

ALLEGED MELON THIEF IS SLAIN AT M'MINNVILLE

George Hamlin Shot and Killed and Father is Wound by Farmer

TWO OTHERS ESCAPE

Dairyman Says He Thought Gun Was Loaded with Rice—Inquest Starts

MEMINNVILLE, Ore., Sept. 16.

George Hamlin of Portland was killed and his father, F. E. Hamlin, of Portland, was probably fatally shot last night by J. S. Trent, dairyman, who accused the men of robbing watermelon patches, 2 1/2 miles southwest of here, on the Sheridan Road.

The dead and injured men were members of an automobile party of deer hunters, Earl Hamlin, brother of the dead man, and Wm. Hamlin, an uncle, were others members of the party.

Trent was arrested shortly after 10 o'clock last night by Sheriff G. W. Manning, and held in the Yamhill county jail. The two surviving Hamlins also are held pending an inquest into the shooting, which Coroner Glen Macy said probably would be held this afternoon.

Expected to Die

The body of George Hamlin is at an undertaking parlor here, and F. E. Hamlin is in a hospital here, where physicians say he is not expected to recover.

The shooting occurred about 10 o'clock last night.

Trent told Sheriff Manning that he was called on the telephone by a neighbor and warned that his watermelons were being raided. He said he procured his shot gun and went outside. Hearing a noise, as if someone were climbing his fence, and seeing an automobile nearby, he fired both barrels at the car, he said.

Mistake Made

Trent declared that he fired point blank, thinking his gun was loaded only with rice, as he had instructed his sons to do. He had examined the shells previous to the shooting and was convinced they had been opened and recharged.

The dead and wounded men, however, each received heavy charges of buck shot, according to Sheriff Manning.

The dead man has several shot in upper part of his back, shoulders and neck, while the father also has several heavy shot in his back.

The surviving Hamlins deny that they were robbing the melon patch.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!!!

Klamath Falls is not afraid of tackling a large building program, according to J. E. Smith, loan and investment broker, registered at the Portland. "We have 100,000 acres of irrigated land, and 40,000,000 feet of timber behind Klamath Falls," he said. "I guess we can afford to build a little. Besides the new six-story hotel under construction, we have a \$200,000 apartment house going up and a half dozen more buildings costing between \$25,000 and \$60,000."—Portland Telegram.

Murders Wife And Son; Then Seeks Suicide

Denver Man Runs Amuck Over Divorce Quarrel

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 15. (AP)—

Ray Shank, 50, shot and killed two members of his family early today, attempted to take the life of a third and then sought to end his life by drowning himself in a bath tub.

The dead:

Mrs. Marion Shank, 49, his wife.

Paul Shank, 19, a son.

The son was shot in the head as he lay asleep on a sleeping porch.

Mrs. Shank was killed in the living room.

Family friction is believed by officers to have been the motive for the crime. Divorce papers, filed by his wife and served on him yesterday were found under Shanks pillow.

A daughter, Ruth, 18, escaped by running from the house. Attracted by her screams, a neighbor came to her assistance and grappled with the father, who broke loose and retired to the house where he attempted to end his own life.

Logger Stabs Wife And Then Ends Own Life

J. Carter Runs Amuck In Portland Rooming House

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 16. (AP)—

Jack R. Carter, 55, logger, stabbed his wife, Mrs. Leona Carter, 33, and ended his own life by stabbing himself at a rooming house here early today. He died at a hospital. Mrs. Carter is in the same hospital suffering from wounds in her back and right arm, but her condition is not serious.

Mrs. Carter told the police that the stabbing occurred after she and her husband had been drinking moonshine and he had accused her of keeping company with another man while he was in a logging camp near Bend.

Carter returned to Portland yesterday from Bend, where he had been working in camp 75 of McLeod Brothers Logging company. Mrs. Carter said she spent the afternoon with another woman, and in the evening came to her apartment. They went out together and later returned to the apartment, where they had several drinks from a pint bottle of moonshine, she said.

Then Carter accused her of going out with another man and drawing a butcher knife from his shirt inflicted the two wounds upon her. He then stabbed himself near the heart. Mrs. George Campbell, the landlady, hearing groans, summoned the police.

JACKSON COUNTY FAIR UNDER WAY

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 15.—With the exhibits declared larger than ever, and with horse races and a pear show as special features, the annual Jackson county fair opened today with all local stores closed at noon for the observance of Medford Day. The fair will close Saturday.

SPUR LINE VETO NEATLY HURDLED LATE YESTERDAY

Council Repudiates Mayor's Disapproval by Overriding Unanimously

DEFER STREET VETO

City Fathers Fail to See Hand of S. P. in Rail Line up Shore of Lake

Swift repudiation of Mayor Goddard's veto was effected yesterday afternoon when the council by unanimous vote overrode his veto of the resolution granting the Sawmill Engineering and Construction company the right to construct a spur line along the shore of Ewauna lake.

By its action the council indicates that it believes the spur line is being constructed in good faith and not at the instance of a railroad concern. The city governmental body held that the spur would accelerate industrial expansion in the section it will serve.

Another veto, that of the O. C. & E. petition for an extension of time with which to construct a railroad crossing across Sixth street, was deferred until next Monday night.

At least one member of the council hesitates to override the mayor's veto on this question on the ground that if the extension of time were granted, it would be an acknowledgment by the city that they had granted the Strahorn railroad permission to cross south Sixth street at Commercial street without common user.

Miner Pans Gold Along City Street

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 16.—Jacksonville, a roaring mining camp sixty years ago, now nearly a deserted village, may return to its former glories, if gold panning started recently on its main street continues to show prosperous. Some time ago Joe Langwell, veteran miner, sank a shaft on California street and yesterday before the eyes of the village residents brought out ten dollars of the yellow metal in one panning. He claims he has struck a rich ledge and has engaged two men to help him. The shaft is about thirty feet deep and is operated by an old fashioned hoist and rocker.

Sinnott Says To Wait Till Bill Passes

Congressman Expresses Views on Federal Building

If congress passes the Elliott bill, providing five-hundred million dollars for federal buildings in the United States, then and only then will Klamath Falls stand a chance for a federal building.

Thus did Congressman Sinnott dispose of the subject of a federal building in Klamath Falls.

"Yes," he admitted, "Astoria stands a pretty good chance for a federal building, but there is a possibility that two federal buildings for Oregon would be authorized under this appropriation if authorized. My counsel to the community would be to strain every effort when the Elliott bill is passed. Only through continual work would the city be successful."

Congressman Sinnott left this afternoon for The Dalles, on his way home, by way of The Dalles-California highway. He planned to spend some time on his way north, at Crater lake inspecting the progress of paving inside the park. It was largely through his influence that the appropriation for the improvement of Crater lake roads was secured.

Pendleton All Ready For Its Roundup Today

Oregon Town Gaily Decorated For Big Event

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 16.—

Pendleton is ready. The town gaily decorated and full of cowboys from all over the entire west is again prepared for its big moment, the roundup.

That colorful community pageant again swings into action starting this afternoon at 1:30. Nearly 189 cowboys performers are gathered here and registration went on far into the night.

Cloudy weather obtains this morning but the belief holds among those familiar with eastern Oregon weather conditions that it will break and clear weather and sunshine will hold away when the curtain raises this afternoon on the "Epic drama of the west."

Many noted performers are gathered here this year, including Paddy Ryan, freckled Irishman from Montana and winner of last year's Roosevelt trophy, the supreme award of cowboydom.

LAFOLLETTE IS EASY WINNER IN SENATE PRIMARY

Son of "Fighting Bob" Out-Distances all Candidates in Wisconsin

VOTING IS VERY LIGHT

Democratic Candidate Fails to Get Enough Votes to Go Into Finals

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 16. (AP)—

Youth out-distanced all opposition at yesterday's senatorial primary. Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., just inside the constitutional age limit, swept everything before him, carrying all but eight of the seventy-one counties in the state, and received the republican nomination for the United States senate. With but 369 precincts missing out of a total of 2,269, in the state, LaFollette had 163,584; Wilcox 72,996; Woodward 37,227; McGovern 17,866. The same number of precincts gave Bruce, democrat, 6,347; Rogers, democrat, 157; and Work, socialist, 5,630.

The vote represented somewhat less than half the voting strength of the state, slightly more than 300,000 going to the polls, but those who did register in no uncertain manner their desire to retain LaFollette in Wisconsin. Young Bob won with a majority of 29,495 over his three opponents and a plurality of 85,488 over his nearest opponent, Roy P. Wilcox of Eau Claire, the Coolidge republican candidate.

Equals Father

From the first return until the last the election was LaFollette, equalling the victory of his father, the former Badger senator, in other years.

The election was fatal to the democratic cause in the state. William George Bruce, selected to make the race by the state democratic convention, was unable to poll sufficient votes to carry his party into the final race.

His count did not reach the required five per cent of the democratic total in the last election in 1924, or 15,585 votes.

Light Voting

The vote was especially light yesterday, although the issue in the campaign was strictly a LaFollette and anti-LaFollette fight. LaFollette made a walkaway of the race, but will be opposed at the final election by his most formidable opponent of yesterday, Roy P. Wilcox, who ran as a republican, but also filed as an independent and will run under that designation in the final election, September 29.

30 Years Old
Young LaFollette, if ultimately elected, will be one of the youngest members of the senate. He barely qualifies as to age requirements of the constitution, having recently turned 30. He is unmarried.

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EXPANSION FOR CRATER LAKE IS DUE NEXT YEAR

Hotel to be Enlarged—Biggest Tourist Travel Reported This Year

WILL IMPROVE ROADS

National Park to have Many Additional Lures for Coming Season

Extensive improvements are contemplated at Crater Lake lodge, at the rim of Oregon's scenic gem, which is unlike anything of its kind in the world.

Another unit of the attractive hotel will be erected in time to accommodate tourist travel beginning next season. Cameron Squires of Portland is assisting R. W. Price, managing director of the Crater Lake Hotel company, in financing this improvement, which is part of a broad program for continued expansion of hotel facilities. A group of rustic cottages for motor car tourists who prefer this class of accommodations also is planned.

The volume of tourist travel to Crater Lake this year has greatly exceeded that of any year since the highways from Medford and Klamath Falls have been so well improved. Completion of the Eugene-Klamath Falls cutoff of the Southern Pacific railway will bring that line within about 20 miles of Crater lake and this short distance will be provided with a suitable highway.

Roads Planned

According to a recent statement by Colonel C. G. Thompson, superintendent of Crater Lake National park, a 10 years' program of highway improvement of the roads into the park and through it including the highway around the rim of Crater lake, has been laid out so that ultimately all of these highways will be hard surfaced. Money is now available for hard surfacing 18.3 miles of the road to the park's entrance, and this work will be done this fall and next spring. Eventually the width of the park's highways will be 20 feet, all objectionable curves will be widened and maximum grades will be reduced to 7 per cent. All good trees and landscape effect will be preserved. For these highway improvements \$239,000 is available.

Colonel Thompson is bent upon using mechanical equipment to remove the snow mantle from the highways each spring, so that Crater lake may be reached much earlier than has been possible heretofore. When this is done, Crater lake will be accessible at least a month sooner than it was this year.

Accidents Few

Citing the safety of the highways into and around Crater Lake Colonel Thompson says that only one collision of motor cars has occurred this season. No one was injured and the cost of the mishap was only \$11.20.

Forest rangers are watchful in protecting Crater Lake National park's attractions—flowers, forest cover, the many cascades and wild animal life.

Sanitation and providing pure water for automobile camps are prime considerations.

September is regarded as the most beautiful month in the park, although the attendance usually drops off the early part of this month.

One of the features of service at Crater Lake lodge is that many young men and women students of the University of Oregon and of the Oregon Agricultural college are given employment during their summer vacations. No such splendid and worthy groups of young people could be found anywhere, say patrons of the resort, and they do much to elevate the popularity of Crater lake. In the evenings in the hotel's great lobby before the massive fireplace, fed by huge logs, these young people contribute much in song and music to the pleasure of the guests.

Caillaux Enroute To United States

PARIS, Sept. 16. (AP)—Finance Minister Caillaux left for the United States on his debt funding mission this afternoon. He took the boat train for Havre at 3:35 p. m.

Borah Blames Work For Bad Farm Outlook

Idaho Solon Appeals to Coolidge For Relief

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. (AP)—

Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, today carried to the White House his fight for relief of settlers on reclamation projects in the west.

Following closely on the announcement of the White House views that congress was to blame for lack of relief legislation, the Idaho senator indicated that he felt Secretary Work and the interior department were to blame for the unfavorable conditions in the west where settlers have been seeking extension of relief from reclamation charges.

In conference with President Coolidge the senator urged a more liberal attitude on the part of the government and declared that the interior department has adequate authority under law to carry out relief measures.

Farmer Slain By Lightning Near Wallowa

Big Storm in Eastern Section Does Damage

LA GRANDE, Ore., Sept. 16.—A terrific thunderstorm which swept over Union and Wallowa counties late yesterday took a toll of one life, delayed threshing in Wallowa county, and caused an unestimated amount of damage to prune and apple orchards near Cove.

Wayne Willett, 23, of Wallowa, was killed by a bolt of lightning when he sought shelter from the storm under a tree. Willett's mother brought him a coat to the field where he and his father were working, witnessed the death. Two horses were killed a few minutes later by another bolt of lightning.

Six Prisoners Still Missing

Bloodhounds Are After Seattle Jail Fugitives

SEATTLE, Sept. 16.—Search for six prisoners who escaped from the King county jail here yesterday after holding up three jailors, two doctors and an attorney and locking them in a cell, shifted today to Whidby Island, across Puget Sound from Everett when Snohomish county Sheriff McCulloch took a posse and blood hounds there. The hunt started from Mukilteo.

Acting prosecutor MacFarlane declared here that an inquiry will be made in an effort to determine how the men obtained four pistols and a knife fastened on the end of a broom stick which they used to gain their freedom.

GOLDIE MILLER IMPROVING

Friends of Goldie Miller will be glad to learn that she is recuperating from a severe attack of throat trouble, which has had her confined to her home for several days. She hopes to be well enough to resume her position with Moe's shop by the latter part of this week.

Coughs Up Gold Penpoint Caused His Poor Health

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 16.—An old fashioned gold pen point, swallowed by J. F. Young of this city, when he was a small child, was coughed up by Young at his home here yesterday. The tip of the pen point was in good condition, but the remainder was badly corroded, indicating that the tip had become lodged in his throat. Physicians attending the case declare that the point must have become stuck in his bronchial tube.

Young, who is now 25 years old, has been bothered since childhood with poor health that has baffled every physician consulted. His illness has been marked with frequent fits of coughing, during which blood would appear. It was during an occasion of this kind that the pen point was ejected from his system yesterday.

His mother, with whom he is living at 1510 north Liberty street, believes that Young must have swallowed the pen point more than 20 years ago.

Drunken Autoist Jailed Stiff Penalty Is Given

OREGON CITY Garbage Man Runs Into Tough Luck At Salem

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 16.—Jacob Dietz of Oregon City, was found guilty in justice court here on a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated. He was immediately sentenced by Justice of the Peace Small to three months in the county jail, pay a fine of \$250 and lose his driver's license for a year. His car will be held by the authorities for three months.

The collision out of which the charge grew occurred when Dietz's automobile, in which were himself, his wife and a small son, clashed with a truck near St. Paul on Sunday, September 6. The wife and boy were severely hurt, the boy going to a hospital with a badly injured head.

Several witnesses for the defense declared there was no evidence that Dietz had been drinking but Deputy Sheriff Bert Smith who handled the case at the time, said evidence of liquor was strong. Dietz is a garbage man.