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### HOOKER IS SHOT AND DIES LATER FROM THE WOUND

Escaped Convict Who Killed Warden Minto of the State Penitentiary Found Hiding Under House.

### FALSE MOVE IS HIS UNDOING

Prisoner Makes as Though to Use His Revolver and Patrolman Long of the Portland Police Force Sends Bullet Through Youth's Chest—Cough Reveals Hiding Place.

ALBANY, Ore., Sept. 29.—Shot through the chest by Patrolman A. L. Long, of Portland, Otto Hooker, the convict who killed Warden Minto of the state penitentiary, died at the hospital here early today. Hooker was wounded shortly before midnight while crawling from under the house of John Meisner, where he hid. Long said Hooker made a motion as though to reach for a revolver when shot. Hooker was commended to surrender and apparently was trying to do so when he made a false move.

Coroner Fortmiller said Hooker's revolver was empty and that no shells were found under the house. Hooker was taken to the hospital and died two hours later.

A cough by Hooker revealed the hiding place to Meisner who notified the officials. Patrolman Long and Deputy Sheriff Christofferson of Portland and penitentiary guards Moore and Talent hurried to the house where Hooker was quickly located.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 29.—Patrolman Long, who shot Hooker at Albany, said:

"Deputy Sheriff Christofferson stood leaning over Hooker at the moment and I was standing astraddle his head as he lay under the floor of the house where we found him. Hooker had been told to come out hands first. He came part way, enough to show his head and shoulders when suddenly he turned over and made a move with his revolver under the floor. Not knowing whether he had a gun where he could reach it or not, I fired. The bullet struck him two inches above the right nipple and came out over the right shoulder blade, dropping to the ground."

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 29.—Minto's funeral was held this morning from the Elks' home. State officials and hundreds of residents joined in paying a last tribute.

### WALL STREET TO CUT BIG MELON IN LOAN TO ALLIED NATIONS

GIGANTIC DEAL HAS BEEN FINISHED—PUBLIC WILL SHARE TO SOME EXTENT.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Wall street is prepared for a big melon cutting. It had successfully arranged a half billion loan with the allies' commissioners, which means approximately ten million dollars profit for those "on the inside." Bankers will get their portion of the bonds at ninety six. On each hundred dollar bond they will net two dollars for they will sell to the public at ninety eight. The public's share in the melon slicing will be five and forty-six hundredths per cent, secured by France and England as first liens. For the men who engineered the gigantic deal, the interest rate will be higher for they will buy at two dollars less than the general public.

### ITALIAN WARSHIP IS SUNK AND MOST OF CREW LOST

ADMIRALTY CONFIRMS DESTRUCTION OF VESSEL—REAR ADMIRAL DIES.

ROME, Sept. 29.—The destruction of the Italian battleship Benedetto Brin by fire and explosion was confirmed by the admiralty. Rear Admiral Rubin Decervin was killed. Three hundred and seventy nine men and eight officers were rescued from a total of 720 of the crew. A preliminary investigation precluded the possibility that the vessel was the victim of attacks.

## BRITISH CAPTURE FIRST AND SECOND LINES FROM GERMANS IN THE FIGHTING ABOUT LOOS

Thousands of Shells are Being Hurlled Against Enemy in the Second Phase of One of the Greatest Battles in History--In One Section, Germans Reported to Have Lost Three Army Corps.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—A storm of shells are bursting over the western front in the second phase of one of the greatest battles in history. In the Champagne and Artois regions the allies are hammering the Germans, hoping to exhaust them in an endeavor to penetrate their front. An official statement claimed that the British have taken the first and second line of the German trenches and are striking at the third line around Loos.

Unofficial reports said the allies are again heavily bombarding the German defenses from Ypres to Arras. The line is shaken from the shock of thousands of shells smashing at the second and third lines.

Artillery wrecked the first lines before the drive started Saturday. The new bombardment is taken as a forecast of a second drive deeper into the German strongholds.

PARIS, Sept. 29.—French forces made important gains in the Artois and Champagne regions yesterday and last night, an official communiqué stated. The French stormed and captured Hill 146, dominating the Vimy heights, east of Sochez where the German losses were more than three army corps or about 120,000 men. It was officially estimated. More than 63,000 were captured in the Artois and Champagne regions.

Serious artillery fighting is going on along the line north and south of the Aisne and in the region of St.

Mard Woods near Troyon and in the Vally regions.

President Poincaré sent a letter to Minister of War Millerand, declaring the French have proved their superiority over the best German troops in the battle. Millerand forwarded it to General Joffre with a note of congratulation.

BERLIN, Sept. 29.—Several rows of trenches captured by the British in the battle north of Loos have been retaken by the Germans, an official statement claimed. At every point of the western front the allied attacks in the past 24 hours have been repulsed but the Germans admit they were unable to eject the enemy from 200 meters of trenches northwest of Sochez.

## MEXICAN TROOPERS FIRE OVER RIO GRANDE AT U. S. PATROL

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 29.—Mexican troopers have fired across the Rio Grande near the Laferia pumping station, according to reports that reached here. The firing lasted half an hour, 500 shots being exchanged with the American cavalry patrol. No

### Club Wheat Worth 76 Cents Here Now

Club wheat is now worth 76 cents per bushel in Pendleton and it is said a man desiring to sell may secure more. There is practically no selling however as farmers refuse to take such prices. Some wheat has been consigned and it is reported farmers are now borrowing money at banks on wheat receipts so as to avoid selling at present prices.

Chicago, Sept. 29.—(Special)—At the close today, Sept. 29, 1918: Dec. 24 5-8; May 97 1-4.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 29.—(Special)—Bid prices today, club, 85; bluestem 90.

Liverpool (Yesterday)

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 29.—Wheat—Spot, No. 1, Manitoba, 11s 10 3/4; No. 2, 11s 4 1/2; No. 3, 11s 7 1/2; No. 1 northern Dutch, 11s 4 1/2; No. 2 red western winter, 16s 3/4; No. 2 hard winter, 11s 10 1/2.

In American terms the Liverpool price is now \$1.72 per bushel.

## RAIN OF SHELLS IS FALLING ON RUSSIAN LINES IN THE EAST

CONTEST FOR POSSESSION OF RIGA AND DVINSK CONTINUES FEROCIOUSLY.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Trapped like rats in the floods in the Pinsk marshes, nearly the whole of the forty-first German army corps have been brownsed, according to the Times' Petrograd correspondent. He claimed his information was "confirmed from good quarters."

LONDON, Sept. 29.—While a terrible battle rages on the western front, the struggle between the Germans and the Russians on the eastern lines is proceeding "with the same fierceness as previously," according to a Petrograd official statement. Shells by the thousands are exploding over the Russian lines. The contest for Riga and Dvinsk goes bitterly on. The statement admitted that "at many places the enemy still shows extraordinary artillery activity."

Southeast of Osmanska a fierce battle is raging.

### MAJORITY OF BUTCHERS IN COUNTY ARE HONEST MEN

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REACHES CONCLUSION AFTER PROBE.

The majority of the butchers of Umatilla county are honest in the belief of J. Alton Yeager, official sealer of weights and measures, and he bases his belief upon an investigation he has been making into their methods of dealing with the public. During the past two weeks he has, he states, in addition to testing and repairing scales, made a secret investigation of the weight of meat packages sold by retail meat markets in various parts of Umatilla county. He found very little short weights, he says, and in some instances actually found the packages overweight. His investigation was made by purchasing meats at markets where he was unknown or sending in strangers where he was known. Having secured meats in this way, he reweighed the packages on a delicate pair of scales. In some cases he found the butchers weighing in heavy wrapping paper and charging from 18 to 25 cents a pound. These butchers were warned against such illegal acts. Where paper is necessary at all, he

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## On Way to See President

SECRETARY OF NAVY DANIELS AND HENRY FORD.

The picture shows Secretary of Navy Daniels and Henry Ford, the Detroit automobile manufacturer and philanthropist leaving the navy building in Washington for a call on President Wilson. Mr. Ford secured permission to visit the Brooklyn navy

yard and inspect the submarines. Mr. Ford is of the opinion that submarines one sixteenth the size of the present under sea boats and propelled by gasoline can be built. The cost will be about one sixteenth of the present cost he says.

## PROTEST IS MADE ON CONTEMPLATED RAISE IN SWITCHING RATES

REPRESENTATIVES OF MILLS HERE AND AT ATHENA VOICE OBJECTIONS.

Protesting against the contemplated advance in switching charges here and at Athena, H. B. Hlydenstein of the Pendleton Roller Mills and M. L. Watts, manager of the mill at Athena, were before the public utilities commission at the switching charge hearing held here this morning.

The hearing was held at the Commercial Club rooms with F. J. Miller as the only member of the public service commission present. The railroad companies were represented by a bevy of officials and attorneys, while the millmen presented their cases in person.

## First Photo of Men Who Will Settle Fate of Mexico



From left to right:—Senor don Ignacio Calderon of Bolivia; Senor don Carlos Maria de Para of Uruguay; Senor don Joaquin Mendez of Guatemala; E. C. Sweet, the secretary of the conference, of Washington; Senor Romulo S. Non of Argentina; Senor Domitilo de Gama of Brazil; Secretary Lansing, and Senor don Eduardo Suarez Majica of Chile. This is the first photograph for which the South American diplomats who with Secretary of State Lansing have taken up the question of Mexico have posed in a group. They are hard at work on the problem of settling the differences between the Mexican factions in order to establish a government and prevent further bloodshed. It is said on good authority in Washington that at the next meeting about three weeks hence, the conference will come to a final determination as to which Mexican faction is to be recognized.

## LOVE OF FORMER HUSBAND LED TO LONELY JOURNEY



Mrs. Edith Hughes Relates on the Witness Stand Her Trip to Meacham Cabin in the Dead of Night.

## MADE SEARCH FOR LETTERS

Ex-Wife Wanted Evidence That Ira Hughes Was Intimate With Another Woman—She Declares Her Desire Was to Win Him Back—Denies Threat to Burn Home.

Taking the stand in her own behalf, Mrs. Edith Hughes, on trial for arson, held the witness stand for the greater part of the morning and told, sometimes with emotion, of her deep affection for her former husband, Ira Hughes, and of how her desire to win him back had led her to make a lonely night trip through the timbered mountains about Meacham to his cabin in the hopes that she would find letters that would show his intimacy for another woman. This trip to the cabin was made on the night of August 30, the night upon which the cabin burned to the ground, and, while admitting that the fire might have been started from matches she had lighted, she denied that she had intentionally caused the fire. Mrs. Hughes was the only witness of the defense and finished her testimony both on direct and cross examination at 11:30. The state had only a few rebuttal witnesses and the case in this afternoon being argued to the jury.

## HE IS CANDIDATE IN RACE FROM 3RD WARD

A. J. OWEN ANNOUNCES WILL RUN FOR COUNCIL TO SUCCEED SEBERT—PLATONISM IS SET FORTH.

A. J. Owen, foreman of the Burroughs planing mill and well known resident of Pendleton for many years, today announced his candidacy for councilman from the third ward to succeed John Robert, whose term expires. Mr. Owen states that many of his friends have been urging him for some time to enter the race but that he demurred until last night, when he definitely made up his mind to become a candidate.

## NEWS SUMMARY

General. Wall street will share in big melon over loan to allies. Hooker, escaped convict who killed Warden Minto, is himself killed by officer. British have taken two lines of German trenches in the Loos region. Local. Public utility commission hears protests against increase in switching charges. Mrs. Hughes on stand, admits having gone to former husband's house on night of fire; avows deep affection for him. Three-fourths of voters yet unregistered. A. J. Owen announces candidacy for council. Broncho busting is profitable business for Lee Caldwell. Umatilla county butchers mostly honest, says Yeager.

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Mrs. Hughes denied that she had ever made threats to burn her former husband's home, branding the testimony to that effect as false, and she denied that she had ever threatened his life to Deputy Sheriff Joe Blakely. She denied much of the other testimony which was calculated to show that she harbored malice toward her ex-husband and asserting strongly that her principal motive in life, since her husband had divorced her, was to win him back.

She declared that he was attached to another woman and a letter, purporting to have been written to him by this woman, was introduced as evidence. She said she found it in her letter box and that the letter had been previously opened, she said. Mrs. Hughes admitted all of that testimony introduced by the state to show that she had gone to Meacham on the evening of August 30, and had gone out to the Hughes cabin. She told of her solitary trip over the mountain road at night, of her arrival at the cabin, of being compelled to break the door down and to open a trunk with an ax and of her failure to find any letters such as she wanted to find. She took a lamp part way back with her, she said, but threw it by the roadside when she found it necessary to return to the house after her veil.

## Three Fourths The Voters Have Not Been Registered

Though registration for the city election has been on at a lively rate since last evening there are still indications of a light registration unless a vast amount of eleventh hour registering is done. Since last evening Registration Clerk Halley has been a busy man and approximately 150 voters were registered in addition to the 350 previously enrolled. Shortly after one o'clock today the log book was reached and Mr. Halley had not had time to go to lunch. In order to take care of those who work during the day time Mr. Halley has announced he will keep the books open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week from the hours of 8 until 10. The registration period closes next Tuesday, October 2 and all failing to register will henceforth have to be sworn in or lose their vote. At the present time only one fourth the voters of the city have registered with the result that registration will have to be carried on briskly and continuously up to the last minute or many will be left out.