

# MURDERER OF 3 CHILDREN IS IN STATE OF COMA

GARY, Ind., April 16.—Mrs. Anna Cunningham, the prosaic middle-aged housewife, who confessed to murdering three of her children so they "could join Pa in heaven," is in a state of coma in the county jail here, unable to appear in court for arraignment.

Mrs. Cunningham was to have been arraigned today on the formal charge of murdering her 10-year-old son Walter whose body was exhumed several days ago with those of his two brothers and father.

Physicians are making tests on Mrs. Cunningham's body in an effort to determine whether the arsenic she says she has taken is responsible for her condition.

She confessed to Sheriff Ben Strong of Porter county, that she poisoned Walter, Charlie, Isabelle and David. The latter is near death in a Chicago hospital.

Meanwhile friends and neighbors of the family in Gary, Ind., came forward with stories saying that all members of the family were "peculiar" and subject to fantastic outbursts of religious enthusiasm.

Robert Murry, whose brother was accidentally killed by one of the Cunningham boys several years ago, said members of the family were always quarreling among themselves and usually were "in hot water with the neighbors."

A basket trap has been invented to catch animals alive without injuring them.

Italians are making a cloth from spun glass for insulation in storage batteries.

A booster for Klamath county and Klamath Falls and every legitimate industry therein—that's the Klamath News.

## PARENTS MAY SELECT THEIR OWN SEXES FOR CHILDREN SAYS WOMAN

LONDON, April 16.—Parents may select for general dissemination, select the sex of their children as readily as they select a motor car, or a color scheme for their living room, according to Mrs. Cecily Monteth Erskine, who claims to have selected the sex of her own children of whom there are four sons and one daughter.

"Sex By Choice" is the name of Mrs. Erskine's book which elucidates her methods. It will appear in the book stalls today. Erskine says that his wife's methods have been practiced for 20 years and that many of the heirs to great English estates owe their sex and existence to her instruction to their mothers.

"As a result of my discovery I forecast that within five years all parents will be choosing the sex of their offspring," Mrs. Erskine said. "Sex by choice" recommends that a proper ratio for families is four boys to three girls although the author does not produce that ratio in her own family. From statistics gathered by herself Mrs. Erskine assumes that 50 per cent of British mothers want boys while 30 per cent want girls. The remaining 20 per cent she found to be indifferent to the sex of their children.

Mrs. Erskine's theory was sketchily revealed in July. Scientists fit it with an avalanche of biological facts and assumptions to which Mrs. Erskine has paid but slight attention.

Not only did she determine the sex of her own children, now grown, but she knew when twins were imminent in her family, Mrs. Erskine relates. As a result of her foreknowledge Erskine here insure himself against the appearance of twins and collected the insurance money.

Mrs. Erskine's book is not unlike a medical text book, and for that reason her exposition of the birth-determining methods are un-

## Rupert Hughes and Conrad Nagel Made Baby's Guardians

LOS ANGELES, April 16.—

Rupert Hughes, author and Conrad Nagel, motion picture actor, have been appointed joint guardians of Marshall Edward Ricksen, young brother of Lucille Ricksen, famous baby star who died recently.

The petition in guardianship was granted Hughes and Nagel late today over the objection of Samuel Ricksen, the boy's father. Ricksen declared that Nagel was unfit to care for the lad because he was an actor and opposed Hughes because he wrote a magazine article belittling the christian faith.

Attorneys for the two men countered with the assertion that the father had shown no interest in his children until he learned that Lucille had left a life insurance policy for \$50,000 with her brother as beneficiary.

## Army Dirigible Has Close Call

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—The TC-3 army dirigible of Scott field was adrift in the clouds for more than two hours with a broken rudder here today before she achieved a forced landing by releasing helium.

The landing was made without accident to the ship or injury to the crew of eight men, although the cost of the helium released will total more than \$14,000.

The airship descended in St. Charles county and the craft will be taken back to Scott field by truck. Officials said the accident to the steering apparatus occurred after the ship had been in the air about two hours.

## Confesses Wholesale Murder Plot



MR. & MRS. FRED C. GIENKE & (Below) PROSECUTOR JOSEPH A. SEYMOUR

Mrs. Martha Wise, forty-three, of Medina, O., has confessed to Prosecutor Joseph Seymour (left), that she put arsenic in a water bucket in her home, resulting in the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Gienske, Mrs. Wise's uncle and aunt (shown above), and Mrs. Sophie Hazel, her mother, and the serious illness of several others of the family.

## Plumbers Rob Morris;

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## Morris To Sing Sing

NEW YORK, April 16.—If a man is going to get anywhere these days, he has to be a specialist. Morris Marcus' specialty is plumbers.

He was arraigned in court today charged with his ninth plumbing shop burglary.

"Twenty years ago," Marcus explained, "I was a peaceful, law-abiding citizen. Then one day a plumber did a little job for me—repaired a leak in the bathroom. When I saw his bill, my whole outlook was changed. If a plumber can rob me and get away with it, I can rob him I said. I've been doing it ever since. If I get sent up for this job I will try another as soon as I get out."

"The darn junk, lead pipes and all, ain't worth the trouble to cart away, but I just hate plumbers."

Marcus' last term for burglary was five years in Sing Sing.

## Screen Offerings

AT THE PINE TREE  
The great Alburus is sure deserving of his name.

Yesterday afternoon at four o'clock he answered hundreds of questions for an apparently worried world, and as an innocent bystander we watched from the sidelines the expressions of joy and relief on many faces, we saw people who were apparently deeply worried, people who were idly curious and some who were just plain skeptics talk for a moment with Alburus, and on every face we saw registered expressions ranging from joy to awe and the expression of the unbeliever who was convinced that Alburus is all that he claims to be and more.

Tonight Alburus will answer your questions at the Pine Tree.

AT THE LIBERTY  
"A Rodeo Mixup," which is the

attraction tonight at the Liberty, is one of the best westerns the screen has seen in many a long day.

It stars Edmund Cobb, who lives

## Real Estate

FOR SALE—4 room modern bungalow, hardwood floors in living room and dining room, garage, woodshed, lawn, built two years ago, lot large enough for two houses. Price \$2600, on terms.

FOR SALE—Lease and equipment of a completely furnished eating house on Main street, including thing conveniently arranged. Price furnished on application.

FOR SALE—Splendid modern home on Esplanade; garage, trees and lawn, centrally located. \$6,300.

A splendid value in a home on California avenue, in a two story modern house, includes three 50-foot lots 140 feet deep, garage, very best land for garden and berries; will sell, or trade for small acreage home in Rogue River Valley.

FOR SALE—Six room bungalow on Ninth street; good location; paying paid. Price \$4,200; terms.

A splendid value in a five room furnished bungalow on Crescent ave., large lot, room for bungalow in nice lawn, double garage, shade trees, a splendid value. Price \$7,500.

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Three splendid resident lots in Hot Springs in good location. Price \$500 each.

Two nice resident lots on Pacific terrace; price \$700 each.

Two good resident lots just off Pacific terrace, \$550 each.

Two lots in triangle shape or one good-sized lot on corner of Klamath ave and Commercial st. Price \$2,250.

Two splendid resident lots in Mills addition will sell separately or together; price \$300 each.

One large lot on Alameda st., near railroad. Price \$200.

One of the best lots for the price in Klamath Falls, on paying, for \$650.

Also lots in all parts of the city.

MRS. NATE OTTERBEIN  
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up to his reputation for being the dare-devil of the screen. He performs enough hair-raising stunts in this picture to satisfy even the most rabid movie fan. He is supported by an excellent cast, among whom are Aston Dearholt, Florence Gilbert, Helen Hayes, Francis Ford and Burt Maddock.

## FAIRVIEW-MT. LAKE

MT. LAKE AND FAIRVIEW, April 16.—Scott Thompson is recovering from a severe attack of flu.

Joe Cox is plowing up alfalfa ground for H. D. Morrison.

Ben Hamilton is putting in his grain crop.

There is a lot of alfalfa froze out in the Mt. Lake vicinity and has to be reseeded. The farmers are enjoying the rain.

## SQUIRREL POISONING

Notice to Property Owners.

County of Klamath, State of Oregon.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the General Laws of the State of Oregon, Volume 11, Section 9329, provide as follows:

"9329. Duty to destroy ground squirrels and noxious rodents. It shall be, and is hereby, declared to be the duty of every person, firm, partnership, company and corporation owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge of or dominion over any land, place, building, structure, wharf, pier, or dock which is infested with ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals, or as soon as the presence of the same shall come to his, their or its knowledge, at once proceed and continue in good faith to exterminate and destroy such rodents by poisoning, trapping or other appropriate and effective means. (L. 1919, c. 127-1)

WITNESSETH: That poisoned oats prepared under the U. S. formula, for the extermination of ground squirrels may be procured from the office of the County Agent, Room "D" Courthouse, Klamath Falls; from Merrill Mercantile Company.

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## 1925 Schedule Siskiyou-Klamath Baseball League

| CLUBS         | At Klamath Falls    | At Yreka            | At Weed             | At Mt. Shasta       | At McCloud          | At Dunsmuir         |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| KLAMATH FALLS | THE NEWS for Sports | May 24              | Aug. 23             | June 7 Aug. 2       | June 21 Aug. 16     | July 12 Aug. 30     |
| YREKA         | June 28 Aug. 9      | The News for Sports | July 26             | July 19             | May 17 Aug. 30      | May 31 June 21      |
| Weed          | May 31 July 19      | June 7 Aug. 16      | The News for Sports | Aug. 30 June 21     | Aug. 2              | May 17              |
| MT SHASTA     | May 17              | June 14 Aug. 23     | July 12             | The News for Sports | May 31              | July 26 Aug. 16     |
| McCLOUD       | July 26             | July 12             | May 24 June 14      | June 28 Aug. 9      | The News for Sports | Aug. 23             |
| DUNSMUIR      | June 14             | Aug. 2              | June 28 Aug. 9      | May 24              | June 7 July 19      | The News for Sports |

Schedule starts May 17; ends August 30. Fifteen games. No game scheduled for July 4 or 5. Final game August 30, to be played on park determined by competing clubs.

## THE KLAMATH NEWS

pany, Merrill, Mack's Cof. Mr. Laki, Kallma's Store, Sparretora's Store, Bonanza Mercantile Store, Bly, Cash Store, Kona.

That the method of digging to-wit: Place teaspoonful of the burrow on warm days, preferably in the forenoon. Cover the entire field in this manner.

In witness whereof, I have signed my hand and seal, 16th day of April, 1925.

(Signed) C. A. HENDON, Agricultural Agent for the County of Klamath, State of Oregon.

By C. H. DeLap, Deputy.

## AUCTION SALE

I will sell at auction on two miles west of Bonanza, at 10 o'clock A. M. Saturday, 25, 1924, for the feed lot.

One red cow about 3 years old, branded 41, connected ribs and left neck, probably underbit in right ear and slope in left ear, I have and pastured this cow for four years.

One young whiteface came to the ranch early branded as near as I can a circle on right ribs, marked whiteface call in this cow, J. O. Hamaker.

FRANCIS J. M.

A10,17,24

## NOTICE

TO THE LAND OWNERS MEADOWS DRAINAGE DISTRICT OF KLAMATH COUNTY, OREGON

Notice is hereby given annual meeting of the owners of the Meadows Drainage District will be held at the Board of Supervisors 124 N. 7th St., Klamath Falls, Oregon, on the 20th day of April, 1925, at the hour of 8 A. M. for the purpose of one supervisor to serve for three years, and for transacting other business may legally come before.

Given by order of the Supervisors.

R. L.

A7,8,9,10,11,12,14,15,16,17

## I. O. O. F.

Klamath Lodge No. 104—Meets first and third Fridays night.

N. G.

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