

HEALTH LID CLAMPED DOWN

ONE NEAR DEATH IN GUN DUEL AT LONGVIEW, WASH.

Emil Olson, Ex-service man,
Reported Dying from
Bullet Wounds

ASSAILANT IS HELD

Quarrel on Lonely Home-
stead Brings Gun Play,
Ludwig Larson in Jail

LONGVIEW, Wash., Dec. 14.—(P)—Ludwig Larson, 31, world war veteran, is held at Cowlitz county jail, Kelso, on an open charge, and Emil Olson, another ex-service man, lies in a Kelso hospital near death's door as a result of a quarrel between the two at a lonely homestead five miles from Kelso. Larson confessed shooting Olson, and his version tallies with the statement of the wounded man, except for dates.

According to Larson slighting remarks had been applied to him by Olson. He went for his gun and shot three times at Olson as the latter lay in his bunk. This was Friday.

Olson said he took his companion to task for abusing his horses, and that Larson retaliated with his gun on Wednesday, leaving him where he shot him from Wednesday until Saturday, when he returned and brought him water. Sunday Larson secured aid and brought the wounded man to a hospital, when authorities were called.

The injured man is paralyzed from the waist down, one bullet having lodged in the spine. According to officers who investigated, the man lay in his bunk from Wednesday until Saturday, without food, water or attention. The only means of sustenance was a box of apples under the bed and a stale crust of bread which was on a table alongside the bed in the one-room abode.

Favor Unseating Dakota Senator

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. (P)—An unfavorable report on the seating of Gerald P. Nye as senator from North Dakota, was adopted today by the senate elections committee.

Only two members of the committee voted in favor of seating Nye, who was appointed by Governor Sorlie to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Ladd.

Sub committee consisting of Chairman Ernst and Senator Goff, West Virginia, and Senator George, democrat of Georgia, was appointed to prepare the report for submission to the senate.

WILL GET REHEARING

Charlotte Whitney, Convicted of
Syndicalism, Wins New Trial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. (P)—Charlotte Anita Whitney, convicted of violating the California criminal syndicalism and whose appeal recently was dismissed by the supreme court, today was granted a rehearing.

9 MORE SHOPPING DAYS
before Christmas

Indian Leaves To Lobby For Klamath Bill

Fred Hendricks Goes
To Washington,
D. C.

Fred Hendricks, Klamath Indian, left here today for Washington, D. C., where he will appear before interior department officials and members of congress to press the Klamath Indians' request for the \$5,000,000 loan on the sale of reservation timber.

Although he needed approximately \$500 to finance the trip, Hendricks is leaving here with but \$248, but hopes some way or other to procure sufficient funds in the east to keep him there lobbying for the bill and then bring him back to the reservation.

"I can only buy a one-way ticket and trust to good fortune to get enough to bring me home," said Hendricks prior to his departure. "But I am so anxious to put this over for the Indians that I am willing to take a chance on any personal discomfort."

United States Senator McNary has before congress a bill to advance a loan of \$5,000,000 to the Klamath Indians, to be paid back at five percent interest from the sale of their timber lands. This would give the Klamath Indians approximately \$4000 each and would enable them to farm their lands properly and get on their feet financially.

Thief Steals Medic's Grips

Police Believe Guilty
Party Addict of
Drugs

Three small grips, containing valuable surgery implements and miscellaneous articles necessary to a practicing physician, were stolen Saturday night from the automobile of Dr. J. G. Patterson. The car of the local physician was parked on Fifth street and the grips were in the car.

"I think it was probably a drug addict that picked up the grips on the chance that they contained drugs," Chief of Police Harry M. Loucks said today.

No drugs were in the grips, Dr. Patterson reported.

Bulging Pockets Can Be Examined By Prohi Police

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(P)—Bulging hip pockets may be investigated by prohibition officers. Official sanction was given today by U. S. District Judge R. S. Dean to the search of hip pockets, if they look suspicious.

"The constitution does not prohibit all search, but only such search as may seem unreasonable," declared the judge in deciding a motion in the case of the United States against Joe Wood and Alvin Landis. The defendant demanded that certain testimony against them be thrown out because the hip pocket search of Landis had been made in an unconstitutional manner.

Suspected Robbers To Be Prosecuted

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14. (P)—Vincent Murphy, Jimmy Murphy and George Welch, Shedd bank robber suspects held at the county jail, will be prosecuted on charges of having and concealing stolen property, and Walter Witzel and Charles Griffin, arrested with them, will be tried on charges of vagrancy. District Attorney Myers declared today.

FRENCH PEOPLE IN NEAR PANIC OVER FINANCES

Sharp Drops of the Franc
on Exchange Market is
Causing Much Alarm

DISLIKE MEASURES

Revenue Bill of New Cab-
inet Disapproved, Whole
Country is Upset

PARIS, Dec. 14. (P)—France's financial plight, daily grows worse, and the public is beginning to show signs of something like a panic, which is being heightened by the series of sharp drops in the value of the franc on the exchange market.

In the viewpoint of some observers, signs are multiplying that the political system is falling more and more into discredit. These signs, however, they aver, are lost on parliament, which continues the slow and even tenor of its way, oblivious to the movements for "the sacred union" committees of financial public safety and the like, which are more and more drawing the attention of the general public, impatient and alarmed at the continued postponement of a solution of the financial crisis.

At Lowest Level

The franc now stands at a lower level than it ever has reached before and every Frenchman who is in possession of any quantity of them is hastening to convert the money into something tangible, houses, diamonds and even raw gold and platinum.

Minister of Finance Loucheur's seven bills, with which he hopes to bridge the financial situation, seemingly are disliked by everybody. This dislike is beginning to find outward expression. As an instance the merchants and manufacturers at Carcassonne, assembled in solemn convocation and bound themselves to withhold payment of all taxes, should M. Loucheur's bills be adopted. Meanwhile all attempts to speed up a conclusion of the situation, be it had or indifferent is being hampered by political considerations. Indeed it is charged that the root of the whole evil is that what is purely and simply a financial crisis is dominated by politics.

Revenue Bill Opposed

The advisory committee to pass on all financial plans, and from which was made at the time of the formation of the new Briand ministry and which made an excellent impression, has vanished and nothing more is heard of it.

One thing seems certain, that M. Loucheur's principal bill, the revenue bill, which is in the hands of the finance commission of the chamber, will not pass as it stands. Consequently it is believed either M. Loucheur will withdraw from the ministry and that there will be a fresh set of proposals, or the bill will be remodeled by Finance committee or M. Loucheur himself. In either case, political observers opine, more importance still will be attached to political consideration than to views of the financial experts.

TO SEIZE PROPERTY

Delinquent State Income Tax Pay-
ers to Be Visited by Sheriffs

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 14. (P)—For the collection of approximately \$50,000 in delinquent state income taxes, the state tax commission is sending to the sheriffs of the state about 850 warrants authorizing the seizure of property if the taxes are not forthcoming. Under the law, this drastic action may be taken after the taxes have been delinquent sixty days.

Kiddies' Fund Growing; Many People Giving

Red-Letter Christmas
Assured Klamath's
Tots

Santa Claus is not going to forget the kiddies of Klamath. And those youngsters who have been wondering whether or not they would be missed this year need have no further fears, for The Evening Herald's Kiddies' Christmas fund is going over the top; going over even better than we had ever dreamed.

That window full of toys at the Mordoff and Woolf store pulls at the heart-strings, and it has pulled many dollars into the Herald's fund for the tots who might otherwise be forgotten.

O. K. Mitchell is a police patrolman; there are some who say he is one of the hard-boiled type, but he's got a heart as pure as gold. He walked into the Herald office Saturday night and laid a \$10 bill down on the desk.

"I see enough poverty and heart-aches and I know what a wonderful thing this is going to be for the kiddies," he said. "I can go without a few luxuries in order to help the little tots."

A lumberjack with a decided limp in his right leg came in this morning. There was a smile on his face and a \$5 bill in his hand.

"Just say its for the kids from their friend a lumberjack," he said, as he limped toward the outer door.

Others who contributed to the fund over the week-end were Olaf Larson, 2416 Oregon avenue, \$1; Fred D. Fletcher, \$2.50; Mrs. J. R. Manning, \$1; H. A. Isensee, \$1. Besides these there were many who sent or brought in their money and neglected to leave their names. But anyway, the Santa Claus editor this morning banked \$37.50.

The fund is now nearing the point where it will provide for the youngsters. Manager McDonald of the Pletcher store Saturday night sent in a hurry-up order for 250 Christmas stockings, and these are going to be filled to the brim with candies and nuts for every youngster whose name is turned into the Santa Claus editor by the Community Chest investigating committee.

Because of the generous response which has been given by the kind-hearted people of the city, those who desire to make contributions to this fund during the week are asked to limit their donations to not more than a dollar.

C. Bascom Slemp Is Seriously Ill

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 14. (P)—C. Bascom Slemp, formerly secretary to President Coolidge, was stricken ill here yesterday with an attack of ptomaine poisoning and was confined to his room in the Mason hotel. Physicians said his condition was "not alarming" and that he would be fully recovered in a few days.

FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

At the suggestion of Dr. Newsom, city health officer, a meeting of a committee of the Merchants Bureau was called by K. Sugarman. After the meeting Mr. Sugarman stated: "We have advised the city health officer that we stand ready to cooperate with him in every way that he deems necessary to fully protect the public health. If it is his opinion that a personal quarantine should be established, we stand ready to aid in making it as effective as possible. It is the consensus of opinion among the business men that the welfare of the community stands above everything else."

PHIPPS APPOINTED

Colorado Soten Made Chairman of
G. O. P. Senatorial Committee
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. (P)—Senator Phipps of Colorado today was named chairman of the republican senatorial campaign committee, succeeding Senator Moses of New Hampshire, recently elected president pro tempore of the senate.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN STATES IN GRIP OF HEAVY STORM

Air Mail Virtually Stopped
Because of Heavy Wint-
er Blizzards

BELOW ZERO WEATHER

Heavy Fall of Snow Report-
ed in Various Parts of
Mountain States

CHICAGO, Dec. 14. (P)—Blizzards and snowstorms virtually stopped the air mail in the Rocky mountain district and railroads brought out their snowplows in Colorado and Wyoming today while colder weather over-spread sections of the mid-west.

Snowdrifts in some western towns piled up several feet in the streets at Laramie, Wyo., the snowfall was reported as ten inches, Cheyenne had 14 inches and Denver five inches. The temperature dropped to zero in Leadville and was expected to fall to five degrees below zero in north-eastern Iowa tonight.

The storm extended generally over northern and eastern Nebraska and the western Dakotas while in the southwest drizzling rain froze on wires and poles for 50 miles east, northeast and northwest of Kansas City, interrupting communication and glazing the streets.

Ten degrees above zero was predicted for Wisconsin tomorrow. The northwest generally had no unusually cold weather.

Klamath Grand Jury Convenes This Morning

Governor Orders Invest-
igation of Pecholt
Case

Faced with the job of unraveling the maze of contradictory statements and of investigating charges and counter charges in connection with the alleged attack of Frank Pecholt, proprietor of the Country Club, the Klamath county grand jury convened this morning at 10:00 o'clock behind closed doors.

Subpoenas were issued Saturday afternoon for a number of witnesses who will appear before the investigative body and tell what they know of how, when, where and why Frank Pecholt incurred the blow on his head which resulted in a fracture of the skull and that nearly caused his death.

According to press dispatches Governor Pierce has ordered a complete investigation of the case by proper authorities to the end that responsibility, if any can be found, may be placed, for Pecholt's injury.

It is the same grand jury that has met twice since last summer. It is the deliberative body that returned indictments against District Attorney Elliott, State Probation Commissioner Loxens and State Probation Agent L. L. McBride, and which at its last session ordered that the books of Justice of the Peace R. C. Spink and Justice of the Peace J. O. Hamaker be investigated. It is composed of the following: Gene Hammond, Marshall Orr, E. L. Hopkins, Walter Donart, H. S. Wakelield, Frank McCormack and Merle Kilgore.

Virtual Quarantine Established During Meningitis Epidemic

Health Unit and Physicians Vote for Drastic
Action; Schools, Churches, Dances, Pool
Rooms and Public Meetings Banned

Klamath Falls will be placed under a virtual quarantine this afternoon if the requested authority of Dr. G. S. Newsom, medical director of the Klamath County Health unit, is granted by the state board of health.

The emergency move which will affect many local business houses was prompted by the present epidemic of the dread malady of spinal meningitis. The situation was brought to a climax today by the report to the health office of one more case of meningitis, a pupil attending the Sacred Heart Academy, Eighth and Washington streets.

An additional emergency move was taken this afternoon when city and county officials conferred on ways and means to provide a suitable isolation hospital. The meeting was in progress at 3 p. m. today and was attended by the city council, the county court, a committee of local citizens and Dr. Newsom.

The first move to be taken, in the opinion of medical authorities, is to isolate the patients suffering from meningitis so that they can not transmit the disease to others. Under the present arrangement the patient has been treated in local hospitals.

It is possible that some house or building, away from the main business and residence section of town, will be utilized temporarily, and that funds will be secured to start immediate construction of the first unit of an isolation hospital.

Logger at Dorris Crushed to Death

(Special to The Herald)
DORRIS, Calif., Dec. 14.—While cutting timber for the Siskiyou Lumber company at Jerome, Fred Kuhl, prominent resident of Technor, was caught in the path of a falling tree Saturday afternoon and crushed to death. The body of the unfortunate man was brought to the local morgue Saturday evening. Details of the tragedy could not be learned. Kuhl had been working for the Siskiyou Lumber company for several months. He was well known throughout Butte valley.

GIRL WINS WAGER

Eleanora Sears, Boston Society
Leader, Makes Long Walk
and Wins Bet Easily

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 14. (P)—Miss Eleanora Sears, Boston society leader, tennis player and all round athlete, today completed a walk from Providence to her home in Boston to win a wager. She covered the 34 miles in a little over 11 hours, although the time limit set by the terms of the wager was 15 hours.

POSTPONE SCOUT MEETING

All meetings of Klamath boy scouts were called off this afternoon until the present epidemic of spinal meningitis has been checked and controlled, according to announcement by E. A. Nord, scout executive.

DANCE POSTPONED

The scheduled dance at Scandia hall tonight which was to have been given by the St. Mary's Altar society, has been indefinitely postponed because of the ban on public gatherings during the meningitis epidemic.

MERCHANTS COOPERATE

A spirit of cooperation and self sacrifice was evinced this morning by a committee of five business men representing the Merchants Bureau of Klamath, which conferred with Dr. Newsom. Purpose of the meeting was to inform the merchants of the possibility of restricting public gatherings and general movement of the people. The five merchants, while counselling Dr. Newsom not to declare a virtual quarantine unless the situation actually has been called off.