TRAINS DELAYED BY LANDSLIDE

Huge Boulders Roll on Southern Pacific Track in Cow Creek Canyon.

MORNING TRAIN WILL ARRIVE THIS EVENING

Prominent Railroad Men Were Detained in the Accident in Douglas County.

North-bound passenger train No. 16, on the Southern Pacific, due in Portland at 7:25 o'clock this morning, has been delayed 12 hours by a slide in Cow Creek canyon, in Douglas county, and will not arrive here until about 8 o'clock tonight. On board the train are a number of well-known railroad men, including E. E. Calvin, general manager of the Harriman lines in Oregon; R. R. Ritchey, general Pacific coast agent of the Northwestern system, and M. J. Roche, traveling passenger agent of the Denver & Rio Grande, who is en route home from the national convention of the American association of passenger agents held at the City of Mexico.

The slide occurred last night, a mile and a half south of West Fork. The steady rains of the preceding 24 hours softened the soil, and heavy boulders, with which Cow Creek canyon is littered, began sliding down on the right of way. The great stones loosened masses of earth, and the track was soon covered with rocks and dirt, forming a huge barricade. As soon as crews of shovelers and a wrecking train could reach the scene the work of removing the debris began. The regular running schedule of trains was resumed today.

PITIFUL STORY IS YOUTH'S ONLY CAPITAL

By telling a pitiful story of want and blasted ambition, a boy, about 16 years old, has reaped a rich harvest. Complaint has been made to the police and detectives are now searching for him.

"I have been out of work for some time," his story runs. "A few days ago I did a man a favor and he gave me money enough to get a meal ticket at a restaurant on Burnside street, but this restaurant has burned down, and now I can get nothing to eat. You remember the fire—the one where $18 is supposed to have been stolen from the cash register while the firemen were fighting the flames. All I want is enough to buy a meal or two."

Everybody who heard the sad story yielded money, in amounts ranging from a few cents to a dollar. Complaint was made to the police yesterday by one of the lad's numerous victims.

Spontaneous Aristocracy.

From the Detroit Free Press.

"That Mrs. Snaggs is too much of a aristycrat fur me to mingle wid."

"How's that?"

"She was knocked down by a push cart and she had it put into de paper dat she was hit by an autermobile."

PEOPLE'S PROTEST MADE IN VAIN

Hamilton Avenue Sewer Built on a Hill, Must Be Paid For.

ASSESSMENT WILL BE LEVIED ON THE DISTRICT

Conduit Constructed Against the Wishes of Taxpayers in the Neighborhood.

Assessment of cost of construcing the Hamilton avenue sewer will be passed in the face of the remonstrances of a large number of property owners who claim they will reap no benefits from the drain.

This is the sewer which was built on the side of the hill above Macadam street in South Portland in such a manner that the property owners from the east side of Macadam street to the river cannot connect with it for the reason that the drain is many feet higher than the houses.

At the meeting of the sewer committee of the city council this morning a large number of remonstrances were heard, but all were recommended placed on file and the assessment levied. The residents are taxed from $35 up for the costs of the sewer, and if they are to obtain any benefit from it they say they will have to construct a lateral sewer, which will cost a large sum of money. The property owners on the east of Macadam street argue that sewer facilities will cost them a much larger sum than other land holders who own property located above the main drain.

The Hamilton avenue sewer was built under protest from a large number of property owners in the first place. They desired the sewer to be constructed in a manner that would be of benefit to the entire sewer district and would not require any lateral drain to be laid. The wishes of the property owners were overlooked, and it was placed upon the hillside.

One of the property owners remarked this morning that he thought Councilman Zimmerman could explain why the sewer was constructed as it is.

Many remonstrances against the assessment of costs of building the South Portland, Fulton and Fulton Park district sewer were placed on file and a recommendation was made to the council to pass the assessment ordinance.

KELLOGG DISAPPEARS TO ESCAPE ARREST

Charged with assaulting a girl 8 years old, the daughter of the cook employed in his restaurant, at 289 Stark street, C. Kellogg has disappeared, and G. Nicolai has been appointed receiver of Kellogg's property, pending the outcome of a damage suit for $5,000, by Frank Gellert, father of the child. The complaint alleges that Kellogg has left his restaurant and gone away, and that his property is in charge of no one.

The damage suit is based upon the allegation of assault by Kellogg.

SHORT SKIRT OR SHORT SHRIFT HERE

The Women in "The Show Girl" Company Wear Dresses of Walking Length.

Miss Josephine Floyd, of "The Show Girl" company, that plays at the Empire theatre next week, has inaugurated a dress reform; it hasn't spread very far yet, being confined to the members of

Miss Josephine Floyd.

"The Show Girl" company, but as there are about 40 of the fair sex included in that organization, and every one of them has adopted Miss Floyd's idea in wearing apparel, she thinks she has made a pretty good start.

The reform in question is that all skirts for the street must be made walking length—no trains go.

"They are an abomination," declares the actress. "Not only that, but they are a menace to health as well. I explained my dress reform idea to Mr. Whitney, who agreed with it at once, and had inserted in the company contract that no girl, principal or chorus, could join unless she absolutely agreed to conform to my ideas regarding the length of her gowns."

WOODMEN AND FRIENDS SPEND HAPPY NIGHT

The fourth of the 1,000 campaign concerts was held last night in Prospect camp No. 119, Woodmen of the World. Past Consul J. J. Jennings presided. The speaker of the evening was Dr. W. O. Manion, and his eloquent talk for the Woodmen of the World and fraternity was heard with marked attention. The following program was rendered under the direction of Prof. J. Adrian Epping, after which dancing was indulged in: Songs, Miss Petronelle Connally, Mrs. Eva Wells, Prof. J. Adrian Epping, Miss Retha Fowler, Mr. Theodor Esser; reading, Miss M. Bode.

These concerts are becoming very popular and much good is done on fraternal lines by them. The public is invited to all of the meetings. The next one will be held in Portland camp Jan. 4, Tenth and Washington streets.

RAILROAD OFFICES TO BE COMBINED

Chicago & Northwestern and Chicago, Minneapolis & St. Paul to Merge Positions.

FREIGHT AND PASSENGER AGENTS TRANSFERRED

Change Will Be Made at Once, and Portland Man Goes to Seattle.

A merger of the freight and passenger agencies of the Chicago & Northwestern railway and the Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Omaha railway companies in the Pacific northwest will be put into effect January 1. For 15 years these two companies, which are controlled by the Chicago & Northwestern, have maintained separate freight and passenger offices in Portland, on account of an alliance with the Union Pacific system. Peculiar conditions formerly existing have changed somewhat, and it is now regarded as feasible to combine them. Final arrangements will be made here tomorrow by R. R. Ritchey, general Pacific coast agent of the Northwestern system, with headquarters at San Francisco.

Henry L. Sisler, who for the last two years has been general agent here for the C. M. St. P. & O., will go to Seattle as assistant general agent for the Northwestern system. The agencies at Seattle and Tacoma will be merged under the jurisdiction of the C. St. P. M. & O., termed the northern line of the Chicago & Northwestern system, working in harmony with the Northern Pacific. Mr. Sisler's office force, C. J. Gray and J. B. Alexander, will occupy similar positions with the merged agency in Portland. Who the general agent here will be is not announced. Alonzo G. Barker, present general agent of the Northwestern at this point, said today that he had not been advised of the change. Mr. Barker has been general agent of the Northwestern here for the last 12 or 15 years.

Mr. Sisler, who goes to Seattle, is regarded as one of the promising young men in freight and passenger business, and Railroad Row regrets his departure from Portland.

There is a rumor to the effect that two jurisdictions will be established by the Northwestern system on the Pacific coast, one of them to be known as the Pacific northwest jurisdiction, in charge of which an eastern man will be located at Portland.

FAREWELL AND HAIL AT WHITE TEMPLE

An exceedingly interesting service has been planned to be held at the White Temple tomorrow night. It is to be a watch night service, in which a fitting farewell will be paid the old year and a hearty welcome given the new. The First Baptist church has extended a special invitation to all the Baptist churches of the city to unite in this service, and all other Christians are asked to come. There will be special music by the Temple quartet and chorus choir, and C. H. Hart will sing. A program has been arranged for each hour, from 8 o'clock until 12. Dr. Brougher visited Manager Fuller of the Portland Consolidated Railway company, and the cars on all the lines will run until 1 a. m. The last cars will leave the center of the city at that time.

The committee, appointed by the Baptist Ministers' association in conjunction with Dr. Brougher, has arranged the following service: 8 p. m.—Prayer and praise service. Rev. A. L. Black and C. H. Hart, leaders. 9 p. m.—Meeting of the Portland Baptist union. Dr. C. A. Woody will preside. Rev. M. M. Bledsoe will make the annual report. There will be short addresses by Rev. L. W. Riley and Mrs. Adams, the newly-appointed city missionary. 10 p. m.—Social hour and reception. Refreshments will be served. 11 p. m.—Preaching and consecration service. At the request of the committee, Dr. Brougher will preach. Subject, "The Trodden and Untrodden Path."

The service will close with a consecration meeting, and a very helpful and inspiring service is planned and expected.

MOTHER ARRESTED TO SAVE LITTLE GIRL

Sadie Gillette will not only be deprived of the custody of her 7-year-old daughter, Lillian, but will doubtless receive severe punishment for her conduct.

The woman was found living with Gillette, whose name she has assumed, at First and Columbia streets, over a saloon. Occupying the same room with her and Gillette was the little girl, whose father is said to be a resident of Oregon City.

An order of the county court, citing Mrs. Gillette to appear before that tribunal and show cause why her child should not be given into the custody of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society, was served on her this morning by Detective Hawley. Her trial in the police court has been postponed until January 11 for that reason.

MT. TABOR NOT READY TO INCORPORATE

Mt. Tabor will not incorporate. At a meeting under the auspices of the Improvement association, when the final vote was taken, the result stood 3 to 1 against incorporation.

George H. Andrews read the proposed charter and explained its provisions in detail, showing the safeguards it would throw around the property owners should it be adopted. A heated discussion in which many participated.

C. W. Gay took the lead in opposition to incorporation, stating that the town had nothing to gain by organizing under a charter. H. W. Hodges led the discussion favoring incorporation.

UNSIGHTLY SIGNS MUST BE REMOVED

Beginning with the first of the year the city license inspectors will start a crusade against the unsightly street signs which are so numerous in the business part of the city, and business men will be compelled to comply with the ordinance regulating those which extend over the sidewalks.

Signs extending not less than 18 inches nor more than 6 feet over the sidewalks will be allowed, but those desiring to erect them will have to get permits from the city engineer's office. Signs which do not comply with the ordinance will have to be removed.

Signs supported by iron brackets and extending not more than 6 feet over the sidewalk will be taxed $5 annually, payable in advance. Those supported by a post or curbing will be licensed $10 a year. Those erected across the street will have to pay $20, while temporary banners will be licensed $2 per week.

UNFORTUNATE GIRL HAD TO LEAVE HOME

Voluntarily leaving her home at Tillamook because of the conditions by which she was surrounded, Maud Brooks, aged 16 years, came to Portland yesterday and applied to the police for aid. Detective Hawley was notified of the girl's quest. After a conversation with her, he had her admitted to the Crittenton home.

Arriving in the city friendless and almost penniless, the girl took a room at the St. Charles hotel. Not knowing what to do she told her story to the hotel attaches, who immediately sent her to police headquarters. It is reported that the girl's story is a sad one and has created much sympathy in official circles.

ALEXANDER JOHNSON HERE.

Alexander Johnson of New York, general secretary of the national conference of charities and correction, is a guest at the Portland. Today he visited the headquarters of the Lewis and Clark fair and, with Superintendent Gardner of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society, made a trip to the exposition grounds. Mr. Johnson is completing arrangements for the national convention of the association, to be held in this city July 15-22, of next year.

Full Directions for Use.

From Collier's Weekly.

The inventor of a new feeding bottle for infants sent out the following among his directions for using:

"When the baby is done drinking it must be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under the hydrant. If the baby does not thrive on fresh milk it should be boiled."

"WANT AD" NEWS

Young men will find good chances to learn the barber trade by looking under "Help Wanted—Male." Nice clean business.

The housewife that has been debating as to whether to buy a sewing machine will find the Singer company offering rare bargains in shopworn goods.

The Journal's "Lost and Found" ads are the center of attraction because of the wonderful results they daily perform.

Yes, they will build you a house and furnish the lot if desired, will find the ad under "For Sale—Real Estate."

Successful business men read the "Business Chance" ads regular every day; there must be a reason why. No secret. Read them yourself and see.

Have you something to exchange for real estate? Look under classification "To Exchange"; maybe you can make a trade.

"Don't be lonesome," is the way an ad under "Personal" begins. It will interest both sexes who are living in single blessedness.

Salesmen looking for a place to display their goods, read ad under "For Rent—Miscellaneous." Just the thing.