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BRIDGE OVER COWLITZ RIVER NEAR KELSO COLLAPSES AND CAUSES HEAVY TOLL OF DEATH

Vehicles and Pedestrians Are Thrown Into Swirling Torrent When Middle Span of Structure Opens Like Trap Door—Search for Bodies Is Unavailing.

KELSO, Jan. 4.—The salvage crew of the Pacific Bridge company, working with a floating derrick in the ruins of the collapsed bridge, at noon today had lifted four automobiles to the surface and others were said to be visible to the men wading the cables to the wreckage.

No bodies were discovered, but it is hoped that the removal of the automobiles will loosen the twisted timbers and release any bodies caught in the debris.

Another crew is working with cutting sledges to unshackle the skein of cables that were the support of the bridge and which now hold the mass of wreckage.

Rumors continue current regarding bodies found along the river bank. Deputy Coroner Van Noten has no official knowledge of any bodies being found.

KELSO, Jan. 4.—One body was found in the Cowlitz river this afternoon. One man is dead at the hospital and 15 are listed as missing, with possibility that ten or more additional may have lost their lives. Such were the developments this afternoon. The body which was found has not been identified.

KELSO, Jan. 4.—Probably eighty are dead as the result of the collapse of the suspension bridge over the Cowlitz river Wednesday evening, at 4:45 o'clock.

A weakened cable support on the east end of the bridge snapped. This released the tension on the west end cables and the suspension towers toppled. The jack-knife draw opened like a trap door, the long span, between 200 and 300 feet, flipped into the river while the bridge was carrying ten automobiles, trucks, wagon and team and about one hundred pedestrians.

Witnesses agree that about 150 people were on the bridge when it collapsed. These people were thrown into the swollen stream, among grinding and crushing bridge timbers.

The wreckage was carried a short distance down the stream and lodged against the abutments, where it was lashed in an endeavor to save the bodies thought to be imprisoned among the debris.

The rescuers worked all night, but were hampered by the darkness and high waters.

No bodies had been recovered by 8 o'clock this morning. C. O. McDonald died in the hospital early today as the result of internal injuries. Harry Kirk is not expected to live.

Among the known missing are Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Huntington and Lloyd Huntington of Kelso and Ben Barr, newly elected county commissioner of Woodland, Wash.

At dawn steamers and launches were dragging the river bed and divers from nearby towns were exploring the wreckage.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 4.—A search of wreckage of the collapsed Cowlitz river bridge began at daylight today.

Efforts are being made to determine the number of lives lost when the span collapsed at 5 o'clock last evening, carrying vehicles and pedestrians into the swirling torrent of the loaded river.

One of the seriously injured, George C. McDonald, Vancouver, Wash., died early today. This is the first definitely known casualty, in addition to about 30 reported missing and eight injured.

The bridge collapsed when the cable which supported the wooden structure snapped, precipitating the draws into the water.

Automobiles, trucks and teams, estimated at from 15 to 18, plunged into the river.

The total number of persons on the bridge was estimated between 40 and 100.

Some of the victims escaped by swimming and some were picked up by boats.

Three divers began work on the debris this morning in an effort to find the bodies pinned beneath the surface.

List of Missing
KELSO, Jan. 4.—(Asso. Press.)—A revision in the list of missing in the bridge disaster at noon gave the following unaccounted for:
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Huntington, farmers near Kelso.
Floyd Huntington, rural mail carrier, son of A. G. Huntington.
Ralph Chamberlain.
Harrie Millard, Woodland truck driver.
Benjamin Barr, of Woodland, county commissioner-elect.
W. F. Hartley, of Kelso.

Luther Hull, brakeman for the Inman-Poulson company at Mount Solo.
John Godfrey, of Moosjaw.
Robert Titland, of Tacoma.
John Cooper, foreman of the Longball Lumber company.
W. E. Philo.
W. F. Croake.
W. V. Buck.
The last three named were employees of the Westlake car company.
The officials are inclined to believe that the death list is about 15, though the general impression about Kelso (Continued on page six.)

PREMIERS ARE IN HOPELESS DEADLOCK

Italian Delegation Instructed To Refuse Proposal Made By British—Bonar Law Will Return Home

PARIS, Jan. 4.—Today's session of the reparations conference opened late owing to the delayed arrival of the Italians who had awaited a reply to the telegram sent to Premier Mussolini. The reply instructed the Italian delegation to reject the British reparations plan. The British delegates had averred that if the Italians opposed the British plan, the British would leave Paris. The conference adjourned at 4:30 p. m. until 5:30 o'clock.

Will Get Consideration
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Assurances of immediate consideration of the Robinson resolution, proposing American representation on the reparations commission were given by the administration senate leaders, after a conference today with the president and Ambassador Harvey.

Going Back To London
PARIS, Jan. 4. (United Press.)—According to members of the British delegation, Bonar Law has decided to end the useless discussion and return to London. Observers declare that the premiers' parley is in a hopeless deadlock.

Is Amicable Rupture
PARIS, Jan. 4.—(A. P.)—The allied reparations conference here broke up shortly before 7 o'clock this evening. "It is an amicable rupture," said a member of the British delegation. "France goes ahead without us."

NO FRICTION OVER DEPARTMENT CHANGE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Secretary Hoover denied today that there was any friction in the departments of commerce and agriculture over the transfer of the bureau of markets to the commerce department.

Leave for Portland
Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Jones, left by auto for Portland this afternoon to enjoy a several days pleasure trip.

GOVERNOR OLCOTT MAY BE A BANKER

SALEM, Jan. 4.—Governor Olcott, questioned here regarding his future plans after retirement, declared that he had several proposals under consideration but nothing definite has been decided. It is rumored that Olcott will enter the banking business possibly in California.

TURKEY CALLS ABLE- BODIED MEN TO FIGHT

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 4.—Turkey today called to the colors all able bodied men in the liberated territories of the Near East. The Ankara government ordered the mobilization after waiting word from Lausanne in regard to allied intentions.

PROSECUTION RANKS SPLIT WIDE OPEN

MER ROUGE, La., Jan. 4.—The ranks of the prosecution were split today as preparations were made for an open hearing tomorrow at Bastrop to investigate the hooded terrorism. Special Prosecutor St. Clair Adams announced his retirement because of the procedure of Attorney General Cocco.

PENDLETON MAN PRO- TESTS ROAD PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Fred Stelwar, of Pendleton, Oregon, today filed a protest with Secretary of Agriculture Wallace against the road building project near Pendleton decided upon by the state engineers and the agricultural department. Wallace will take up the protest with the state before action is taken.

MR. CARY SPEAKS BEFORE ROTARY CLUB

Interesting Address on Boys Work Given At Luncheon Held Today—Committee Report.

At the regular meeting of the Rotary club today Dr. Seely made a report on the progress of the boys' work affecting accommodations to be made in this city for the Boy Scouts. The rooms recently secured for the boys will soon be ready for occupancy and a campaign for funds and sufficient furniture for the apartments will soon be launched.

J. B. Cary, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, a recent arrival in Roseburg, and who has had much experience in various lines of boys' work spoke very interestingly on the subject, leaving a fine impression with his listeners. He spoke particularly on youngsters ranging in age from 12 to 14 years a time in every boy's life which he terms "Fool Hill Period." This is one of the critical periods in the life of the young, during which time particular attention and care should be given the child by parents in directing the future career of their boy in order that he may develop into channels conducive to best citizenship.

Mr. Cary has been interested in boys' work for many years and spoke from the standpoint of practical experience in handling the younger generation, and his advice would bring about wholesome results in any community.

NEW YORK COVERED BY SNOW BLANKET

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—A five inch blanket of snow suspended traffic today, and tied up ships in the harbor. Vessels entering the harbor were forced to anchor. The officers were unable to see through the dense fall. Two persons were killed by traffic.

Charging cruel and inhuman treatment, Annie F. Russell today filed suit in the Circuit Court for divorce from Jesse B. Russell. The couple was married at Yreka California, May 10, 1910. Attorney Carl E. Wimberly represents the plaintiff.

CLARA PHILLIPS, CONVICTED OF HAMMER MURDER, THOUGHT TO HAVE SPENT THE NIGHT HERE

Perpetrator of Sensational Murder and Jail Break in California Believed to Have Spent Night of December 16 in a Local Hotel—Description Tallies Closely

That Clara Phillips, perpetrator of the sensational hammer murder in California, stopped in this city on the morning of the 17th is believed following the receipt of circulars and a picture and description of the hammer murderess, the description tallying exactly with that of the overnight guest at the Douglas hotel, whose nervousness and peculiar actions attracted attention to her.

The woman suspected of being Mrs. Phillips arrived here at about midnight on the night of the 16th. She was accompanied by another woman who registered for them, signing the names of Patricia and Belle Marten. The women were totally unlike and the clerk is positive that they were not sisters. A man and Jap chauffeur composed the remainder of the party.

The chauffeur stated that they had made the trip from Yreka to Roseburg that day, having stopped at Yreka a short time to repair tire trouble. According to his statement they intended to make Seattle the next day. The Jap did not stay at the hotel.

Following their arrival the women went direct to their room and the one suspected of being Mrs. Phillips was not seen again until the party was prepared to leave the next morning. Shortly after 6 o'clock the man and woman accompanying the woman suspected of being Mrs. Phillips appeared for their breakfast. The other woman did not appear but remained in her room.

Shortly before 7 o'clock, the chauffeur drove the car around to the hotel, and after the luggage had been placed and everything was in readiness to start, the woman companion signalled and her friend hurrying down and went out to the car. The machine failed to start, however, due to engine trouble, and she quickly went back to the lobby and took a seat in one corner of the room where she could be fairly well hidden and at the same time see everything going on in the lobby and in the street.

She was an attractive woman and had several peculiarities which were immediately noticed. She had an extremely small foot which it was stated caused immediate comment. Clara Phillips wears a 1 1/2 size shoe. Particular attention was attracted by her pallid complexion and her worried look. She appeared to be a woman who had been ill or under a great strain for a long time. At that time no one suspected her of being Mrs. Phillips but in spite of the fact that no suspicion was attached to her everyone in the lobby at the time was watching her because of these peculiarities and her actions. She appeared to be badly worried and ever alert. Every person passing along the street was appraised by a quick glance while she seemed to shrink back into the corner as if to shield herself from sight.

Once she walked across the lobby to the entrance, but stepped back into the corner beside the door where she could look out and still not be seen.

While she was in the lobby the chauffeur was tinkering with the motor and finally succeeded in getting the machine started. In order to test the engine he stepped into the car and started south on Jackson street.

"Your party seems to be leaving you," the clerk laughingly said to the woman.

She appeared to be reluctant to speak, but finally said: "They are going back the way we came into town. But I guess they'll come back for me." She spoke with a slow drawl and a rather pronounced southern accent. This is prominently mentioned in the circular containing the description of Clara Phillips received here today.

Her voice caused one man in the lobby to remark, after she had finally departed that she appeared to have negro blood, this impression being strengthened by the contour of her face with its rather high cheek bones.

In a moment the party returned, the engine apparently working well. Again she started out to the machine, but just as she left the hotel the engine died again. The other woman excitedly waved her back into the lobby and she quickly returned inside the room and remained out of sight. Within a few minutes the engine was working again and she went out and climbed into the car, which with its curtains drawn sped rapidly out of town.

Although there is nothing positive to link the woman up with the

CHINESE FLAPPER BRIDE REVOLTS AT PRE-ARRANGED WEDDING; SKIPS OUT



WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Shades of Confucius! What has come over meek, docile, foot-bound Chinese maiden of yesterday?
New York's Chinatown is still a-chatter with the tale of Mildred Wen and George Num Lee, who were to have been married but aren't.
Five years ago Mildred Wen, newly arrived from China, was a quiet, obedient, almond-eyed child, respectful to her parents and wearing the dress of her ancestors.
But five years have passed, and

now look at Mildred Wen! Mildred has not only gone to college, but she bobbed her hair, put on short skirts and an air of independence and gotten herself a set of the most revolutionary ideas!
For instance, Mildred's father and George Num Lee's father fixed it up for Mildred to pack up her trousseau and go up to the tong house on Mott Street in New York's Chinatown and marry George there.
By the process of "fixing" Mildred had already been deprived of

the thrill of being wooed by George. So she decided that for her to have to go to him to be married was just a little too much, and just before the wedding she vanished. Hearing that her mother was ill, she returned, but vanished again.
Chinatown is a-buzz with Mildred's "independence," but she has many Oriental sisters just like her—Miss Hyodo, for instance, just licensed as Japan's first woman aviator, and Mrs. Helen Wong, who is hailed as an electrical wizard, soon to open a shop of her own in Honk Kong.

W. P. G. HARDING IS READY TO QUIT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Secretary Mellon announced that W. P. G. Harding requested that his name be withdrawn for reappointment as governor of the federal reserve board.

STANDARD OIL MAN GETS APPOINTMENT

C. H. Bussey, who has been assistant manager of the local Standard Oil station, today received a promotion as manager of the Myrtle Creek station. Mr. Bussey will leave at once to take over his new duties. No announcement has been made concerning the appointment to be made filling the place made vacant by Mr. Bussey's appointment.

TELEPHONE LINE TO BE EXTENDED

Extension of the Brockway-Dillard Farmers Telephone company line into the Ten Mile and Olalla communities is contemplated in the near future. A franchise was issued today by the county court granting authority to the company to build along the roads leading into these territories. The line will be built from the junction of the Coos Bay road with the Pacific highway, along the coast road to the Ten Mile and Reston road, and then along this thoroughfare to the J. G. Barnes place. It will also go along the Olalla road from its junction with the Coos Bay highway to the K. B. Ireland place.

Back From California.
J. A. Becker, of Canyonville, who is interested in a mining proposition near that place, and who has been in California since before Christmas, arrived home yesterday, and today was in Roseburg looking after business matters. He was visiting friends in Monterey and other parts of the Golden State during the holidays, and reports a delightful trip.