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GRAMPS CAUSE DROWNING OF ARTHUR DILLON

Young Man Loses Life in South Umpqua River Near Dillard.

BODY IS RECOVERED

Was Crossing Stream With Boy on Back and Sank Without Warning—Youngster Saved.

The first drowning of the season in Douglas County occurred last night at Dillard, when Arthur Dillon, age 21 years, lost his life while swimming in the South Umpqua river near the Dillard bridge. Ed Peterson, an expert swimmer and athlete, recovered the body, and saved the life of little Jack Noah, who was left struggling in deep water when Dillon went down.

The accident occurred between 7:30 and 8 o'clock last night, when Dillon with a large party of Dillard young people was swimming in the river near the bridge. He was an expert swimmer, and was playing in the middle of the stream with little Jack Noah, carrying the youngster on his back as he was crossing the river.

They were near the center of the stream when without warning or outcry Dillon collapsed and sank to the bottom of the stream and did not appear. The boy left struggling in the stream cried out, and attracted attention to his condition. Peterson hurried to his aid, and the boy was just going down for the third time, when he was reached.

Peterson, a strong swimmer, and a child, took the boy out with only a short struggle, and then returned in an effort to recover Dillon's body. It was some time before the body could be located, and it was in the water for twenty minutes or half an hour before Peterson found it and brought it to shore. Resuscitation was attempted, and Dr. Houck was called from this city, but all efforts to restore life were without avail.

Coroner Ritter was summoned and made an investigation of the accident, deciding that no inquest was necessary. It was found that Dillon went into the water with a heavy meal, and it is believed that this resulted in cramps, which caused his death.

He came to this city from California last summer and since last fall has been working for R. H. Davidson at Dillard. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dillon, reside at 1055 Hopkins Street, Oakland, California. His father is secretary of the Oroville, California, Chamber of Commerce.

MEN MISSING AFTER COLLISION OF BOATS

PORTLAND, June 26.—Two men are missing as a result of two fishing boats being upset in a collision off the mouth of the Columbia river last night with the steamer West Nantucket, said a radio received today by the Federal Telegraph Company here today from the Columbia River light ship. Crews from the lightship rescued two men from the gas fishing schooner Nenamosha. Two others of the Nenamosha crew were missing today.

The men missing were Einar Olson, fisherman, and Eldor Nelson, navigator, both believed to be from Portland. The men rescued were John Olson, father of Einar Olson, and Alfred K. Olson, not a relative. All these men were on the Nenamosha, no report of any survivors of the second fishing boat reported in the collision had been received.

LARGE WOOL SALE SETS NEW LEVEL

PORTLAND, June 25.—The largest wool sale of the season has been closed, establishing new high market levels and stimulating interest in the trade. The Portland Wool Warehouse sold 355,000 pounds of fine and half blood at prices ranging from 45 to 48 cents. Boston firms were the purchasers.

Today's sale means that the margin between buyers and holders' ideas has narrowed down to a business basis, and it is expected to start active buying in the country. Bids out today range from 35 to 37 cents at shipping point.

SUN'S RAYS OVER STATE REPORTED

Roseburg's heat wave tapered off today, with a much lower temperature this afternoon than in the two sweltering days just past. A cooling breeze made today's heat more bearable, and kept the mercury from mounting to record heights. At 2 o'clock the thermometer stood at 92 degrees with prospects of going to 93 degrees as a maximum for the day. The breeze at that hour was stiffening, indicating that the mercury would not climb much higher. The hourly temperatures up to 2 o'clock were as follows:

5 a. m.	55
6 a. m.	56
7 a. m.	57
8 a. m.	62
9 a. m.	72
10 a. m.	75
11 a. m.	83
12 noon	85
1 p. m.	91
2 p. m.	92

PORTLAND, June 26.—Ocean breezes sweeping in last night cooled temperatures in this vicinity to drop considerably, with the result that the weather was less torrid here today than yesterday, when a new high record for June was established. The maximum yesterday was 101. E. L. Wells, weather observer, said he expected the maximum here today to be about 90. He said, however, that the hot spell would continue for two or three days. The reading at 10:30 a. m. was 76, compared with 90 for the same time yesterday.

SALEM, Ore., June 26.—With a light wind continuing from the southwest throughout most of this morning and the early part of this afternoon, the mercury here today was kept down to a maximum of 82 degrees, the temperature recorded at 2 p. m. today. Yesterday's maximum was 99.

EUGENE, Ore., June 26.—Cool breezes during the night and today cooled the atmosphere, and at 1 p. m. this afternoon the mercury registered 84 degrees. The relative humidity also rose several points and at 1 p. m. a mark of 42 was reported at the headquarters of the Cascade National Forest service here. The temperature was 97 at 1 p. m. yesterday.

MEDFORD, Ore., June 26.—Although the minimum last night was the same as the night before, 60 above, the mercury reading early this morning was practically the same as yesterday, the local weather bureau predicts that the thermometer will not come within five degrees of the maximum of yesterday which was 105. For a week now the mercury has not fallen below the 100 mark maximum which establishes a new record for continued heat in the Rogue River valley.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., June 26.—A light wind brought some relief to Klamath Falls today, with the thermometer registering 86 at 11 o'clock this morning. At the same hour yesterday it registered 99 degrees. Indications were that the mercury would not go above 95 during the day.

PENDLETON, June 26.—The official government thermometer in Pendleton registered 100 degrees during the late afternoon yesterday. (Continued on Page 2)

Wyoming Rancher Saves Family and Ranch by Desperate Fight to Escape Sliding Mountain Avalanche of Rock

JACKSON, Yyo., June 26.—Racing ahead of an avalanche with his life and home at stake, and winning by a matter of minutes, was the experience of Gil Huff, Wyoming rancher, whose story of seeing the north side of Sheep Mountain crumble and fall across the Grosventre river valley near here Tuesday, became known today.

Huff said he was riding on horseback at the foot of the mountain when it began to move, carrying on its back a section of the dense Teton National Forest. He was riding near his ranch, he said, when he saw this. He turned and began a desperate ride for safety. The avalanche, with a roar, Huff declared, bore down toward him in the form of a moving wall of boulders, trees and earth, a hundred feet high. His frenzied horse, struck by flying splinters and stones, ran to higher ground at one side, and the big landslide missed him by only a few feet, he declared.

Once clear of the oncoming mountain Huff raced to his home nearby. He rushed his wife and daughter to a point of safety and then returned to save as many of his belongings as possible. Most of these he saved by working all night, he reported. Huff said

DAKOTA FIRES IN SILETZ LESSENS

SALEM, Ore., June 26.—A cool night with heavy dew falling and a north wind blowing the fires back over the burned territory have reduced the forest fires in the Siletz basin today. Yesterday the Willamette Valley lumber camps were in danger of the rapidly spreading flames, but the change of wind reduced the menace for the time being.

Will Caldwell, ranger lookout at Bald Mountain, reported no new fires this morning. The Siletz basin where the town of Valdez is located is filled with smoke and the old fires are burning slowly. A small fire on Dutch creek near Falls City is under control. The fire at the head of the little Lucklamute near the top of the coast range was watched many miles away last night. It was burning brightly and the reflection of the flames on the smoky clouds in the west was watched by the people of Dallas and surrounding valley towns.

BLAZE IN DALLES BURNS WAREHOUSES

THE DALLES, Ore., June 26.—Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the contents of the Walter Williams Company and Edward C. Pease Company warehouse here in about an hour beginning at 11:30 a. m. today. Had it not been for increased water pressure from the new city well put in use a week ago, the entire west end of town would have burned. Fire department officials believe a strong west wind was blowing. Hardware, farm machinery and a carload of news print belonging to The Dalles Chronicle were stored in the Williams warehouse, where the fire started. Groceries, dry goods and general merchandise were in the Pease warehouse. Both structures were of corrugated iron over wood frames. The loss was estimated at about \$25,000.

MARSHFIELD BOYS THOUGHT DROWNED

MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 26.—Lester Jans, 21, and Albert Frame, 16, half brothers, sons of Mrs. John Frame of South Slough, are believed drowned in South Slough. The coast guard and most of the citizens of Charleston, nine miles from here, are searching the head of the slough for the bodies, using grabhooks today.

The boys left Monday night in a rowboat of good construction, taking a few supplies and their dog, starting for the head of the slough to hunt raccoons. The slough was extremely rough Monday night and it is believed neither of the boys could swim. The dog came back today, wet and whining, and Earl Wasson, another youth, who was waiting for them at the head of the slough returned with word that they had never arrived.

MINER KILLED, SON INJURED IN BLAST

MEDFORD, Ore., June 26.—R. A. Thompson, a miner, was killed and his son Archie, was seriously injured Thursday afternoon by a blast in relief of their mine in the Trail district, according to word received by the coroner here this morning.

Condition Growing Worse.—The condition of Ray Marsters, who is ill at Salem, is slowly getting worse, according to a letter received this morning from Mrs. Marsters. He has been ill for many months, and was recently taken to Salem for treatment.

GUARD UNIT IS HOME FROM TWO WEEKS' CAMP

Cups for Attendance and Athletics Won by Local Company.

HIGH IN EFFICIENCY

Roseburg Made Nearly Half the Points Won by Regiment in Brigade Athletic Contest.

Company D, 162nd Infantry, the local national guard unit, returned to Roseburg today from the annual summer encampment, held this year at Camp Jackson near Medford. The troop train arrived in the city at noon and the men immediately transferred their equipment to the armory and were discharged.

Roseburg company made an excellent showing at the camp, standing high in demonstration and in efficiency at the maneuvers. There was no competition for marksmanship, so that the company was unable to contest for scores in that department. The military work was chiefly in demonstration form.

The local guardsmen brought back two beautiful cups, won while at camp. One was for the highest attendance and the other for first place in athletic events. The Roseburg unit has 75 men at camp. This was the limit allowed for a machine gun company, and a perfect percentage was awarded. Captain Marsters and the other officers put forth a strong effort to achieve this goal, and through the excellent cooperation given by the members of the company, the Roseburg company made a showing seldom duplicated in a national guard encampment.

In athletics the Roseburg boys stood exceptionally high. In the brigade contest the 162nd regiment took first place with 56 points. Out of the 56 points the Roseburg contestants won 24. Corporal Hugh Whipple was high point man for Roseburg, with Corp. Wallace Rapp second and Private Swanson third, while a number of other local athletes placed in various events.

Roseburg scoring the highest number of points for the regiment, is permitted to keep the silver cup for a period of six months. It is then to be sent to Company A at Portland, which was second with 29 points, and after it has been kept there for the remainder of the year, it will go to the regimental headquarters to be placed among the regimental trophies.

For the camp itself there are not so many words of commendation. The heat was terrific, the last few days, and practically all military work had to be abandoned. Only one accident marred the trip. One of the horses used by the company ran away and Private Cooper was thrown under the ammunition cart and quite badly bruised and cut. He was laid up for three days, but was able to return home with the company.

NATIONAL GUARDS BREAK ANNUAL CAMP

MEDFORD, Ore., June 26.—The last of the Oregon National Guardsmen in camp here since June 12 left for home this morning at seven o'clock. The first of the men carrying the soldiers departed at five o'clock. A small rear guard force left behind to clean up minor details, still remains at Camp Jackson.

Last night Adjutant-General White, in the farewell event of the encampment presented the city with a brigade flag. General White left today for Camp Barry, Cal., where he will inspect the artillery branch of the Oregon National Guard in training there.

According to General White, "the encampment was highly successful without a single case of serious illness, no arrests for disorderly conduct and while the weather was hot. It is a condition," he said, "that prevailed over the entire northwest."

General White also stated that in all probability the encampment would be held here again next year.

MANDAMUS TO CALL SPECIAL ELECTION IS ARGUED IN COURT.

SALEM, Ore., June 26.—The mandamus proceedings brought by L. L. Swann of Albany against Secretary of State Koser, seeking to compel a special election in September notwithstanding Governor Pierce's veto of the special election bill was argued in the supreme court today. John L. McNary and Walter E. Keyes appeared as attorneys for Swann and Willis S. Moore, assistant attorney general, appeared for the state. An opinion in the case may come down next Tuesday. The petition for mandamus sets forth an argument that the governor had no constitutional right to veto the bill.

ONE KILLED IN WRECK

CHICAGO, June 26.—One man, an employe, was killed and a number of passengers injured in a rear end collision of two elevated trains on the south side line of the Chicago Rapid Transit Company near the 35th street station. One of the trains caught fire.

LETTER THREATENS KELSO CRIME EXPERT

KELSO, Wash., June 26.—Anonymous letters threatening the lives of Lake S. May, criminologist, retained by Coville county to investigate the murder of Thomas Dorey, and Deputy Sheriff Clarence Dunbar, are the developments in the Dorey murder mystery revealed today.

May received his letter Thursday evening through the mail. The letter, hand printed and with no name signed, informed the criminologist he had better "lay off" his investigations in this field or he would meet the same fate as Dorey. Officers believe the letters are the effort of some "crank" or someone who knows something about the Dorey murder who is attempting by these letters to establish a theory that the crime was committed by a halfwit.

FLIER IS MAKING DAYLIGHT ATTEMPT

SALT LAKE CITY, June 26.—Advices to Western Pacific railroad officials here this morning that Captain A. S. Herold, U. S. A., had landed at Winnemucca, Nev., about 7:30 o'clock for fuel, it could not be learned whether he had hopped off again for the west. Captain Herold is making a daylight trip to San Francisco and return. He left Salt Lake at 3:35 a. m. mountain time. The army officer did not make a scheduled stop at Elko, and it is not believed he will stop at Reno.

CHINESE FIRING IS PROTESTED IN NOTE

PEKING, June 26.—The British minister is handing a note to the Chinese foreign office today, formally protesting against the action of the Chinese at Canton last Tuesday in firing on the British concession and wounding British subjects.

SHANGHAI, June 26.—Several crowds of Chinese strikers and rowdies entered the international settlement today, stoned and held up street cars. Later they were dispersed by the police.

BRITISH SCHOONER IS SEIZED FOR LIQUOR

MOBILE, Ala., June.—The British schooner Marion Adams and six motor boats have been seized in the gulf of Mexico off Mobile by coast guard vessels, according to information received by federal authorities, together with 6,000 cases of whiskey and 23 prisoners. The vessel, men and liquor are being towed to this port.

COFFMAN-STARKEY MATCHED

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., June 26.—Joe Coffman of Portland and Kid Starkey of Chico, Calif., will meet in the 10-round main event of the Municipal boxing commission smoker here next Tuesday night. The boys are welterweights.

Marriage License.—Elbert Roy Strong of Douglas county and Matilda M. Hill of Redmond were issued a marriage license Tuesday from the office of the county clerk.—Head Bulletin.

FARMER'S NEEDS ARE DISCUSSED BY SEC. JARDINE

A Little Horse Sense Applied Would Be Very Encouraging.

CONDITIONS IMPROVED

Head of Agricultural Department Foresees Increasing Prosperity—Urges More Practical Business Methods.

Secretary of Agriculture Jardine and party arrived in Roseburg shortly before 8 o'clock last evening, and spent the night at the Umpqua Hotel. Some twenty members of the Chamber of Commerce greeted the distinguished gentleman and his associates who are making the western trip in company with the secretary and an informal gathering was had and a dinner given in his honor.

Lloyd Crocker, president of the Chamber, presided at the meeting. After a few brief remarks Hon. A. C. Marsters welcomed the guests to the city, explaining the importance of the secretary's mission and giving an intelligent and comprehensive survey of the resources of this section of the state.

Mr. Jardine was asked to make a few remarks and responded in a very pleasing manner, bringing out many interesting points affecting the agricultural interests of the nation.

"I am making this western trip for the sole purpose of gaining all the information possible concerning the wants of the people generally," remarked the secretary. "Instead of talking to you, you should be talking to me, telling what is most needed to relieve the farmer and agricultural interests generally. I realize what the farmer's needs are and have so far found no complete remedy. However, I have suggested a few things that would, in my opinion, help matters considerably, but have found no one to agree with me.

"There is no use trying to legislate profit into the pockets of the farmer. It cannot be accomplished. But the government can and does intend to give the farmer something he hasn't had, equal opportunity with other business men, so that he can make money for himself. Conditions, generally, are vastly improved over what they were a few years ago, and it is my judgment that they will continue to improve. What is needed more than anything else at this time is a little horse sense—not a barrage of gossip without an definite action—and practical business methods must be applied to the farmer's problems just like any big business of the nation controls various industries.

"Where there is no market for the farmer one must be created. This can be done, as is being done in the state of California with excellent success. The raisin industry of that state which a few years ago threatened to be entirely wiped out for want of a ready market has been so established—new markets created where formerly there was no demand—that it is now one of the most flourishing and profitable industries of that state. This condition has been brought about solely by applying business methods for merchandising the product. The fruitgrowers of California are well organized. They carry out a sensible program of salesmanship. The big interests of the state are just as much interested in the marketing of the farmer's product as they are in their own particular line of merchandising. Close cooperation has been established between the farmer and the big interests and they are pulling together for the good of the entire state. This must be done in Oregon if you ever expect to entirely relieve present conditions in the agricultural depression that has been prevalent for the past few years."

Secretary Jardine, in closing his remarks emphasized the need of business sense and sound methods in agriculture, maintaining there was no panacea but that hard work and intelligent merchandising would do for agriculture what it had done for other branches of business.

The secretary is a very pleasant gentleman to meet and most sincere in his efforts to establish a better foundation for the farmer and his western trip is for the sole purpose of acquainting himself with conditions generally but he may act more intelligently for various agricultural sections (Continued on Page 8)

FIVE PAY WITH LIVES FOR MURDERS

STATE PENITENTIARY, EDDYVILLE, Ky., June 26.—George Farrell, Richard Newhouse and Elmer Hall, the "bourbon bandits," who killed Frank Buchan in an attempted bank robbery at Clintonville, a year ago, paid in full for their crime today. Cainly, the three Newport Ky. youths entered the death house and were electrocuted.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 26.—Jack Buster and Perk Flowers, negro and white, were put to death in the electric chair at the state penitentiary here this morning. Each was convicted of a murder.

SHEPHERD'S FATE IN JURY'S HANDS

CHICAGO, June 26.—At the end of the first hour of its deliberation no word had come from the jury deciding the fate of William Darling Shepherd.

CHICAGO, June 26.—The hour for William D. Shepherd to learn his fate drew near when at 3:30 p. m. the last word for or against him had been said in his trial for the murder of "Billy" McClintock.

State's Attorney Crowe closed the final jury plea with a demand that "if there is any guilt in this case you can return but one verdict which would satisfy justice, a verdict of death on the gallows."

Judge Thomas J. Lynch declared a brief recess and told the jury that upon its return he would read his instructions. That penultimate act of the six weeks old drama would require about one hour, it was indicated, the jury getting the case closed to 5 p. m.

Judge Lynch caused the jurors to stand as he read his instructions. The court instructed the jury that if it had any doubt about whether "Billy" McClintock caught typhoid fever by eating oysters or because of the epidemic extant at the time of his death, that doubt should be resolved in Shepherd's favor.

He instructed that the jury should weigh the testimony of all witnesses and itself decide the proper measure of credence.

"The jurors should not be influenced by talk of a will contest, but decide the case on its own merits," he said.

"The law requires that the prosecution prove its case rather than the defense refute it.

"A defendant cannot be forced to take the witness stand and if he does, then his testimony should be weighed the same as that of any man.

"Doubt to justify an acquittal should be reasonable. A reasonable doubt would not mean mere possibility of a doubt.

"To warrant a conviction upon circumstantial evidence alone, no theories to be proven should be left for the jury."

"An acquittal would not mean the defendant was not guilty," said Judge Lynch, "but that the state had failed to prove his guilt."

The four forms of possible verdicts, 14 years to life, life imprisonment, the death penalty, or acquittal, concluded the charge after 30 minutes of reading.

CHICAGO, June 26.—Denouncing William D. Shepherd as the perpetrator of a new species of murder who had slain his foster son, William McClintock with typhoid germs to obtain McClintock's million dollar estate, District Attorney Robert E. Crowe today asked the jury to return a verdict of guilty that would carry a penalty of hanging.

Shepherd, Crowe charged, was a "shifless panhandler," who had been content to live sixteen years in plenty provided by another.

TWENTY TRAPPED BY BLAST

Kansas City Theatre Fire and Explosion Early Today Takes Toll.

CAUSE IS UNKNOWN

Whole Building Collapses Blocking Exits—Number of Dead Not Known—Reports Confict.

KANSAS CITY, June 26.—Persons who escaped from the theater following the explosion and fire last night were agreed today that not more than 20 persons were in the show house at the time of the blast. Last night the theater audience was variously estimated at from 15 to 100. How many of those escaped from the collapsing building could not be estimated.

KANSAS CITY, June 26.—At two o'clock this morning police and fire department officials estimated that from 30 to 40 persons had lost their lives in the explosion and fire which last night destroyed the Gillis theater building here. The officials, however, made it plain that their estimate was at best guess work and declared that the number of casualties could not be determined with any accuracy until a thorough check is made of the ruins.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 26.—An unknown number of persons were killed and scores injured when an explosion, followed by fire, destroyed the Gillis theater, a burlesque house, here last night. An audience variously estimated from 50 to one hundred was viewing a motion picture film.

This morning, hours after the destruction of the five-story theater building, no definite estimate of dead could be made, although police and fire department officials said they believed from 30 to 25 of the hundred or more persons in the theater and restaurants and stores of the building had been trapped in the debris.

Early today firemen had organized a volunteer party of 100 men to search the smoldering wreckage for bodies.

They predicted it would take many hours of digging before an accurate appraisal of the dead could be made.

A fireman, John Dugan, was killed on his way to the scene when a fire truck overturned. Two other firemen were injured.

The explosion came with startling swiftness at 11 o'clock. Flames enveloped the structure almost immediately following the blast and the roof and the floors of the ancient building, constructed 42 years ago as the city's finest playhouse, collapsed.

Those who were able to make their way out of the building did so almost miraculously, according to eye witnesses.

Exits of the theater which was located on the second floor were few. There was the main entrance and a rear exit behind the stage.

Both led down a confusing arrangement of hallways and stairs of wood, which crumbled in a moment under the falling building.

The rear exit was cut off first. Stories gathered from survivors indicated the front exit must have been cut off by the collapse of the theater floor, but none of those who reached safety by that avenue could tell clearly how he got out.

Blowing and torn, men were seen running from the building, and some were dragged out of the debris.

Fire Chief Alex Henderson said 30 or 25 persons must have (Continued on page 3.)

The Weather

Fair and Continued warm to night and Saturday.

Highest temp. yesterday 102

Lowest temp. last night 55