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Saturday Rain

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LEROY THE MAGICIAN

Loses His Life While Oper-
ating Machine

NO CHANCE TO ESCAPE

Room a Mass of Flames and Exit Cut
Off, Wife Badly Burned in an
Effort to Save Her Husband
—Film Exploded.

(Special to The Evening News.)
Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—Eighteen year
old Belle Estep, the child wife of Joseph
Estep, the magician, lies in a
local hospital fearfully burned, with
only the barest chance for her life,
while her husband is dead from the
burns he received in the operating
room of a nicelodeon. Estep was
operating the picture machine at the
show house when the film exploded.
In an instant the entire room was a
mass of fire. The only exit was
through a little square hole, and in
the frantic effort of Mrs. Estep to
assist her husband to escape a horrible
death, the heroic young wife received
injuries which may prove fatal.
Physicians are doing all in their
power to save her, but hold out little
hope for her recovery. Estep was
well known on this coast, where he
formerly worked under the name of
Leroy the magician.

LESSON IN HIGH FINANCE.

How the Wells Fargo Co. Stockholders
Buy Shares.

New York, Dec. 23.—Stockholders
of the Wells Fargo Express company
at a meeting yesterday, assured
themselves of handsome Christmas
prospects when they gave their formal
approval to the proposition of the
directors for an increase in the capital
stock of the company from \$5,000,000
to \$24,000,000. The new issue of
\$19,000,000 is to be offered to the
stockholders, to whom a stock
dividend of \$200 a share is to be
declared. This dividend of \$200 a
share is to be paid out of the accumu-
lated earnings of the company. The
new stock will be offered to holders
of the old stock at par, in the pro-

CHRISTMAS BALL!
at the Armory
Saturday
EVENING
8:30 until midnight.
Given by the
Roseburg Orchestra
Admission
Gentlemen 75 cents
LADIES FREE

FREE
HOUSEKEEPERS, STORE-
KEEPERS, JANITORS
I have it now, a sweeping compound that will
meet the most exacting requirements. It is cheaper
than you have been using as it has less sand in it
and consequently lighter. It will not harm the
finest rug or carpet. It will take up all dust from
wood floors or covered floors. Unless floors are very
dirty it can be used more than once, again reducing
cost. Retail at 5 cents per pound. But that you may
know how it does its work I will give you a sample
package if you will bring this adv. with you. "The
man with an axe to grind," and this time I want to
know how many of Mr. Bates' readers see my adv.
F. H. Churchill
IRONMONGER

portion of two shares of new for one
of old.

The division of the company's sur-
plus which will result from today's
action of the stockholders, will take
its place among the richest distribu-
tions of profits by a large corpora-
tion in the history of American fi-
nancial operations. Worded out, the
dividend plan gives each stockholder
funds for the purchase of two shares
of new stock at par and \$100 in cash.

CHRISTMAS BREAKS
MISSOURI DEADLOCK

(Special to The Evening News.)
Butler, Mo., Dec. 24.—A desire of
the members of the Democratic Con-
gressional convention to get home
for Christmas is responsible for the
breaking of the deadlock that has
prevailed since Tuesday. In the ef-
fort to nominate a successor to the
late Congressman DeArmond, who
recently met death in the fire which
destroyed his home, 675 ballots were
taken, and then the matter was
finally settled by the choice falling to
C. C. Dickson, of Clinton, Mo., because
he members wanted to go home for
the Christmas holidays.

TWO FIREMEN KILLED
AND TWO WOUNDED

(Special to The Evening News.)
Lawiston, Me., Dec. 24.—The Cal-
lahan was totally destroyed by fire
this morning at an early hour, and in
an attempt to quench the flames two
firemen were killed and two others
so seriously injured that they may
not recover. The Callahan was one
of the largest buildings in the city,
and despite the heroic efforts of the
department the fire burned for
hours.

WHOLE FAMILY
LOST IN FIRE

(Special to The Evening News.)
New Castle, Pa., Dec. 24.—Nine
persons perished in a fire which
destroyed the home of Galtina DeGorbo
at Hillsdale, nine miles from this
city early this morning. The entire
DeGorbo family, including the hus-
band, wife and five children and also
two men who were boarding there,
lost their lives. Details of the helo-
caust are lacking.

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Will Be Served at the "Rose Cafe"
12 to 2 p. m. Tomorrow.

Menu: Chicken broth la Manigo;
Boiled salmon, Hollandaise sauce;
Ox tongue a la Platt; Roast turkey,
with cranberry sauce; Roast beef,
with nutron, veal with dressing;
fried spring chicken, a la Mary-
land; roast duck, apple sauce;
boiled chicken, Russian sauce;
stewed chicken pot pie, family style;
breaded pork chops with fried apples;
shrimp salad. Dessert, mince, apple
and lemon pie, fruit salad.

BORN.

OLLIVANT—To Mr. and Mrs. E.
M. Ollivant, at Looking Glass, on
December 23, a girl.

Rice & Rice have kept one of the
French transfer wagons on the wheel
all day long delivering the thousand
and one articles that have been
purchased for Christmas gifts. French
says the team and driver have had a
mighty strenuous day of it.

WILL TAKE CAPITAL
ROSEBURG TO FRONT

Estrada's Combined Armies
Moving on Managua

NOTHING TO STOP HIM

Government Forces So Badly Demor-
alized and Scattered That No
Organized Resistance Is
Thought Possible.

(Special to The Evening News.)
Bluefields, Dec. 24.—General Diaz,
commanding the insurgent forces, to-
day began an advance upon Managua,
and it is believed that before tomor-
row night General Estrada's entire
army will be moving toward the cap-
ital. Since the sweeping defeat of
the Zelayan army at Rama and Re-
caro, detachments of the rebel troops
have been in hot pursuit of the re-
treating foe that succeeded in elud-
ing capture at the time of the engage-
ment. Those remnants of the
government troops have either been
run into the mountainous country in
the interior, or have become so scat-
tered that they can offer no resist-
ance. There being no formidable
body of troops to hold the insurgent
army in check, it is practically set-
tled that the capital will fall a easy
prey to the well planned attack of
Estrada.

COOK UNWORTHY
OF ATTENTION

(Special to The Evening News.)
Forest Grove, Ore., Dec. 24.—Dr.
Cook has not only been turned down
by the scientific men of Denmark,
but this city has also passed unfavor-
ably upon him. Members of the
Christian church had made elabor-
ate preparation for a Christmas
celebration by the Sunday school
children, wherein Cook and Peary
and the North Pole were to play an
important part. Since the investi-
gating committee has turned down
Cook's claim to discoveries, he has
been "colophagized" by the church
people, and Peary will be the only
explorer present at the festivities.

MARK TWAINS
DAUCH 'ER DEAD

(Special to The Evening News.)
Redding, Conn., Dec. 24.—A bul-
letin has been posted announcing
that Miss Jean Clemens, daughter of
Dr. Samuel Clemens, better known
to the people of the country as Mark
Twain, was found dead in a bath
tub in the city today.
The failure of the maid's mistress
to appear in the dressing room caused
the former to make an investigation
and upon entering the bath room
found the young lady lying in the
tub where she had no doubt been
seized by an epileptic fit, having been a
sufferer of this disease for several years.

MINE DISASTER
IN ILLINOIS

(Special to The Evening News.)
Herrin, Ill., Dec. 24.—Although
searching parties have worked all
night under the direction of State
Mine Inspector Little, the bodies of
no additional victims of the explosion
which occurred yesterday in mine A
of the Chicago & Cartersville Coal
Co. properties, were found. Investi-
gation into the cause of the disaster
is being made today.

BALL PLAYER GETS
\$500 BONUS

(Special to The Evening News.)
Chicago, Dec. 24.—President Mur-
phy, of the Chicago "Cubs," an-
nounced his promise of a \$500 bonus
to Orval Overall, if the big right
hander wins the third game next
season. Overall drew down a handsome
extra sum for his work last season,
and this has led the president to
promise him another bonus if the
third game falls to the "Cubs"
through "Big Jeff's" efforts.

RAILROADS AND
SWITCHMEN CONFER

(Special to The Evening News.)
Minneapolis, Dec. 24.—President
Hawley and a committee of railroad
switchmen are again in conference
with the railroad managers in this
city today, and a strenuous effort
will be made to settle the northwest
switchmen's strike. Yesterday's con-
ference at St. Paul failed to bring the
dispute any nearer final adjustment.

ROSEBURG TO FRONT

Business Men Are Arranging
For Publicity Work

WILL EMPLOY EXPERT

Expect to Pay Salary of \$4,000 Per
Annum—Are Negotiating With
Thomas D. Richardson of
New York.

Realizing that Roseburg has reach-
ed the point in her history when well
organized effort is necessary to prop-
erly promote public interests, in or-
der that the city and county may
receive that recognition from the
country at large that is due, the busi-
ness men have come to the front in a
most laudable manner and are back-
ing, with their money and personal in-
fluence, a deal which will give to
Roseburg and Douglas county, during
1910, the publicity that this splendid
section of Oregon well merits.

Douglas county has a world of
country awaiting development. It is
an empire in itself. Its coal and tim-
ber; its fruit, farm and grazing lands
offer inducements to thousands of in-
telligent and industrious people, who,
if they only knew of the unequalled
opportunities offered here, would be
very happy to invest their money in
this favored section and become a
part of greater Oregon. It is to fur-
ther these interests that the public
spirited men who represent Rose-
burg's principal business enterprises
have undertaken this work of expli-
cation.

It is proposed that a man be em-
ployed to give his entire time to this
important matter and in casting
about to locate a man whose wide ex-
perience and knowledge of the east
and the people there would enable to
take up this proposed work in an in-
telligent manner, the Roseburg gen-
tlemen met, through the kindly of-
fices of Mr. Tom Richardson, the
Portland publicity campaigner, a gen-
tleman from New York, Mr. Thos. D.
Richardson (who, by the way, is no
relative of the former gentleman), to
whom a proposition has been submit-
ted. Mr. Thos. D. Richardson is at
present traveling the west in the in-
terests of Hampton's Magazine, a
New York publication, and is thor-
oughly familiar with the east and is
widely known in that section of our
country. Mr. Richardson spent yester-
day in this city in conference with
the business men, the result of which
may lead him to resign his work for
the magazine and take up his resi-
dence in Roseburg. Being a man of
no inconsiderable personal fortune
and having handled a great deal of
real property, Mr. Richardson has had
much experience in city building and
also in general public affairs.

After looking over the field, briefly,
and duly considering the deal as thor-
oughly as possible within so short a
time, Mr. Richardson agreed to ac-
cept the salary of \$4,000 per annum.
The gentleman left on this morning's
train for San Francisco, and in the
meantime the work of raising the

publicity fund is going on here, and
the business men will have fully de-
cided the matter within the next ten
days, and will then communicate their
decision to Mr. Richardson.

The employment of this publicity
manager by the business men has
nothing whatever to do with the Com-
mercial club, although it is stated
that if the deal is consummated Mr.
Richardson will work in conjunction
with any general publicity campaign
that may be inaugurated by the club.
Under these conditions, of course, the
business men are also back of the sal-
ary guarantee. To get at this impor-
tant matter a subscription paper was
circulated among those present at the
meeting with Mr. Richardson, and re-
sulted in a magnificent fund being
established for this purpose. The
amounts subscribed are for monthly
payments and the seven men or firms
who have undertaken to wish this en-
terprise along are as follows:

- W. C. Harding, per month \$50
J. W. Perkins, per month \$50
Josephson's, per month \$50
Seely, Sethers & Stewart per mo \$50
T. R. Sheridan, per month \$50
J. H. Booth, per month \$50
Douglas Co. Abstract Co. per mo \$50

These are the names of the individ-
uals and firms who are backing
one of the greatest advertising cam-
paigns ever undertaken in the state,
and the fund will no doubt be swell-
ed to much larger proportions by other
subscribers which are sure to be of-
fered by residents of this city and
county.

Roseburg is making greater strides
toward the proportions of a metropo-
lis than ever before, and it behooves
the community to be alert and awake
to the magnificent possibilities that
await us, and no surer way of build-
ing quickly and well can be found
than in the work that is about to be
undertaken by the gentlemen concern-
ed in this last and best enterprise.

WILL SPEND \$47,000

Pacific Telephone and Tele-
graph Company's

AMOUNT FOR ROSEBURG

System to be Entirely Rebuilt and a
First Class Service Given—New
Building Will be Ready
March 1.

Forty-seven thousand dollars is the
sum to be expended in the improve-
ment of the local telephone service in
this city by the Pacific Telephone and
Telegraph company during the year
1910. This news will be received
with pleasure by the many patrons
of the company and assures the pub-
lic a service equal to that to be found
in any metropolitan city in the state.
In making up their list of expendi-
tures for the coming year the com-
pany has decided that the above men-
tioned sum will be required in order
to carry out their plans for improve-
ment in Roseburg which will com-
mence at an early date after the first
of the year.

That the company looks forward
to a greater Roseburg is evidenced
by the fact that they will install a
switch board that will accommodate
six thousand patrons. In addition to
this new telephone will be installed
in place of all the old ones now in use
and an entirely different system used
for getting central. Instead of the
old way all that will be necessary for
the patron to do will be to take down
the receiver and give the number
wanted, and central will immediately
put you in touch with the desired
party. When completed the system
will practically be entirely new and
but few single wires will be used, it
being the intention to put the system
on a cable basis. The new building
now in course of construction by Ful-
leton & Richardson, and which will
be occupied by the telephone com-
pany, will be ready for occupancy not
later than March 1 and very shortly
thereafter the foregoing improve-
ments as announced will be put into
operation and another mark in the
progress of Roseburg will be a thing
of reality.

SEVEN BODIES RE-
COVERED FROM RUINS

(Special to The Evening News.)
Shawnee, Okla., Dec. 24.—Seven
bodies have been recovered from the
ruins of the Rock Island railroad
shops which was wrecked by an ex-
plosion shortly before noon today. It
is believed the bodies of fifteen work-
men are beneath the ruins and mass
of wreckage. The disaster was caused
by the explosion of a stationary
engine in the shops.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
PASSENGER WRECK

(Special to The Evening News.)
Toronto, Dec. 24.—The eastbound
train on the Canadian Pacific rail-
way filled with passengers bound for
home to spend Christmas, was wreck-
ed west of Sudbury, Ontario, this
morning. It is reported that eight
passengers were killed and seventeen
badly injured in the accident.

NEW TODAY.
FOR SALE OR RENT—Five acres
of the land with a nice 8-room
house; everything in good shape;
adjoining town of Canyonville; price
\$2,000, or will rent. For particu-
lars, apply to H. J. Wilson, Can-
yonville, Or.

Prescription Blank
WINTER AILMENTS
R. Out of sorts—unstrung? Want to be as merry as
a Bobolink? 'Tis astonishing what we--Doctors of Clothes
Troubles, and Tog "Newmonia"--can do for you! Here is
just the medicine you need--Let us "tone" you up.
For Cold in the head A New Scratch-Up Hat.
Chills Woolen Underwear "Stales"
Insomnia Flannel Pajamas
Cold Feet Interwoven Cashmere Hose.
Run Down Condition Cold Plunge--Then a Bath Robe
Headache A Derby Conform to Fit Your Head
Chapped Hands German Zephyr Gloves
Need a Change A. HARTH'S TOGGERY, Hand Tail-
ored Suits.
Let us fill this prescription for you at once and you
will feel like a new man.
HARTH'S TOGGERY
THE DOUGLAS COUNTY HOME OF THE REGAL SHOE