

# LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER.

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## O. R. & N. TRAIN WRECK

Two Severely Wounded and One Probably Fatally.

This city was thrown into intense excitement last evening about 9 o'clock by the report that the east bound passenger due here at 9:06 was wrecked near Perry and many passengers and trainmen were killed.

It was sometime until the exact facts could be obtained.

Trainmaster Walsh sent an engine and coach immediately to the scene with physicians which upon their arrival they found only two men injured. One was a passenger J. J. Ferguson who had been working for the company at Pendleton for several months and was returning to his home at Wheeler. He was standing in the smoking car talking when the smash up occurred and the next thing he knew he was being kindly cared for by unknown

friends on the train. He soon regained consciousness his injuries were mostly about the head. He is up and around.

The other unfortunate man seems to have been riding the "blind" and was badly cut and bruised in the head and was brought to this city and carried on a stretcher to the office of the company physicians Drs. Bacon & Hall, in an unconscious condition and has not fully rallied yet.

The engine did not leave the track but the tender, baggage, mail car and coach did. The wrecking train was on the scene about ten o'clock and it was early morning before they got the tract cleared.

The damage to cars and track will amount to several thousand dollars.

### Twenty Men Killed

Siloam Springs, Ark. Sept. 24—While forty men were working today on an iron bridge being erected over Grand river near Grove, Indian Territory, forty miles west of here the scaffolding collapsed. Twenty men are reported killed and many others injured.

Rev. J. D. Gillilan returned from the Wallowa county this evening and will occupy the pulpit morning and evening tomorrow at the usual hours.

Mrs. J. E. Hyde, who is connected with the Crescent Knitting Mills of this city, left this morning for a few days visit to Baker City.

### Cook Wanted

A B Conley wants a cook, women preferred, man and wife can secure employment. Mr Conley can be found at the Sommer House almost any day. (Sept 23 29)

## ADVANCE OF JAPS UPON FU PASS

The Japanese Assume the Offensive and Advance Upon the Russians

St. Petersburg, Sept. 24—General Kurapatkin telegraphs that the Japanese have assumed the offensive and have advanced from Bentalaiputze on Fu Pass which is on the railroad between Mukden and Fushan twelve miles from Mukden.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 24—A dispatch received here states that the Japanese have carried Karling Pass by assault after a devastating fire from all arms. The Russians lost 250 men.

Rome Sept. 24—A telegram to the Tribune asserts that the Japanese headquarters have been transferred from Liao Yang to Yenta. General Kuroki according to the telegram is gradually drawing his forces nearer Mukden and has now reached a point 25 miles to the eastward of that city.

**SMALL JAPANESE VICTORY**  
Tokio Sept. 24—An official telegram states that a detachment of Japanese attacked a force of Russians near Heinluhuang on Sept. 23. The Russians were driven off to the northward leaving 19 dead. The Japanese losses were slight.

(Special to the Observer)

Paris Sept. 23—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent telegraphs: "Telegrams of which the general staff as yet has no knowledge reached the czar this morning. I can affirm that they concern Port Arthur, regarding which great anxiety prevails. The Japanese are engaged in a general assault, more furious than previous assaults, attacking the town on three sides simultaneously, employing their whole forces, being determined to finish the business. "The Russian mines blew up whole battalions."

"General Fock distinguished himself, directing the fire from the wall, which the Japanese reached after an indescribable massacre."  
"The whole of Togo's and Kamimura's squadrons are aiding the struggle which it is feared will be final. The besieged forces are fighting as in furnaces. A perfect storm of shells falling."  
"In St Petersburg the facts concerning the tragic event are wholly unknown. At the court hope is not entirely abandoned."

### BATTLE CONTINUED TWO DAYS

Chefoo, Sept. 24—(Noon)—A Japanese who arrived at Dalny says a battle began at Port Arthur September 19, and continued September 20, but he is unable to give details. On September 21 and 22, the bombardment was slight. The Japanese further said that unverified rumors had been received at Dalny to the effect that the Japanese had made some gains. Chinese from a village near Port Arthur confirm the foregoing and add while off the Miaotao islands yesterday they heard firing.

### Narrow Escape

A special train conveying the Archbishop of Canterbury from Bar Harbor, Maine, to Washington was wrecked on the B & A railway at a station near East Brookfield, Mass. yesterday. J Pierpont Morgan, the Wall Street financier, but neither of the two prominent men were injured. No serious injuries resulted, but several of the train hands were slightly hurt.

FOR RENT—Housekeeping room very nicely furnished. Two blocks west of High School, on the corner of 1st and M st.

### M. Carlson Dead

Mr. U. O. Carlson the unfortunate man who suffered the amputation of an arm several days caused by an accidental shot gun wound died at 11 o'clock last evening at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Henry Henson where he has been cared for since the injury. The funeral will be held from the Presbyterian church tomorrow after noon at 2:30. The deceased leaves a wife and four young children the eldest being eight years of age, the youngest an infant babe born this week. Mr. Carlson has been engaged in the wood business at Kamela for a number of years and was highly respected by all.

## NINE GIRLS KILLED

Cincinnati Ohio, Sept. 24—The vault in the rear of the school house at Pleasant Ridge a suburb of this city collapsed this morning and over 30 children in the building are reported to have fallen into the vault. Eight of them, all girls are dead. The building was a frame structure and had been standing for years.

The flooring of the vault gave way which precipitated the children into the death trap.

It seems that at recess time the children made a playful rush into an outhouse when the floor gave way precipitating a large number into the vault below.

The excitement is intensified by the wild complaints of the parents of the children against the school officers who said the building and grounds had been inspected before the opening of school two weeks ago. A few minutes after the accident happened every utensil available in the neighborhood was brought to requisition and men went into the vault and carried out the bodies and the school was transferred to another building.

At the time of the accident the vault contained four feet of water and the nine that were killed served to fill up the vault so that the other 13 were not drowned. Of the 12 rescued it is reported this afternoon that perhaps eight will die of internal poisoning and broken limbs.

## NOW FOR EXHIBIT HALL

Commercial Club Will Start Soliciting Committee.

The Commercial club has taken the up the matter of securing the Exhibit Hall and the soliciting committee are expected to commence securing funds Monday. Two committees have been appointed, one to solicit from the farmers and fruit growers and one to visit the property owners and business men of this city.

This cannot prove otherwise than a good investment. At this time of the year there is a heavy travel to this coast and as the great majority buy their tickets to the terminals, this exhibit will give those who pass through our city something to think about. The building will be brilliantly illuminated with electric lights which will make a handsome showing to passengers on both evening trains.

## Russia Out of Coal

Vladivostok Sept. 24—Overtures are being conducted through German channels with Liverpool firms with a view to arranging for dispatching coal from the British Isles to be taken therefrom by Russian warships.

**OFFER BIG BONUS**  
Liverpool Sept. 24—Russian agents are offering 31 shillings a ton for coal for the far east. Another Offer of 15 shillings a ton is added to the 30 if the blockade is successfully run and the coal delivered at Port Arthur.

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