



## AUTO RAMS TRAIN; 3 PERSONS HURT

### Steel Gondola Car Hit on Portland Street.

## ONE OF INJURED MAY DIE

### Driver Had Been Drinking, Says One of Victims.

## CRASH NOT EXPLAINED

### No Member of Party Able to Tell Exactly How Accident Happened at Lighted Crossing.

Three persons were injured, one perhaps fatally, and a fourth escaped unharmed when the automobile in which they were driving crashed into a Southern Pacific freight train standing across Grand avenue at Sherman street near the Inman-Poulsen lumber mills late last night.

The injured are:

Ernest T. Johns, married, 619 Harvey avenue; crushed skull.

Catano Piccolo, 18 years old, 1650 East Seventeenth street, lacerated face and scalp and contusions to head.

Earl Stanish, 24 years old, 748 Telemo avenue; fractured right arm.

## YOUTH ESCAPES INJURY

### The fourth occupant of the car who was not injured was Wallace Smoker, 17 years old, 1707 East Nineteenth street.

The car belonged to Johns, who was driving when the accident occurred. According to Smoker, Johns had been drinking. The police found a bottle of moonshine in the machine and also two empty bottles.

The automobile was traveling north on Grand avenue and the freight train, on the spur track leading to the Inman-Poulsen mills, was standing still. Smoker and Stanish both said they must have been going about 25 miles an hour at the time and the machine was not under very good control. Stanish had offered to drive it, but Johns had refused, saying that he was able.

## NO EXPLANATION GIVEN

None of the boys could give an explanation of the accident. The streets were well lighted at that spot, but no one seemed to have noticed the train. The automobile plunged against a loaded gondola coal car and wedged itself underneath. The impact threw Johns through the windshield and he was hurled head first against the side of the iron coal car. Stanish, also in the front seat, was thrown to the side and suffered a broken arm. Neither Piccolo nor Smoker, in the rear seat, was thrown out of the car.

Johns and Piccolo were both unconscious when help arrived on the scene. A call was sent to the police and a doctor from the emergency hospital was rushed to the scene. He ordered Johns to Good Samaritan hospital and the other three boys to the emergency hospital. Stanish later was sent to St. Vincent's when examination showed his arm was broken.

Johns is employed at the Portland Rug works and the others gave their occupations as laborers.

Attendants at Good Samaritan hospital at midnight said that Johns' chances for recovery were slight.

## AUTO MAN SHOTS WIFE

### Head of Chicago Agency Then Cuts His Throat.

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 26.—Edgar C. Frady, president and treasurer of a large Chicago automobile distributing agency, shot his wife, probably fatally, and cut his own throat at a hotel here today, according to the police. Both were taken to a hospital, where it was said their condition was critical.

After firing three bullets into his wife's body, Frady attempted to cut his throat with a safety razor blade. Falling in this, he resorted to a knife to complete the act.

The hotel proprietor, attracted to the suite by the sound of the shots, told the police that Mrs. Frady was still conscious when he entered and declared to him that "he did it," pointing to the bathroom, where her husband's body lay.

The police reported they were unable to find an explanation for Frady's act, other than that the couple had quarreled.

## FATHER DROWNS INFANT

### Seven-Months-Old Son Is Thrown Into Bathtub and Left.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Walter Little, 19, a clerk, confessed tonight, the police said, that he drowned his 7-months-old son in the bathtub of his Bronx home today because his young wife refused to return to him.

Pressed for an explanation, he was said to have declared that he decided to "end it all by killing the baby and having the state electrocute me." He was arrested on a homicide charge. Officers said Little told them he kissed the child several times, dropped it into the water and then ran to tell his wife of his action.

## CITY OF 2000 B. C. FOUND IN PALESTINE

### SIX OTHERS BUILT ABOVE IT DURING 4000 YEARS.

### Leader of Expedition to Bethshean Files Report, Revealing Important Finds.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Traces of an ancient city dating back to 2000 B. C.—the oldest town ever discovered in Palestine—have been found by Dr. Clarence S. Fisher, leader of the University of Pennsylvania museum expedition to Bethshean, whose report of his first year's excavations, made public yesterday, told of finds even more important than had been anticipated.

Remains of seven different cities built during 4000 years on the same space and topped by the citadel of Bethshean, now known as the little village of Beisan, have been discovered by Dr. Fisher, together with valuable relics of all kinds, including a large tablet inscribed with hieroglyphic characters of about the 14th century, B. C. According to oriental custom, each city was leveled off and a new one built on the ruins, so the top of the citadel to which the first season's excavations of the expedition were almost entirely devoted is now more than 100 feet above the plain, giving the appearance of an artificial hill.

Dr. Fisher's first find was an Arab city, constructed about 630 B. C. Below it was uncovered a Byzantine city of an earlier period containing some large churches elaborately decorated, and below this were the remains of a Roman city. In addition a deep trench dug from the top to the bottom of the hill, so as partially to uncover all of the various strata, disclosed traces of a Greek city, a Scythian city and at the bottom a city built about 1700 B. C. The expedition will resume operations in the spring.

## AIRPLANE DID NOT FALL

### Pendleton Aviators Landed at Cascade Locks, Says Official.

The mystery concerning an airplane, supposed by a number of residents of Stevenson, Wash., to have fallen somewhere near Cascade Locks last Friday, was apparently solved last night when the sheriff at Hood River (telephoned to the sheriff's office here) said it had been learned that the occupants of the plane were the Mitchell brothers of Pendleton, that their plane did not fall, but that they made a landing at Cascade Locks Friday afternoon and took off again Saturday morning for Pendleton.

## IRISH DELEGATES CONFER

### Discussions at London Said to Have Proceeded Smoothly.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Irish delegates to the Irish provisional government conferred for an hour and a half this afternoon at the colonial office with Winston Spencer Churchill, colonial secretary; Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, and Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, secretary for war.

## WOMAN, 95, SON SLAIN

### Second Aged Offspring, Found Wandering in Home, Arrested.

BURLINGTON, Kan., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Jane Wrinkle, 95, was found in her home here yesterday with her head cut off. Nearby was the body of her son, aged 70 and unmarried, with the top of his head hacked away.

## BENEFIT RAISES \$39,273

### Society Women Make Money by Operating Hotel Biltmore.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—One day's operation by women at the Hotel Biltmore for the benefit of the Society for the Relief and Prevention of Tuberculosis added \$39,273 to the fund, the society announced today.

## RADIO NEWS FEATURE

The Sunday Oregonian has inaugurated a permanent radio department. It will contain news and gossip of radio operators, particularly in Portland and vicinity, and helpful suggestions for all who are interested in this fascinating science. Hundreds, probably thousands, of amateurs have recently installed radiophone receiving sets in their homes. They will find this new department, the first to be established in Portland, both interesting and valuable to them.

## PROSPERITY ERA IS NEAR AT HAND

### Threatened Coal Strike Disturbing Factor.

## MINERS WILL LOSE HEAVILY

### Cost to Country Generally Declared Much Greater.

## WAGE SCALES STILL HIGH

### Trained Economic Observer Points Out Many Indications That Nation Is Nearing End of Pinch.

BY HARDEN COLFAX.  
(Copyright, 1922, by The Oregonian.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—More freight is rolling over the rails today than in any February since 1912. Also, for the first time since the period of economic adjustment started, the traffic is heavier than it was during the corresponding period in either 1920 or 1921.

Corporations with authorized capital stock of more than \$2,000,000,000 have taken out charters since January 1. This is an increase of 25 percent over the corresponding period in 1921.

Stocks and bonds are climbing to high ground. The price level is equal to about the highest reached last year.

What is up, due possibly for a reaction, and then, as market observers see it, in for a long, steady, healthy climb to reasonably higher levels.

## ART RENAISSANCE SEEN

### Galleries Blossoming Everywhere, Says Chicago Sculptor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The central and western states of the country are undergoing a renaissance in art, says Taft, Chicago sculptor, declared today in an address at memorial services for Solon Hannibal Borglum, the New York sculptor who died last month.

Mr. Taft said the greatest material evidence of this movement was that art galleries were "blossoming everywhere, not as cold-storage plants for works of art, but as places of inspiration for the talented."

## COAL STRIKE THREATENS

### That factor is the threatened coal strike. Indications seem to point with certainty to its coming. As April 1 nears, the coal situation will become more and more dominant in the country's industrial affairs. The big volume of traffic on American (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

## CITY'S REPAIR SHOPS DAMAGED BY BLAZE

### LOSS IS ROUGHLY ESTIMATED AT \$15,000.

## FIREMAN IS SEVERELY CUT ON TEMPLE WHEN HIT BY FALLING BAR; FLAMES CAUSE UNKNOWN.

Fire, breaking out in the Municipal repair shops, Twelfth and Powell streets, last night caused damage roughly estimated at \$15,000.

Orbreau Smith, 35 years old, fireman with Engine 9, was severely cut on the right temple when an iron bar fell upon him. It knocked him out. He was rescued by a comrade.

An investigation was begun last night to determine the origin of the flames. Ordinarily there is someone on duty in the building night and day, but on Sunday afternoon the only mechanic goes home at 4:30. The watchman yesterday was Nelson T. Woods, 3120 Woodstock avenue, who lives at home about 5 o'clock. From 5 o'clock until 9:54 P. M. when the first fire alarm was telephoned to the city hall, the building was deserted. No theories were advanced as to the origin.

The repair shop is of red brick, two stories and basement. The basement and first story are fireproof, the second story and roof being of lumber. Most of the fire damage was to the second floor, and rafters and roof probably will have to be replaced.

Police patrol No. 1, a large automobile, had been taken to the repair shop for some minor adjustment. It was caught in the flames and when rescued by firemen had lost all of its paint and the leather cushions had been scorched and water-soaked.

## TRUCK DRIVER LOSES \$8,000 LIQUOR LOAD

### BOTTLES EXPOSED CROSSING TRACK AT ST. HELENS.

## SPEED OFFICER CATCHES GLIMPSE OF WHISKY AND ARRESTS NERVOUS MAN AT WHEEL.

ST. HELENS, Or., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—A nervous truck driver, who appeared to step just a little too heavy on the accelerator, exposed the contents of the truck to the eye of a St. Helens traffic officer and lost a \$8000 load of 1080 quart bottles of bonded whisky, while crossing the railroad track on his way through St. Helens late Saturday night.

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## STARS TO GET PLACES

### Harvard Applies Methods of Meas- uring Distance From Earth.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 26.—Hundreds of stars, the distances of which are still unknown, will be assigned their places in space for the first time by recently developed methods of measuring their distance from the earth now being applied at Harvard college observatory, it was announced today. The new methods are based upon a study of the spectra and displace the former parallax method of triangulation.

## CREW ROWS 200 MILES

### New Foundland Fishing Schooner Founders at Sea.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Feb. 26.—The crew of the New Foundland fishing schooner Howard Parks rowed 200 miles in an open boat after their vessel had foundered and reached Barbadoes yesterday.

## PRESIDENT'S GIFT LOST

### \$6000 Diamond Brooch Returned Owner by Hotel Bellboy.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 26.—A diamond brooch, gift of President James K. Polk to his wife, which was lost last night, was restored today to its owner, Mrs. George W. Fall of Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Fall, adopted daughter of the late president's widow, was a guest at a beach front hotel in an open boat after their vessel had foundered and reached Barbadoes yesterday.

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