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EXPLOSION UNDER STUMP KILLS WOODDELL

GUY WOODDELL, SUMMERVILLE, MEETS DEATH BLASTING OUT STUMPS.

HEAD BADLY MUTILATED

Well Known Summerville Man Returns to Investigate Delayed Blast Only to Receive Weight of the Concussion on His Head—Dies Before Medical Attention Can Get to Him.

Summerville, May 29.—(Special)—Guy Woodell, aged 27 years, and son of Joe Woodell, of the intrepid Pioneer Woodell clan, was almost instantly killed yesterday evening about 6 o'clock while blasting stumps with dynamite. In company with Jim Combs the young man had been at work ridding a field of stumps by the dynamite method, and after waiting some time for one particular blast to explode, Mr. Woodell started toward the stump to investigate. At the instant of his close approach the delayed explosion occurred, and so frightfully were his head and shoulders mutilated, that he died long before Dr. Whiting of Elgin could reach the scene. His head and shoulders caught the full weight of the blast.

The entire community is deeply grieved at the disaster and the family has the sympathies of their large host of friends. Many near relatives survive the young man.

Injured Man Heroic.
Mr. Combs displayed great heroism and endurance in bringing the news of the disaster to the family. He was blown high in the air and 45 feet away by the concussion which killed Woodell, the latter being nearer to the stump, and was himself badly injured. Falling often of exhaustion, bleeding freely and badly bruised, he crawled, walked and rolled himself to the Woodell ranch house where he informed the victim's sister of the disaster. This was a quarter of a mile from the explosion. Dr. Whiting dressed the injured man and this morning he is somewhat improved.

Mr. Woodell's father lives at Astoria, Wash., but several brothers and sisters and other relatives live in the Grande Ronde valley. The deceased was a member of the Methodist church, was president of the Epworth league and a teacher in the Sunday school here. In every way he was well thought of. The funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Austrian Ban on Hat Pins.
Vienna, May 29.—The women of Austria having paid no attention to the various and polite requests of the imperial and local authorities to protect their hat-pins, more vigorous measures have been decided upon.

Under an order issued today by the ministry of railways no woman wearing an unprotected hat-pin shall be permitted to ride on the Austrian state railways. The management of the Vienna municipal tramways has gone even further, issuing instructions to conductors to order such offenders from the cars immediately and in case of refusal to eject them by force.

Lewis Funeral Tomorrow.
The funeral of Mrs. W. E. Lewis, who died yesterday morning while giving birth to a child, will be held tomorrow from the residence, 507 Fourth street, at 2 o'clock.

"Oh!" Exclaims Mrs. Marshall.
"Beauty!" Says Miss Harriman



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MRS. THOMAS R. MARSHALL, wife of the vice president of the United States, was an interested spectator at the recent annual horse show in Washington. This snapshot proves it. Mrs. Marshall was caught just as she started to exclaim at some particularly interesting bit of horsemanship. She is an ardent horsewoman herself when she finds time to ride. She's up on many of the fine points of horsemanship and can tell at a quick glance whether the judges are going to have a hard time rendering a decision or not. Mrs. Marshall was sitting in the box with a friend when this was taken. Another interested spectator was Miss Harriman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden Harriman of New York. This young society bud is shown here petting one of the horses in the stalls.

VALLEY POURS THOUSANDS INTO LA GRANDE FOR CIRCUS

THOUSANDS INVADE CITY
La Grande's first 1913 circus crowd was exceptionally large and long before the parade hour the streets were crowded with people. The attendance at the circus this afternoon was larger than usually attend circuses in this city. Merchants and business men in general report good business during the morning hours.

At last the day of all days has arrived and the heart of the small boy as well as many of the older ones is glad—the big Sells-Floto shows came in from Baker in two sections this morning at an early hour and the savory smell of the cook tent soon pervaded the atmosphere.

The Sells-Floto shows have been visiting La Grande too many years to need an introduction and each successive year seems to grow larger and better. This season over 400 people and 300 horses are carried with the show and for general brightness and cleanliness no other circus is the equal of Sells-Floto. The parade was fully one mile in length and was probably as pretty as was ever seen in La Grande—the features being a troupe of real Scotch Kilties and a company of gaily dressed Zuarves on foot, while many open dens, cages tableaux wagons, mounted men and women and

EVIDENCE IN ROOSEVELT'S BEHALF ENDS

SCORES OFFER TO TESTIFY IN BEHALF OF TEDDY'S SOBRIETY.

TROUBLES COME BUNCHED

Shot Once, Daughter Married and Now in a Lawsuit all in One Year Drains on the Colonel's Purse, He Says—Newspaper Men Testify Again Today—"Roosevelt Never Curses"—Thompson.

Marquette, May 29.—J. W. Thompson, a reporter on the New York Times, was the first witness in the Roosevelt case today. He swore Roosevelt was sober, that he drank only a single glass of champagne at the banquet and was very positive the colonel was never drunk, that he "never heard any suggestion that he was." Thompson concluded by saying Roosevelt never uses profanity and that on one dare use obscene words in his presence.

Evidence for Roosevelt as plaintiff is expected to be completed today.

"By George, it's tough when a man gets shot, has a wedding in his family and starts a libel suit, all in a single year," said Col. Roosevelt today.

"That Milwaukee bullet cost me \$3,000. The wedding cost about the same, and there no telling how much this suit will cost before I'm through. But that paper said all my intimates knew about my habits. Well, I've got 'em all here, by George."

Offers of evidence that he is no drunkard are pouring in on Roosevelt by the score.

Philip Roosevelt, aged 21, and six feet seven tall, the colonel's cousin, took the stand. He said:

"I know the colonel so well that I have been swimming with him when he had on no clothes."

He said he had been a newspaper man since March, and said he accompanied the colonel on the trip through the northern Peninsula of Michigan. He said: "The colonel hardly ever drinks anything except at night—a teaspoonful of brandy in milk."

When asked if he ever saw the slightest indication that Roosevelt was ever intoxicated, he shouted: "Course not!"

Inquest Under Way.

Long Beach, May 29.—The coroner's jury began an official investigation today of Saturday's catastrophe. Fifty witnesses are subpoenaed to testify. Nearly fifty of the injured remain in hospitals, but all are expected to recover.

lot. Yesterday while showing at Baker, keeping with their custom for the past eight years, the employees of the Sells-Floto circus decorated the grave of their former fellow performer, Alexis, who died in Baker in 1905. Alexis formerly did the "Leap the Gap," with the show.

A beautiful wreath of white roses and sweet peas nearly three feet in diameter, was purchased with a collection taken among the employees yesterday morning, and after the afternoon's performance, Mrs. Zora Alspaw, Misses May Curtis and Helen Brown, and Jack Harris comprised a party going to Mt. Hope cemetery and placed the flowers on the last resting place of their brother showman.

New License Law Drastic

NO MARRIAGE WHERE CERTAIN DISEASES EXIST.

Effective on Tuesday

New State Law Provides for Physician's Certificate to All.

In order to save expenses, lovers swains contemplating marriage in the near future better hurry the deal and have it over with before next Tuesday. On that date, a law which has met with splendid success everywhere, tried and held up as one of the greatest boons to purer social foundations of the state, becomes effective. It will be necessary for every applicant for a marriage license in this county or any county in the state, to produce a physician's certificate regarding his health. County Clerk Ed Wright will put the law into practice next Tuesday on which date the newly-enacted measure becomes operative. Clauses from the law read:

"Before any county clerk in this state shall issue a marriage license, the applicant therefore shall file with the clerk from whom such license is sought, a certificate from a physician duly authorized to practice medicine within the state, made under oath, within ten days from the date of filing the same, showing that the male person thus seeking to enter the marriage relation is free from contagious or infectious venereal disease.

"Any physician who shall, knowingly and wilfully make a false statement in any certificate issued, as herein provided, shall be punished by the revocation of his license to practice his profession within the state.

"All fees and charges of any physician asking the necessary examination and of issuing the necessary certificate, to any one party, as herein provided, shall not exceed the sum of \$2.50.

"The county physicians of the several counties shall, upon request, make the necessary examination and issue certificate, if the same can properly be issued, without charge to the applicant, if indigent."

UNION COMING ON SATURDAY

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY BUSINESS MEN LISTED.

Band of Boosters to Invade This City in a Body Saturday.

One hundred fifty Union boosters—their par excellency is generally known—will swoop down on La Grande in an advertising venture for the big Union stock show. The Union band is to head the delegation. The show is set for the 5th, 6th and 7th of June and because Union expects to give the greatest production of its history, is laying great stress on advertising.

The boosters are coming on a special train at 10:30 and will remain here until 2:30 when they take their leave. La Grande knows what an invasion of Union people means and they expect to give up business for the hours the visitors are here to give the Unionites a warm welcome.

Will Vogel, one of the leaders, advises the Observer this afternoon that all bridges damaged by the flood are repaired today and ready

LINER STRIKES CORK HEAD AND IS TOTAL LOSS

NINE HUNDRED PASSENGERS TRANSFERRED TO OTHER BOATS SAFELY.

HAVERNFORD MEETS GRIEF

Tugs That Have Gone to the Rescue From Queenstown Send Back Word That the Ship Will be a Complete Loss But That Passengers are Safe—None Know How Boat Happened to Leave Course.

Queenstown, May 29.—Tugs which located the American liner Havernford late today in response to calls for help from that ship, have wirelessed the local officials that the vessel is aground on Cork Head.

Earlier reports stated the vessel had grounded after striking Daunt's rock near the entrance to this harbor. Several tugs and British warships are standing by while the Havernford's passengers, 900 of them, are being transferred to other vessels, which will be done without loss of life.

The ship itself seems hopelessly damaged and there is little chance to save her. There are no details explaining the cause of the accident, other than the pilots must have wandered from the course.

At 7 o'clock tonight between 900 and 1000 passengers were removed from the Havernford and are en route to Liverpool, where another American liner is to start for Philadelphia.

WEDDING DAY ROBBED

Lover Shoots Sweetheart and Succeeds Day Before Wedding Day.

Chicago, May 29.—Peter Becker shot and fatally wounded Genevieve Thomas whom he intended to marry today, and then committed suicide. He left a note to the girl's father reading: "This is the kind of a wedding you will see—a funeral instead." Becker was despondent over his inability to get work.

Oleo Margarine Manufacturer.

Berlin, May 29.—According to a Dusseldorf newspaper Kaiser Wilhelm is about to go into business as an oleo margarine manufacturer, and proposes opening a factory at Cadinen. His brother-in-law, Prince Ernst of Schleswig-Holstein, is already in the trade, having a factory at prattenan, but the Kaiser's advisers have pointed out to their ruler that despite the increasing demand for oleo there is not a single factory in Prussia. This new enterprise is not received favorably by the Agrarian members of the Reichstag, who have been crusading against the sale of oleo margarine, and have even suggested that the concoction be dyed blue in order to disgust would be purchasers.

Army Horses Wanted.

Berlin, May 29.—Figuring upon the certainty of the army increase bill passing in the reichstag, the military authorities are beginning to contract for 27,000 more horses called for in the measure. This will bring the number of horses in Germany's peace army up to 184,788.

for traffic and that all approaches to the city of Union are in first class order.

ACTORS DECORATE GRAVES

Fellow Actor Long Dead at Baker, Receives Attention. Circus people are not an inhuman