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# HICKMAN IS TAKEN IN OREGON

## Confesses Kidnaping Little Girl But Says Did Not Murder Her

In Confession to Associated Press Correspondent He Insists Man By Name of Cramer Killed And Mutilated 12-Year-Old Marian Parker

### DID NOT OFFER ANY RESISTANCE WHEN OFFICERS STOPPED HIM

### Had Sawed-Off Shot Gun Beside Him As He Sped Along In Car Which Had Been Stolen in Los Angeles; Talked Wildly and Incoherently

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 22.—(AP)—William Edward Hickman, youthful fugitive wanted as the kidnapper and slayer of Marian Parker 12 year old Los Angeles girl, was captured at Echo, Oregon, this afternoon.

Hickman, trailed closely by reports of his progress from Seattle, Washington, where he had passed one of the \$20 bills he took from the girl's father, was found by two Pendleton officers on the Old Oregon trail as he sped in a car which he had stolen at Los Angeles.

He was taken without resistance, a sawed-off shot gun was found in the car beside him. He confessed that he wanted the money obtained in the kidnaping to go to college.

Reports telling of Hickman's flight east on the Columbia river highway from Portland where he was seen early today appraised officers of his approach to this section.

Chief of police Tom Gurdane and State officer Buck Lieuellen, saw a big green car approaching and stopped at a curve in the highway to watch its approach. The car answered the description of the one stolen by Hickman.

They hailed the driver. The car did not stop, and the officers gave chase, drawing up alongside, covering the driver and cautioning him to stop. Hickman was at once apprehended and a search revealed the bills taken from the girl's father.

Officers roped off an area around the jail. The crowd milling about to get a glimpse of the prisoner, was orderly and restrained.

Hickman tonight confessed telling a broken story of the kidnaping. At the time he endeavored desperately to shift the blame for the mutilation of the girl upon the shoulders of his partner, a man he named as "Andrew Cramer."

Hickman's story, told soon after his capture to an Associated Press correspondent was broken and incoherent. He told how he had planned the kidnaping of the girl in order to raise money to attend college. He said he had not been cruel to her and that she was murdered and dismembered by Andrew Cramer, an accomplice. He related how he had treated the child gently and had become friendly with her and how he had taken her to a motion picture show the night before she was slain. He quoted the girl as saying "I wonder what the school kids will say when I go back. They will want to know what I did and everything."

Hickman was questioned concerning his partner in the crime. He said "Cramer did not stay in the same apartment with me I met him only by appointment. I did the kidnaping and Cramer murdered the girl without my knowledge."

## MRS. LINDBERGH REACHES MEXICO

### Crowds Rush Onto Field and Twice Prevent Planes From Making Landing

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The first woman to fly from the United States to Mexico, mother of the first man to fly from New York to Paris, had only one moment of fear on a 2,000 mile trip from Detroit.

The moment was when Mrs. Evangeline Lindbergh and her famous son met. The fear was not herself nor for her son, but for the eager spectators who rushed before the downcoming plane to welcome Lindbergh and his mother. Without the police control deemed necessary when Lindbergh arrived at Val Buena, two thousand persons gathered to witness Mrs. Lindbergh's arrival and twice forced her son back into the air in order to avoid damage to the crowd or to the planes.

Mrs. Lindbergh landed at 3:44 p. m. Col. Lindbergh had come out to meet her and escort her to the field. When Lindbergh flies to Nicaragua from Honduras on his Central American tour, he will be advised to fly high or make a detour in order to avoid any possibility of outlaws taking a shot at his plane.

This advice was given since it was thought that the followers of the rebel leader might take a shot at any plane. As soon as the Colonel leads the capital of Honduras mounted national guardsmen will play Paul Reveres and advise the inhabitants that Col. Lindbergh is coming.

## SIDDONS SAYS GOVERNMENT MUST CLOSE UP ACCUSATIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—After counsel in the case had agreed to combine the contempt and intimidation charges in the oil jury tampering case, Justice Siddons today decided that the first government must clear up the accusations that it had intimidated witnesses during the hearings.

## \$500 in Donations Received In Santa Club Membership

The destitute and poor of Wayne county are this year being better provided for than ever before as the result of the Wayne County Santa Claus club organized by The News in cooperation with R. H. Edwards, county superintendent of welfare. Those becoming members of the Santa Claus club donated a total \$144.50 in cash and provided for the entire needs of 14 families. In addition to these was a great quantity of food and clothes were distributed. The total value of food and clothes given, plus the cash donations, would reach \$500.

## SUIT RESULTS FROM ACCIDENT

### Ask \$20,000 From Bus Company Who Was Killed In Accident

Thomas J. Peter, administrator of the estate of Cora May Mitchell, asks damages of \$20,000 against the Dixie Transit Company of Wilmington, in complaint filed yesterday in the office of Clerk of Court J. B. Hooks.

On the night of September 29 about 6:30 Mrs. Mitchell, was riding with her husband in a wagon on highway 40, several miles south of the city. The wagon, the complaint states, was operated in accordance with all state laws, was on the extreme right of the road with right wheels off the shoulder and on the dirt part of the highway. Despite these precautions, alleges the complaint, the Dixie Transit bus struck the wagon knocked Mrs. Mitchell, her husband and three infant children to the highway. Mrs. Mitchell was thrown with such force against the pavement that she suffered a fractured skull and this caused her death in a local hospital four weeks later, says the complaint. The wagon was demolished in the accident.

Carelessness and negligence upon the part of the driver of the bus is alleged as the cause of the accident and it is upon this premise that the damage of \$20,000 is asked.

## FRENCH NET STARS HERE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The three B's of the French tennis world—Jacques Brugnon, Jean Borotra and Christian Boussus—are here. They arrived yesterday from Rio Janeiro after matches in Chile, Uruguay, Argentina and Brazil. Representing the racing club of Paris they will play a team of the Penn A. C. in Philadelphia Friday and a series of matches in Chicago Saturday.

## THE "HUMAN" OSTRICH DIED AFTER OPERATION

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Sidley Barnes, 51, "Human Ostrich" died today after an operation in which a cigar box full of bolts, car parts, razor blades, washers and nails was removed from his stomach. For 27 years he "swallowed various articles of hardware as a side attraction in circuses and carnivals. Two weeks ago he became afflicted with the "stomach ache" and went to a local hospital where an operation was performed.

## Capture Sidelights

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Mrs. Eva Hickman, collapsed here this afternoon when she learned that her son had been captured.

"It can't be true," she sobbed. "My place is by him," she added. "I only hope that he gets a square deal," she said.

## DETECTIVE CHIEF MOVED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Herman Cline, chief of detectives almost collapsed when told Hickman was captured.

Cline trembled with emotion as he got the details of how Hickman had confessed and admitted his identity. As the news of the capture passed outward from the press, the city was attended by an air almost of celebration. Thousands upon thousands rushed newsboys on the corner for extra editions.

## NO HARRIS HOTEL

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Investigations as to the Hotel Harris in this city revealed no trace of Andrew Cramer, named by Hickman as an accomplice in the murder of Marian Parker.

Hickman told police in Pendleton he was to meet Cramer at the Hotel Harris here, but there is no Hotel Harris here or in Oakland. The police are now searching California for the man named Cramer.

## FATHER WOULD RATHER BE DEAD

EL PASO, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Thomas Hickman, father of the accused slayer broke down and wept when he admitted he was the father of the youth. "I would rather be dead than—and in Hell a thousand times than to think a child of mine would commit such an atrocious crime," he said. "I love my child as much as anyone could love a son, but I want to see justice done, even thought it strikes at the heart of my family. My family has never had a stain on it."

## STUDY EARLY AMERICAN LIFE AND TIMES FROM LIBRARY IN CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND, Dec. 22.—Cleveland is a mecca for the study of early American life and times. Few think of it as such. But Caroline Robbins of London, England, has made the trip across the Atlantic in search of material which can only be found in this city.

She is here collecting material for a thesis on the time when the early New England settlers began, in their writing and thought to differentiate from the English traditions, and to develop a culture distinctly their own.

## MAY NOT RAISE SUB TILL SPRING

### If Weather is Favorable Might Get Wreck Up in Week But This Hardly Expected

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 22.—(AP)—The second submarine S-4, which lies in 17 fathoms of water, off this harbor may not be raised until next spring. Officers of the fleet of naval vessels assembled here to salvage the vessel made this fact definitely known tonight.

Rear Admiral Brumby, directing salvage operations, said the vessel would go on while weather conditions remained favorable, but said they would be suspended as soon as winter weather set in for certain.

It was pointed out by several officers after a conference that if the extraordinary weather of the past two days continued the submarine could be salvaged within a week.

The navy department ordered that the salvaging should be done as soon as possible, it was said "this being interpreted as meaning as soon as the work could be done without endangering the lives of the divers."

This as much as the officers and men on the submarine would admit it would be foolhardy to risk the lives of divers to recover the bodies of the crew, it was said.

## INSANE CRIPPLE WEST ON RAMPAGE

BRUNSWICK, Maine, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Raymond Pett, 23-year-old insane cripple, who shot and wounded his father and mother here last night, was captured today but not until after he had killed Mrs. M. E. White, 78, in her home at Topsham, and had been critically wounded by officers.

## QUEEN ELIZABETH IS MUSICIAN AND ARTIST

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, is known throughout the world for her heroic work as a nurse during the War. Few people, perhaps realize that she is an excellent musician and very fond of literature and the plastic arts.

## Definite Word Of Cement Factory

NEW BERN, Dec. 22.—(AP)—It was announced here today that a \$3,000,000 cement plant would be erected by the Carolina Cement Co. before September 1, 1928. This is the culminating announcement following long plans for the company here.

## "I've Killed Man," Says LaGrange Man to Deputy

Henry Farmer, LaGrange man, went free under \$100 bond yesterday pending a hearing for alleged assault upon John Denning, another LaGrange man.

Farmer went direct from the jail to a local store to purchase himself a hat, to take the place of the one he lost after running into a creek after shooting Denning several nights ago. Then he was going home to spend Christmas with his folks.

According to the story told by Deputy J. A. Whitley, both Denning and Farmer had been enjoying something too much of Christmas spirits on one of the cold nights of this week. They fell out, said Whitley, Farmer pulled his pistol and fired. Then he ran, ran until he stumbled into a creek.

The shock of the icy cold water against his body, served to further convince him that he must have killed a man.

He tumbled out of the creek, his clothes freezing as he ran, and stumbled to the nearest light. It burned in the home of Deputy Whitley. "May I come in?" asked Farmer.

## TO DECIDE ON COLLEGE CASE

### Whether Or Not Goldsboro Wants Pineland Junior College is Object Meeting

Whether or not Goldsboro shall accept the proposition made to move Pineland Junior College to the city will be definitely decided at a meeting to be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms next Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. It has been learned that efforts have been begun by several towns and cities in Eastern North Carolina to secure the school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones, co-presidents of the institution, will be present at the Wednesday meeting to answer any questions. G. C. Royall, chairman of the chamber of commerce committee which has directed investigation of the matter, will preside at the meeting.

Pineland could be brought to Goldsboro if the city would donate a site and erect buildings worth \$100,000 for housing the college, under the proposition made by the Pineland administration. In return the present Pineland plant at Salemburg would be deeded to the directors of the school upon its removal to Goldsboro.

## JURY EFFORT IS A FAILURE

### Judge Rules Remus Must Spend Christmas In Jail And Until Sanity Test

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Intervention in behalf of George Remus, by the jury which found him to be insane at the time he killed his wife, Imogene, failed today and, apparently removed the last possibility of Remus getting his freedom for Christmas from the jail where he awaits his probate court sanity hearing.

The jurors petition said the jury "sought to have the defendant returned to his mother and family by Christmas."

It recited that the jury, in returning its verdict of "not guilty of murder on the sole ground of insanity" did so after a careful consideration of the facts and that it was a fair and conscientious expression of the ten men and two women on the jury.

Remus was denied bond yesterday, because the jury found Remus to be insane at the time of the slaying and it was the legal presumption that he shall be adjudged insane until he is present mental condition is established.

## Man Robbed At Pistol Point

### In Ten Days Have Been Five Successful and Five Unsuccessful Theft Attempts

A series of robberies in Clinton were climaxed early Wednesday evening when two negroes held up and robbed C. B. Brown, Clinton insurance man of \$50. The hold-up took place on a prajac residential street in the Sampson town, advices reaching here said yesterday, and was accomplished at the point of a pistol.

Two negroes accosted the insurance man as he was walking along the street.

"Got change for a dollar," one of them asked him.

The insurance man ran a hand into his pocket and as he did so one of the negroes flourished a pistol.

"Give us your money," was the command. The command was obeyed for the point of a pistol was pointed close, and its calibre seemed to yawn as huge as the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

Advices received here yesterday were that the negroes were still at liberty.

The past ten days has seen as many as five successful entrances into stores on Clinton main street, and as many attempts have been made but proved unsuccessful. Merchants of the town are stirred to a high pitch and many of them have expressed their desire for better protection from future entrances into their stores.

Doing their work before midnight, robbers Tuesday evening made successful entrances into the stores of the J. R. Watson Co. on Vance street. The Watson store is minus a considerable sum in change that was left in the cash drawers, estimated at about \$50 and also articles taken from the counters in the store, while the firms of C. F. Collins, suffered its biggest loss in the breaking of two large plate-glass windows in the front of the store. This store was robbed of a suit of clothes and several other articles of wearing apparel, which were displayed in the front window.

The culprits, whose identity is not known as yet, are believed when making an entrance into the Watson store to have left a motor running in an automobile used by them when they broke the glass in the door to prevent detection. When they entered the store through the hole broken in the glass, a general ransacking of the cash drawers took place and all the change left there was taken, together with other articles, the amount of which has not been determined.

Articles taken from the Collins store were those that were on display in the front window and included a suit of clothes and other apparel. The two large windows were almost entirely demolished. Further loss was probably prevented when an officer approached the scene of the robbery and fired several shots at the robbers, who fled with such speed as to make it impossible for the officer to identify him. None of the shots are thought to have hit the target. A shoe, the mate to another in the window of this store was found Wednesday morning and it is thought that the person or persons breaking into the store lost it in the hasty retreat.

## ON THEIR WAY

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Dieudonne Costes and Joseph Lebrun, about 1,100 miles closer to New York today, having reached here from Santiago, Chile, after 13 hours and 22 minutes of non-stop flying.

## BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS

RALEIGH, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Involuntary proceedings, in bankruptcy were instituted in the local Federal Court Thursday by petitioning creditors against J. H. Hallow, merchant of Goldsboro. The petitions aver that Hallow's debts were in excess of \$1000.

Do you Xmas SHOPPING EARLY

ONLY 2 MORE DAYS