

NOT SO EASY TO MAKE OWN WAY; BOY GOES HOME

Son of Omaha Man Wanted To Make Own Way In World Alone

BY A. J. LORENZ, Universal Service Correspondent. Chicago, Aug. 11.—The wanderlust trail of Lester Lapidus, 17 year old son of millionaire family of Omaha, led back home Monday night. Footsore, hungry, his clothes torn, Lester who was sought by airplane and radio by his wealthy father, Harry Lapidus, was found Monday after his disappearance from the citizens military training camp at Des Moines week ago.

"I wanted to see if I could make my own way in the world," said Lester, dejectedly, "and found it wasn't so easy."

His youth was against him when he sought work. Then, when hunger gnawed he was willing to go back and close his little book of adventure.

First Request for Mother. He admitted his identity when searchers recognized in the weary looking youth the Omaha boy for whom \$5,000 reward had been posted. And, like any good boy, his first request was that he be permitted to telephone his anxious mother at Omaha.

"Mom, I'm all right and coming home right away," he said. Then he turned to those who befriended him:

"I had no real reason for leaving home. I have a wonderful home, a fine father and mother. I'm not crazy either and I hope they don't say I'm a bit off. I just wanted to make my own way."

"I'd been studying hard at high school, stood at the head of the class. I even went to summer school. When the boys went to summer training camp I went along."

Army life, however, did not appeal to him and so he left camp. "I felt that the army discipline meant I never could come back so I had to choose, and when I made up my mind I wrote my people that they would never see me again."

He discarded his army clothes, all except his khaki breeches, for a motley arrangement—a striped coat to set off his disguise—that he was anything but a millionaire's son.

From Des Moines he walked and caught rides, until he reached Galena, Mo. There he communicated with his parents, but instead of waiting for answer, stuck to his resolution. Through the rains and storms of the past week he walked until he reached Chicago. There he thought he could get a job, make good and go back with a bag full of experience.

He hadn't counted on getting hungry, though, and when the searchers found him leaning against a building near the Michigan boulevard bridge, he forgot resolutions and—well, he was willing to eat and go home. The lesson he learned, Lester said, was this:

"I never knew how particular people are about who works for them."

Rain Fails to Dampen Enthusiasm of Davis

Nominee Delivers Speech Despite Downpour—Many Desert Goff Plaza

Universal Service. Clarksburg, W. Va., Aug. 11.—The heavens were not kind to John W. Davis when he made his speech accepting the democratic nomination for the presidency. A steady shower of rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, fell during his speech, causing many who had gone to the open air exercises in Goff Plaza to go away.

Davis was protected by a shelter built over the platform and continued bravely through his speech to the end, Hundreds who had neither raincoats nor umbrellas stuck it out with him and applauded him with enthusiasm.

Toward the end of the speech, the wind swept the rain in upon the nominee so women in the audience furnished an umbrella which was held over Davis' head. Despite this protection he was pretty well drenched when he got through. He finished the speech at 9:55 o'clock having spoken exactly 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Body of Murdered Woman Found in Clump of Bushes

Benton Harbor, Mich., Aug. 11.—With an inflated bracelet the only mark of identification, the authorities here Monday sought to learn the identity of a 23 year old woman found slain in a clump of brush 10 miles south of here.

The body had been hidden more than a week, physicians declared, and the features were nearly obliterated. The slain woman, examination revealed, was soon to become a mother.

HAWARDEN STATE PARK IS NOW ASSURED

Hawarden, Ia., Aug. 9.—(Special)—This community now has a State Park in very fact. Representative G. L. Venard has been notified that the executive council, meeting August 5, approved the action of the state board of conservation in authorizing \$8,000 for the purchase of 77 acres of land now known as Oak Grove, six miles northeast of Hawarden for state park purposes. This land was part of the John Felkema farm and Mr. Felkema was paid \$19,000 for the site.

BIRDMEN PLAN 800-MILE HOP

Jump From Reykjavik to Fredericksdal Considered More Likely Course

BY DAMON RUNYON, Universal Service Correspondent. (Copyright, 1924.)

Aboard U. S. S. Richmond, Off Reykjavik, Iceland, Aug. 11.—Get out your old school map of Greenland. Look for a tiny place called Fredericksdal, down towards the southern end. You can more easily locate it, by finding Cape Farewell, which has been well named if the fate of many mariners is to count.

Fredericksdal which was named for King Fredericksdal the Fourth in the days when all that region was King Frederick the Fourth land, lies about 85 miles northwest of Cape Farewell.

I am inclined to think you will read the names of Fredericksdal quite often in connection with the American world flight before long. I expect to hear Lieut. Lowell Smith, commander of the world flight, announce within a few days that the fliers will take the chance of jumping from Reykjavik to Fredericksdal, a distance of approximately 800 miles.

Reports from the cruiser Raleigh, which is out prospecting for a landing place in the region of Angmagssalik indicate that there is small chance of that point being used as a base for the fliers.

The Raleigh has encountered a long ball of ice 90 miles off Angmagssalik and two icebergs.

Captain Watts of the Raleigh, says it is doubtful if Angmagssalik can be made use of by the planes. The weather along the entire east coast of Greenland is preventing the Raleigh from making any headway, as being entirely surrounded by ice and fog she fears to move.

The floating ice hummock damaged the starboard propeller of the cruiser. Captain Watts does not believe that Angmagssalik could even be used as a base to be established by planes from the Raleigh and the Richmond, as planned by Admiral Magruder. It had been planned, if a suitable base could be found, to carry the supplies to it with planes from the American cruisers.

Two Courses Open

If this plan does have to be abandoned then there are two courses of action left:

1.—To make the attempt to fly to a base on the west coast of Greenland direct, or:

2.—To refuel at sea, probably off Cape Farewell.

It is considered probable that the better chance is to fly direct to Fredericksdal. The distance is greater than is felt to be completely safe, and the weather is likely to be foggy and uncertain.

The second plan would be practical in fair weather, but it is extremely difficult for the planes, when fully laden with fuel, to hop off from the surface of the ocean if there is any sea or swell.

BANKERS AGREE TO RAISE LOAN

Move Believed Important Step Toward Realization Of Dawes Report

BY ROBERT J. PREW, Universal Service Correspondent. London, Aug. 11.—The most important step yet taken toward the realization of the Dawes report was when the bankers Monday determined to accept the task of raising the \$200,000,000 loan for financing the scheme. In the opinion of the bankers, the rate of interest should be 7 per cent, the price of the issue 93, and that the British and American banks should underwrite 91 1/2 per cent of the total.

Although there was no formal session of the allied conference, much work was carried on by means of conversations, the most important being between Premier Herriot of France, Foreign Minister Stresemann of Germany, and Premier MacDonald of England, in which the military evacuation of the Ruhr was discussed. There was no definite conclusion, but each participant is hopeful of a satisfactory agreement.

France asks from 10 to 12 months to complete the evacuation, while Germany wishes to have it completed in not more than six months.

M. Clementel, French finance minister, also discussed economic suggestions with Dr. Stresemann, seeking to arrange for the mutual export of commodities in equal amounts.

RUSS COURT FRENCH

Riga, Aug. 11. (I. N. S.)—Soviet Russia shortly will make representations to the French socialist government for a treaty conference similar to the Anglo-Russian conference just concluded in London, according to word from Moscow today.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN ANNUAL PICNIC

Yankton, S. D., Aug. 9.—More than 1,000 members of Martyr council, Knights of Columbus, and their families attended the first annual reunion and picnic of the council at Wildwood park here Friday.

A program of sports and contests was staged in the afternoon, following a picnic dinner. A dance and concert was provided in the evening.

Yes, the Bosses Were There, But They Failed to Get Across Their Usual Line

From the Kansas City Star. From the speech of William H. Johnston, chairman of the La Follette convention at Cleveland: "The nation has witnessed... the antics of what seemed to be a disorderly mob meeting in New York City, but which responded to boss control quite obediently in its voting."

There were bosses in the New York convention; it would be foolish to deny it, because they were visible to every eye and could readily be identified by their worried air and patent helplessness. They were there, but the convention was not controlled by them, and so far from being obedient in its voting the convention, for the longest period in political history, voted persistently and defiantly in opposition to their wishes.

The convention performed some extraordinary antics, it is true; it is true it seemed to be a disorderly mob, and these things are true because it was not boss controlled. If the bosses had been in control it would have performed no antics, nor would it have acted like a mob. It would have been as orderly and voted as obediently as did the convention over which Mr. Johnston presided at Cleveland, which nominated Mr. La Follette by acclamation.

Bosses are not here defended, but impartial judgment must accord them their due; when they function they produce the finest examples of steam roller efficiency that have been witnessed in politics. When they are in control things go smoothly; individualism is neatly suppressed, opinion is smothered, minorities are corked up. But none of these things happened in Madison Square Garden. What seemed to be rioting was individualism sloshing around uncontrolled. Opinion ran free, mostly in futile circles. Minorities broke loose and played some extremely bad politics, precipitating controversies on the floor that made the judicious grieve.

Poor Mr. Brennan and poor Mr. Taggart were tossed like corks on a raging ocean. Poor Mr. Taggart couldn't even control his own candidate, who quit the race. Poor Mr. Brennan went about dazed, looking for a place to light. His boss-ship was a thing for derision. In his most critical fight he tried to borrow a few votes from Mr. Taggart and couldn't. Mr. Taggart couldn't deliver them. The bosses couldn't even trade with each other. They had nothing to trade.

The New York convention may not have been an edifying spectacle for democracy; it wasn't the best example of parliamentarism; but if self-misrule is better than boss misrule, it at least did its own mismanaging. That is some progress, anyway. If it deadlocked, that's only what government does as a rule. If it got out of its deadlock without the aid of bosses, that's better than government does as a rule.

SCHOOLS OF DAVISON COUNTY GET STATE AID

Mitchell, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—Eleven rural schools in Davison county received state aid this year, according to an announcement made by Mrs. Alma Lehigh, county superintendent of schools. This is several less than received aid last year.

Mrs. Lehigh said, and the reason is that the various township boards engaged several teachers who held only first grade certificates. Each school in the class under which rural schools are listed for state aid, received \$130, so that the 11 schools brought a total of \$1,430 into the county during the last year.

TAKE PRISONER BACK TO UTAH FOR TRIAL

Elk Point, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—Sheriff George B. Mann, of Farmington, Utah, near Salt Lake City, left this week for his home with Dr. E. J. Emmons, on a charge of having issued a worthless check and removing a mortgaged automobile from the state of Utah. He was arrested here by Sheriff E. E. Sherman about two weeks ago. Sheriff Mann returned Monday from Pierre with extradition papers signed by Governor McMaster for Dr. Emmons' removal.

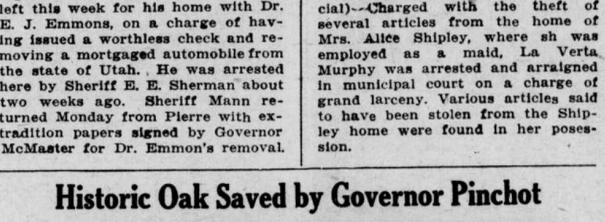
BIG BUS DRIVER IS TAUGHT TRAFFIC LESSON

Rushmore, Minn., Aug. 9.—(Special)—This morning as the driver of one of the buses running from Minneapolis to Sioux Falls attempted to turn his machine around in the middle of a block on Main street here instead of going to the intersection, the top of the bus caught a tree which stood outside the curb line, and two large limbs made a total wreck of the top portion of the machine. Two women passengers were aboard, but fortunately happened to be sitting on the opposite side of the machine and neither of them or the driver received any injury.

CHARGED WITH THEFT FROM HER EMPLOYER

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—Charged with the theft of several articles from the home of Mrs. Alce Shipley, where she was employed as a maid, La Verta Murphy was arrested and arraigned in municipal court on a charge of grand larceny. Various articles said to have been stolen from the Shipley home were found in her possession.

Historic Oak Saved by Governor Pinchot



Here is shown the official order, signed by Gov. Gifford Pinchot, of Pennsylvania, saving the oldest oak tree in Chester county. The tree, 200 years old, stands in a bend in the road near the Upper Octoraro Presbyterian church and cemetery at Parksburg. Surveyors straightening the road were to have destroyed the tree, but the townspeople appealed to Pinchot, who, as former U. S. forester, is a keen lover of trees, and who ordered it spared.

HAWARDEN NOW HAS W. C. T. U. ORGANIZATION

Hawarden, Ia., Aug. 9.—(Special) Under the direction of Mrs. Laura B. Hale of Des Moines, field secretary of the W. C. T. U., an organization was perfected in Hawarden during the past week with Mrs. Eveline French as president; Mrs. Stella Cooper, secretary, and Mrs. Bessie Sedgwick, treasurer. The first regular meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Sedgwick on the first Tuesday of next month.

TO HAVE PART IN GREAT LEGION PARADE

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—South Dakota will be represented by many solid blocks of parade at the American Legion's national convention which will be held at St. Paul, September 15 to 19, according to local legionnaires who are in close touch with preparations for the state's part in the big meeting. South Dakota will represent the grain growing section, and it is planned to have threshing machines in operation in the parade.

Greece Threatens To Invade Bulgaria

Athens Sends Ultimatum to Stop Raids or Take Consequences

Universal Service. Berlin, Aug. 11.—The war clouds hanging over the Balkans are becoming darker. According to press dispatches from Athens, Greece has served an ultimatum on Bulgaria threatening to occupy Bulgarian territory unless the raids of alleged Bulgarian bands into Greek Macedonia are stopped.

The ultimatum at the same time notified Bulgaria that Greek troops would pursue the bandit gangs into Bulgarian territory and inflict summary punishment.

Other dispatches report that the Bulgarian government has declared martial law on the ground that the opposition parties are making common cause with the communists for the overthrow of the government. The government recently increased the army without waiting for proper permission from the allies.

AMERICAN NAVAL CRUISER ORDERED TO HONDURAN POST

Universal Service. Washington, Aug. 11.—The navy department Monday afternoon announced the receipt of a message from the commanding officer of the special service squadron, in the Caribbean sea, Rear Admiral John H. Dayton, reporting he had directed the cruiser Galveston at Guantanamo, Cuba, to proceed at once to Ceiba, Honduras, in order to confer with the American consul regarding the question of affording protection to Americans and other foreign nationals during the present revolution. The second with six months.

STORLA, S. D., FARMER KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mitchell, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—Joe B. Johnson, a farmer living near Storla, S. D., was instantly killed late Thursday night in an automobile accident which occurred midway between Storla and Letcher. Returning home at a late hour at a high rate of speed, Mr. Johnson lost control of his car just as he was passing a wagon load of hogs driven by Roy Mathias. Johnson was thrown from his car into the ditch and was killed outright. His car was smashed. One of Mr. Mathias' horses was killed but he escaped injury. Johnson is survived by his widow and three children.

HERE ARE PLEDGES MADE BY DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE

In speech accepting the democratic presidential nomination, John W. Davis made the following pledges:

- An honest, impartial, and so far as human wisdom will permit, a just government.
- Opposition to any challenge—organized or unorganized, under whatever name or in whatever character it may appear—of the constitutional guarantees of religious freedom.
- Enforcement of all laws, including the prohibition amendment and statutes enacted under it.
- Agricultural aid through revision of the tariff; governmental assistance in extending the cooperative marketing principle and by other means.
- Reduction in taxation and revision of the tariff.
- Economy in government, but NOT of the kind that deprives government employees of pay equal to that they would receive from private employers for similar work.
- Approval of the world court.
- Co-operation of the world with all legitimate endeavors whether from the League of Nations or from any other source, to lessen the prospect of war; to aid in repairing the ravages of past wars; to promote disarmament and to advance the well being of mankind.
- To maintain the means of adequate national defense "until reason is permitted to take the place of force."
- In opposition to the impairment, "either by injunction or by any other device" of the rights of labor to organize and to bargain collectively for "an adequate wage earned under healthful conditions."
- The protection of women and children from human greed and unequal laws.
- Prevention of child labor and suppression of the illicit traffic in soul destroying drugs.
- Conservation of all of the natural resources of the country.
- "Grateful care" to the "veterans of our wars, especially to those who were stricken and wounded in the country's service and whose confidence has been so cruelly and corruptly abused."

SHOWS LARGE TOMATO GROWN IN OWN GARDEN

Yankton, S. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—A tomato weighing a pound and 11 ounces was being exhibited by Charles Smith, of this city. It was grown in his own garden, and is one of the largest, if not the largest, ever seen here.

TREMORS IN TOKIO

Tokio, Aug. 11. (I. N. S.)—A light earthquake shock was felt here early today. There were no casualties and the damage was slight.

DEFENSE TO END CASE TUESDAY

State Prepares to Turn Heavy Guns on Boy Slayers

Universal Service. Chicago, Aug. 11.—The defense will rest Tuesday.

That announcement, made in Judge C. Caverly's courtroom, meant that the first chapter in the trial of Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb had come to its close.

Tuesday morning the defense will offer one or two unimportant witnesses and then the prosecution, directed by State's Attorney Crowe, will begin offering its testimony.

The state hopes to show Judge Caverly that Leopold and Loeb are not insane and that hanging should be the penalty for taking the life of little Robert Franks.

The end of the trial is not so far away. Ten days or two weeks should see Judge Caverly pronouncing sentence. What that sentence will be depends upon what the state is able to offer in the meantime.

Dr. Harold S. Hulbert was the last alienist to testify for the defense. State's Attorney Crowe, in cross examining the witness, won an admission that Leopold and Loeb had lied to the alienists.

Smells "Frameup"

The state's attorney indicated by his line of questioning that there might have been a "frame up," that the college youths might have misled the alienists.

Dr. Hulbert gave it as his opinion that the youths are mentally diseased. He admitted he had reached this conclusion from information given him by the youths themselves. On a few details he caught them in deliberate lies, he said.

Spectators tittered when Dr. Hulbert told of his examination of Loeb. "Did you find anything in Loeb's physical examination to indicate that he was a criminal?" the state's attorney asked.

"Yes, the fact that he injured his leg in a baseball game in jail would indicate he was a criminal," the learned doctor said with a smile.

Thrills Scarce

It was only occasionally that the spectators got a thrill out of Monday's session. Droning technical question was followed by droning technical answer, unintelligible to the layman. The burden of the state's attorney appeared to be to show that the new "chemistry of character" was not altogether what the defense claimed for it.

Dr. W. O. Krohn, alienist for the state, is expected to be the star witness in tearing down the "abnormal mind" plea of the defense.

Dr. Krohn has had experience. He has testified in a dozen or more criminal cases where the defense hoped to escape through showing insanity. They all failed to escape the penitentiary and gallows through that plea.

There will be about 50 witnesses put on the stand by the prosecution, according to Mr. Crowe. Among them will be college professors, former schoolmates, boys and girls, who will rebut testimony given by other classmates of the youths, who testified for the defense.

With their case before Justice Caverly, Leopold and Loeb walked out of the courtroom and back to jail with hopeful expressions on their faces. Things have been mostly by their way this far in the trial. But when State's Attorney Crowe unleashes his heavy guns—well, smiles may fade from the lips of the defendants.

Allen Loeb, brother of Richard, had spent the weekend in Michigan, with his mother, Mrs. Albert Loeb. He came into the court room Monday, bright and fresh and walked over to his brother and talked for a minute.

Mrs. Loeb will not come to the trial, Allen said.

State's Attorney Crowe marshaled his forces Monday night to outline the attack that opens when his turn comes Tuesday. He made it clear that his chief concern will be to overthrow the stronghold of near-insanity and irresponsibility that the defense has built up and offered as a mitigating circumstance. The defense does not ask that the youths be acquitted. They have already confessed the crime. But the defense wants Judge Caverly to believe they were not altogether responsible and should not be hanged.

Irish Boundary Row May Go to League of Nations

Universal Service. Dublin, Aug. 11.—The Irish boundary dispute may be referred to the League of Nations as the only possible means of reaching a settlement. The Anglo-Irish treaty was recently registered with the League.

In view of the latter fact, it is suggested that Britain and the Free State may ask the League to carry out a plebiscite to settle the question.

It is expected that bills constituting the boundary commission will be passed by the end of October, and that it may begin to function before the end of the year.

Hughes Due Back Soon

Washington, Aug. 11.—Secretary of State Hughes is expected to return here August 14. He is at present on board the President Harding on which he sailed from Cherbourg, August 7.

FINANCE MARKET BRACED

Rome, Aug. 11. (I. N. S.)—Italian financial and exchange markets were stronger today as a result of news from London that the reparations conference is nearing a settlement.