

YOUTH MISTAKEN FOR FOX, KILLED

Fox Won't Be Caught Alive, Is Opinion

Many Believe Killer of Banker's Daughter May Have Taken Own Life.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—The belief grew tonight that "the Fox" fiendish murderer of 12-year-old Marion Parker, would never be brought in alive. Continued absence of any reported police contact with him, despite the fact that the time limit for his capture was almost up, formed the basis for the opinion. The theory received some official credence.

Tuesday morning at 3 a. m. Chief of Detectives Herman Cline called his lieutenants and newspapermen to his office and stated briefly that "the Fox" had been identified as Edward Hickman, 19-year-old Kansas City boy, and that Hickman would be in custody within 48 hours.

Suicide Discussed
Tonight with a possible suicide being discussed openly, and with only a few of the 48 hours remaining, Cline said:
"It seems impossible that Ed-

Fire Destroys Lumber Firm's Boiler Plant

A fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the boiler room of the Campbell-Towle planing mill at Sprague River Tuesday evening about eight o'clock, according to word received here yesterday.

Volunteer fire fighters managed to save the mill, to which they confined their attention when they saw the flames had gained too much headway in the boiler room to be extinguished.

The actual loss has not been estimated, but it believed to be under \$10,000.

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Search For Hickman Now Covers All Of West U.S.

(By United Press)
The search for Edward Hickman, Kansas City youth, accused of killing Marion Parker, has extended throughout the western half of the United States.

Kidnaper's First Note

ΔΕΑΤΗ
P.M.P.MAKER:
Use good judgment. You are the loser. Do this. Secure 15-\$20 gold certificate. U.S. Currency. 1500 dollars. Go about your daily business as usual. LEAVE OUT POLICE AND DETECTIVES. MAKE NO PUBLIC NOTICE. KEEP THIS AFFAIR PRIVATE. MAKE NO SEARCH. If fulfilling these terms with the transfer of the currency will secure the return of the girl.
FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE REQUESTS MEANS NO ONE WILL EVER SEE THE GIRL AGAIN.
The affair must end one way or the other within 3 days. THREE.
YOU WILL RECEIVE FURTHER NOTICE.
But the terms remain the same.

FATE

IF YOU WANT AID AGAINST ME ASK GOD NOT MAN.

The death threat sent to the parents of Marion Parker by her kidnaper the morning after the disappearance.

Vets To Start Drive For New Members Here

A membership drive was inaugurated by Commander V. J. Walker of the local post of Veterans of Foreign Wars at their meeting last evening. Two captains, Noble Carter and Jimmy Hayes, were elected to take charge of the two teams, the losing side to pay for the banquet which will be tendered on New Year's day.

A large membership is desired by the veterans in order to stage the state convention of vets, which will be held in Klamath Falls during July next year.

Captains Carter and Hayes selected the members of their teams and immediately started looking up prospects.

Both these men desire the names of any veterans who would like to join the local post, which has been growing by leaps and bounds during the past few months.

Next Wednesday evening, election of officers will be held to take command of the post for the ensuing year.

Ice Jam Causes Highway Flood

A long sector of the Crater lake highway above Fort Klamath is flooded by water from the turbulent Anna creek, and despite the efforts of a crew of men, laboring to divert the water, the situation shows little improvement.

This is according to word here yesterday, when it was first learned in this city that nearly one mile of the road is under water.

An ice jam, created by trees which fell across Anna creek last fall, has blocked the stream, causing the water to flow out across the highway and over adjacent fields. The road is believed to be virtually impassable.

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Only Three Days Until Big Christmas Party At Pine Tree; All Children Invited

Only three days more, kids, and the big Christmas party will be staged in the Pine Tree by the management of that theatre, several local merchants and the News, with old Santa Claus on deck to announce the winners of the St. Nick letter contest.
The party starts at 10 o'clock in the Pine Tree, Saturday morning, and every youngster in this city is invited. The candy, nuts and oranges are all packed in the News office, ready for distribution at the party, so don't miss it and be there on time.
Mr. Poole has secured a dandy western movie for the occasion as his gift to the kids and has a big Christmas tree mounted ready for the stage.
Santa Claus has advised the News he will be there to hand winners of the letter contest their handsome prizes, donated by mer-

Infant Found With Hands Frozen Because Home Here Is Too Barren

One of the most appalling conditions of poverty ever brought to light in this city was uncovered by workers for the Christmas community chest yesterday when a six-month-old infant was found with both hands frozen because of a shortage of food clothing in the barren home.

In the family to which the unfortunate baby belongs, are four children. The oldest, a boy of six, has undergone three operations during the past year for a serious ailment, and must again go under the surgeon's knife within the next few weeks if he is to live, it was reported.

The father, burdened with bills, and himself not in the best of health, found work on a local construction job this week and has been able to draw wages for two and a half days. On this meager sum will the family celebrate Christmas—by enjoying a square meal.
This, it was pointed out by C. S. Robertson, chairman of the chest solicitation committee, is the worst case on chest records, but there are many other families in desperate need. The Christmas chest, if its quota of \$3999 is attained, will bring food and warmth to most of the city's poor.
The drive for funds is making good progress, but it must show better results if the quota is to be reached by Saturday night, he declared. He urges that local folk, constrained to share their Yuletide cheer, also donate food and clothing, especially for children. Donations may be left at headquarters in the legion building.

Mrs. Lindbergh Completes Lap

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Mrs. Evangeline Lodge Lindbergh finished another lap of her flight to Mexico City, where she will spend Christmas with her world-famous son, when she landed here at 5:02 p. m. Mrs. Lindbergh will remain here overnight.
She left Tulsa, Okla., at 7:45 this morning. After a 45-minute stop in Dallas, Texas, she hopped off at 11 a. m., and continued to San Antonio, landing at 1:37 p. m. She came here from San Antonio and expects to proceed to Mexico City.

Mother Gets Out the Morning Edition



Lost Sub Located; Pump Air To 6 Men

Divers Get Air Tubes Into Probable Death Chamber; We a ther Moderates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—The process of pumping air to the six men in the torpedo room of the submarine S-4 has begun and will be continued until they are rescued dead or alive, Rear Admiral Brumby, commander of the patrol fleet at Provincetown, informed the Navy Department tonight.
"Pressure was built up to four pounds," his message read, "and then dented down, which process of alternate blowing and (Continued on Page Five)

Louis Porter Is Commander of Legion Post

Louis K. Porter, owner of the Porter Construction Company of this city, and prominent in legion affairs, was last night elected commander of the local American Legion post for 1928.

Admiral's Idea Of Navy Economy Declared Wrong

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Rear Admiral Thomas P. MaGruder, critic of the navy's administration program, today faced the fire of members of the house naval affairs committee, before which he had been appearing as a witness.

Oddities in the Day's News

QUICK JUSTICE
WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Arizona Brady, mule thief, is going to have 15 years behind the bars to think about the swift justice that was meted out to him.
Brady was arrested, confessed the theft of several mules, was sentenced and entered the prison in less than 24 hours.

STONE STOPPED BOB CAT

ULLAHEE, Ore., Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Edwin Billings, 11, is the hero of Ullahee's younger set because he killed a full grown bobcat with a stone.
"Buster was going to school when he encountered the animal. He threw a rock at it and it was killed instantly when the stone hit its head."

JOAN OF ARC PICKLE

PARIS, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—That Joan of Arc was defendant in a suit for breach of promise is the discovery of Jose Frappa, French author, who was commissioned to write a scenario based on the life of the heroic saint. He went to the town of her birth, examined old records, and was surprised to find that she had been ordered to appear in court at Toul because a man of her hometown had charged that, after agreeing to marry him, she changed her mind.

Slayer's Victim



This is Marion Parker as she appeared just before she was kidnapped and then slain in one of California's most sensational crimes.

Surgeon Abandons Victim Of Knife; Flees To Safety

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 21. (U.P.)—The body of Mrs. C. K. Buckles, 25, was found dead on an operating table in the office of Dr. Irvin A. Cole, here today, and Dr. Cole had disappeared.
Mrs. Buckles was said by police to have been the victim of a so-called illegal operation.
The body of the woman was found on the operating table, covered by a surgeon's apron, by her husband and detectives. The doctor's diploma, his personal papers and some instruments were missing. Detectives who rushed to his apartment, reported that clothing and personal effects were gone and everything pointed to a hurried flight.

Watch For "Fox" In Race Crowds

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 21. (U.P.)—A report that the Ti Juana racetrack had been surrounded and that track followers were not permitted to leave today pending a search for "the Fox" slayer of Marion Parker, of Los Angeles, was found to be false.
The Ti Juana Jockey club, customs officers and other officials said however, that an intensive lookout was being maintained for Edward Hickman, identified as the murderer.

Rescued Sailors Tell Of Starvation On Hell Ship

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Tales of days and weeks on a "Hell ship," a bucko skipper, stinking food—and then none—were told by 13 sailors of the steamer Apollo, when they arrived here today aboard the motorship City of San Francisco.
The chief engineer shot himself because he could not manage the engines. The men were forced to man the pumps constantly for four days and nights while the vessel was filling with water. The skipper refused a tow because it would cost him money.
The food dwindled until there was nothing but dry bread and rotten salt pork. Sometimes they caught fish and they feasted. Some days they did not eat at all. When they faced utter starvation the skipper finally accepted a tow and when they ar-

Prisoner Beaten To Death In City Jail

Robber Bearing Some Resemblance to Kidnaper, Mobbed Then Murdered in Cell.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (U.P.)—Believed by fellow prisoners to be Edward Hickman, suspected kidnaper and mutilator of little Marion Parker, a youth who gave the name of Ralph McCoy was set upon and beaten to death in the city jail tonight, according to a preliminary examination conducted by police surgeon Jack Renfrew.
McCoy's body was suspended by a scarf from a beam in the "tank" to make it appear that he had taken his own life, it was said. He was being held on a suspicion of robbery charge.

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