the convicts disappeared three weeks ago, after shooting Clyde Nunn, a member of the police force who was pursuing them after they had stolen a car and kidnapped its driver. One woman, seeing the men with the rifle this morning, became hysterical. By-standers who saw the men declared they resembled Tanko and Hall, escaped convicts.

At about 9:30 o'clock, a half hour after they had wrecked their stolen automobile, the bandits who had run through the county hospital and state fair grounds nearby, came upon Henry Hansen in front of his home, knocked him in the head, threw him into the back of his automobile and started in the machine toward Stockton on the upper Stockton road with a posse in close pursuit.

The kidnapers later threw Hansen out of his automobile and continued toward Stockton, leaving the upper Stockton road and taking to the lower Stockton, a highway which lies west of the first road taken.

### ENGLAND TO HOLD BACK

LONDON, May 14.—The British government will not at present take the initiative in calling a world disarmament conference, Premier Stanley Baldwin told the house today, in reply to a member's question.

## MRS. SHEPHERD GIVEN FREEDOM

### Freed of All Suspicion in Connection with Mc- Clintock Death

CHICAGO, May 14.—Mrs. William D. Shepherd has been cleared by the grand jury of implication in the deaths of Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock and William McClintock, millionaire orphan.

The jury voted two "no bills" thus quashing findings of a coroner's jury that held her as accessory to her husband, held for trial on an indictment charging the murder by typhoid germs of young McClintock. It took no action on the coroner's jury's verdict holding Shepherd responsible for Mrs. McClintock's death, but may thereby hear any further evidence in that regard.

Mrs. Shepherd greeted the jury's vote with a statement in which she said an outcome "must be the ultimate outcome of all the conspiracy against my husband and myself. There must be an end to this damnable outrage against us." She has maintained throughout that the investigations of the deaths and the charges against her husband and herself was a conspiracy.

### "LIFER" DIES

SALEM, Ore., May 14.—Peter A. Brenner, who was sent to the state penitentiary from Clatsop county in December, 1919, to serve life for killing Frank Gowan, died at the state prison yesterday from tuberculosis. He had been ill several weeks. The remains are held at the prison pending instructions from relatives.