

FIND NO TRACE "KIDNAP FARM"

Chicago Police Fail to Find Ranch Despite Boy's Description

CHICAGO, Sept. 21, (UP)—While scores of police searched the countryside for the "kidnap farm" where Billy Ranieri, 19, was held captive for 13 days, a threat to "lay off or you'll suffer," was received today by the boy's father.

The threat was made over the telephone just as the boy's father, A. Frank Ranieri, was preparing to leave for the criminal courts building where the hearing of Algego Pettiti, accused in the kidnaping, was held today.

Despite the threat, however, Ranieri, his wife and their son, Billy, attended the hearing, which was continued until Friday.

Furnished by the boy with a good description of the farm house police searched a radius of 50 miles surrounding Chicago today. The boy was unable to tell in what direction the house was located but he described the structure and its occupants, a man, his wife and their son.

A ransom of \$60,000 had been demanded of Billy's father but the boy was released on a road near Joliet, Ill., late Tuesday night.

KLAMATH SPUD GROWERS MEET

With E. P. Romans, secretary of the Spokane chamber of commerce agricultural committee and general manager for the Pacific Northwest potato show, as speaker and honor guest of the evening, a meeting of Klamath county potato growers was held last night at Healey auditorium seven miles south of the city.

Mr. Romans told the growers present about the annual potato show and the three-days' conference of growers which is held at the same time. He stated that he earnestly desired that Klamath be represented at the meeting this year, as last year it was the only northwest district not represented. He also asked for exhibits for the show and asked that as many growers as possible attend.

The speaker also discussed the matter of growing and marketing of seed potatoes besides general market problems.

After some discussion all the potato growers adhered to the following wage scale for the year: potato pickers, \$3 and board; \$4.25 without board; or five cents per sack and board themselves.

It was decided that the annual Klamath county potato show is to be held the latter part of November, exact dates to be announced later after available dates are checked. Also the committee for the show will be picked at a later date.

Walter Pierce, ex-governor of Oregon and democratic candidate for representative for congress from the second Oregon district, gave a talk on campaign issues at the beginning of the evening. Henry Semon, president of the Klamath potato growers' association, presided.

TREASURER SENTENCED TO PRISON TERM

KEY WEST, Fla., Sept. 21, (UP)—Seven years in the state penitentiary and \$10,000 fine was imposed on Robert H. Givens, Sr., city treasurer, when he pleaded guilty today to embezzling \$10,000 of city funds. Givens told the court his act was an aftermath of the real estate boom.

Black Cat Is His Mascot in Race



People who scoff at superstition bet on "Tex" Rankin of Portland, Ore., to win the Class A event of the New York-to-Los Angeles air races. His Waco plane carried the number 12 and "Jinx," a black cat mascot. Rankin says "Jinx" has flown with him for two years.

Crater Timber To Be Treated

Announcement that the federal biological survey office of the United States would treat 2500 acres of young pine in the Crater National forest to prevent destruction by rodents, was made yesterday by J. F. Branson, agent in the Portland office, who is here to supervise and aid with the work.

A recent survey showed that mice, chipmunks and golden mantle ground squirrels destroy about 90 per cent of young trees planted in re-forestation work. The survey is being carried on in co-operation with the United States forest service.

The area is being treated with poisoned grain in an attempt to kill the animals before they destroy the trees.

BABY ELEPHANT BORN

BERLIN, Sept. 21, (UP)—A baby elephant was born in captivity here today. Keepers at the zoo claimed it was the first case known.

BEAR SHOT BY KLAMATH MAN

A black bear, weighing more than 250 pounds, thought to be the first brought back to Klamath county this season, was shot Tuesday on Black Rock mountain near the Lookout Rangers' station by I. E. Martin of this city.

Martin with Allan Sinkler of Fort Klamath, left here last Saturday for the hunting spot, where last year they shot down one bear and four deer. Less than 35 miles from where they enjoyed the successful hunt last year, they located the large bear on Tuesday afternoon.

When Martin fired the first shot into the bear, it was headed towards him, coming through the heavy timber. When he spotted the animal it was about 200 feet away. The first shot took effect in the shoulder, when the bear fell.

"I took no chances that he was dead, but fired a second one which struck him through the head," Martin stated.

"The telephone service in that country, 40 miles into the woods, is splendid. In answer to a phone call from Klamath Falls, the ranger station located me in less than 15 minutes," Mr. Martin commented today.

The bear is a perfect specimen. It is the intention of Mr. Martin to have it mounted into a rug, which he will present to Mrs. Martin.

HERALD CLASSIFIED ADS BRING RESULTS

General Vanderbilt and Son, Cornelius, Jr., Are Reconciled

NEW YORK, Sept. 21, (UP)—Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., newspaperman, is prevented by motives of delicacy from writing his greatest human-interest story and must leave it to other hands.

It is nothing less than the reception back to the parental bosom of Cornelius Vanderbilt, stern Brigadier General and father of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., a prodigal son, who took a share of his inheritance and went forth into the world of journalism.

And the hard days came, as everybody knows, and the son squandered his gold upon gaudy linotype operators and perfumed rolls of paper and dazzling Hoe presses. And the son was reduced to writing husks for the syndicates, deceitful friends and every sort of affliction. And he bore it all bravely, but his father hardened his heart against him.

Four years passed, and then Brigadier General Vanderbilt on a morning as softly as only a September morning can be at Newport, R. I., stepped out on the marble stoop of his palace.

What could that be approaching afar off? A taxicab? And swinging into the Vanderbilt driveway? Indeed, yes. And from it emerged not only the prodigal son, to be held close to the stern old father's breast, but a companion, in fact, a bride.

These details, it may be said, are purely imaginary. Seen today at Mayfair House, Park avenue and 65th street, Cornelius was reticent about filling them in. But the essential facts are true, and the fatted calf was killed with rejoicing and feast-

ing that extended over seven days and nights.

With young Vanderbilt at Mayfair House was his bride, the former Mrs. Mary Weir Logan, whom he married July 3, a half hour after she had obtained a divorce from Waldo Hancock Logan, a Chicago broker, and nine months after Vanderbilt's divorce from Mrs. Ravhel Litoletomo Vanderbilt.

The Vanderbilts had just returned from Newport and were leaving to take a train to his ranch in Nevada.

Vanderbilt seemed happy that the estrangement from his father and mother, resulting from his insistence on being a tabloid newspaper owner, was ended.

"I wish that I had time to talk to you more fully," he said, "but you can say that I'm happier now than I've been in years, that the reconciliation with my parents is complete. And you can also

Lodge at Rim Closes Today

The last meal to be served at Crater Lake National Park lodge for the 1928 tourist season was last night. Tonight the lodge doors will be closed and barred in preparation for the long winter months when gales will whip the snow around as it piles steadily upward to the second-story windows of the lodge.

The roads to the lake will probably be in good condition for the coming two months, or until the first heavy snowfall, and many cars will still make the trip this year, it is prophesied.

The lake rim will not, however, have the appearance of loneliness as in past years on account of the many skiing parties which plan to ski up the frozen slope of the mountain to the lodge. To promote winter sports in Crater National forest, a cabin was erected this summer at the government camp, where shelter and warmth will be provided those taking the winter trip.

ACTOR SUICIDES. CHICAGO, Sept. 21, (UP)—Anthony Pieri, an actor, who had been a patient in an insane hospital, leaped to death from the eighth floor of a loop building here today. Failure to obtain employment was believed responsible for his act.

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