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Fifteen Are Killed In Railroad Collisions In Texas and Wisconsin

MANY DIE IN TRAIN WRECK OVER NATION

Two Collisions Occur, One
In Wisconsin and One
in State of Texas.

TWO TRAINS MEET HEAD ON IN TEXAS

Fourteen Dead in Texas,
One Perishes in Wisconsin;
Injured List Mounts
Very High.

(By Associated Press.)
HOUSTON, Dec. 14.—Three
more deaths increased the wreck
death toll to seventeen.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—The
death of four more people today
brought the toll of last night's Southern
Pacific wreck at Humble near
here, to fourteen. All were scalded
by escaping steam.

THORPE, Wyo., Dec. 13.—One was
killed and several people badly in-
jured today when the Soo Line pas-
senger train collided head-on with a
freight train near here.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—Near-
ly a score were killed and fifty in-
jured in a Houston East and West
Texas train wreck at Humble, Texas,
17 miles west of here, according to
reports telephoned to the Southern
Pacific hospital at 1:30 p. m. last
night. Two ambulances and a score
of physicians are now on the way
to the scene.

CITY LEAGUE BEGINS SOON

The City Basketball league, sponsored
by the local Y. M. C. A., will
swing into its schedule shortly after
Christmas with indications bright for
a very successful season. Two teams
from a Standard Oil team and the M. I. A.
team have already lined up for the
season and about six or seven teams
are either being formed or feelers
are out stirring up the required en-
thusiasm to cause their formation.

The Clerks, who ramped away
with the pennant last year, will
probably be in action again. A rail-
road men's team, a printer's team,
teams from Perry, Union and Cove
are expected to join and two or three
other teams are expected to be formed
before the season opens.

Both the Standard Oil team and
the M. I. A. five will be strong with
many high class players in their
ranks.

BOY IS DROWNED

ST. PAUL, Ore., Dec. 14.—Donald
Kirk, 21, was drowned in the Will-
amette near here yesterday when he
fell in from a skiff which over-
turned from the recoil of a gun that
he fired.

CLOTHING AND FUEL NEEDED

Cold Weather Adds to Re-
lief Problem in Stricken
City; Astorians in Need
of Wearing Apparel.

(By Associated Press.)
ASTORIA, Dec. 14.—The con-
tinued cold and east wind accompanied
by snow added to the relief problems
today. There are increasing calls
for fuel and clothing.

JUNIORS AND SOPHS WIN

The first series of the inter-
school basketball games were played last
night after school with the juniors wallop-
ing the seniors 26 to 7 and the
sophomores defeating the rookies 13
to 7. And therein lies a tale.

In the first half the juniors
were hogish and wouldn't let the
seniors score despite frantic attempts
by Tigo, Bus, Geddes, the student
body president and Shorty Blok-
land. Funk showed his stuff and
likewise did the other juniors and al-
though Shorty Blokland was credited
with several straight arms, line
plunges and tackles, it was of no
avail.

In the second half Bus O'Connell,
whom Walter Camp over-looked,
astounded the spectators by shoot-
ing a basket. The seniors thereupon
rallied and scored a total of 5 addi-
tional points making the juniors
mere 11 points appear insignificant.
Tommy Ruckman took the place left
vacant by the student body presi-
dent and in the last half made a re-
markable showing by shooting two
baskets. Joe Funk and Ruckman
were the stars with Gene Metcalf
showed up in good shape.

In the second bout of the sched-
uled two free for alls, the sopho-
mores drubbed the freshmen. Hum-
melt, playing for the sophomores,
was the individual star. Special
mention should be made of Bull
Montana who played the best foot-
ball, with the possible exception of
Shorty Blokland, of any man. His
end runs were startling and his line
plunges were amazing.

Webb made the majority of the
points in the first canto and when
the game ended everybody went
home.

BAZAAR TO BE HELD

The Primary Association of the
Latter Day Saints will give a bazaar
in the M. I. A. hall Thursday after-
noon and evening. The proceeds
are to go to the Children's Con-
valescent Home. There will be all
kinds of fancy work, Christmas
gifts, beautiful home made dolls,
doll clothes, rugs and home made
candy. The sale begins at 3 o'clock
and continues to 5. In the evening
at 7:30 the selling will be resumed
and a program will be presented by
the Primary children which is free
to all. Hot dog sandwiches and hot
chocolate will be on sale in the eve-
ning.

aid asked for," said the city man-
ager today. "When the Frisco dis-
aster occurred the government not
only appropriated \$15,000,000 but
sent its troops and every govern-
mental agency needed to the stricken
district. Those people in Astoria
with their present public cannot get
funds to relay their pavements and
do the essential things necessary to
a public way so that severe win-
ters may rebuild. And Astoria, Ore.,
is an important seaport contrib-
uting it all the more important for
the nation as a whole to assist for
the whole country and the port, it
is not an Oregon port entirely, it is
an American port and the nation
needs to have a function in a proper
way which in turn requires the re-
building of Astoria."

CO-OPERATIVE PLAN IS BACKED BY PRESIDENT

Sends Letter to National
Council of Farmers Co-
operative Marketing As-
sociation.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Presi-
dent Harding in a letter which was
read today at the opening of the
session of the national council of
the Farmers Co-operative Marketing
Association, declared he knew of "No
single movement that promises more
help towards the present relief and
permanent betterment of agricul-
tural conditions, than the Co-operative
organization of farmers to market
products." The program for the
meeting includes a complete review
of cooperative marketing, including
cotton, tobacco, fruit, grain, dairy
and other farm products.

McNary Introduces Bill.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Spokes-
men for the federal government and
agricultural interests of the country
appearing today in the senate's hear-
ing on rural credits, recommended
congress to do something to relieve
the farmers' financial condition.

Senator McNary today introduced
a bill to extend for one year, until
June 30, 1924, the power of the war
finance corporation to make farm
loans, also to extend until January
31, 1927, authority of the corporation
to issue notes and bonds.

DENIES CHARGE OF SHADOWING

Daugherty Impeachment
Charges Continue; De-
nies that Department of
Justice "Shadowed" Con-
gressman.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Charges
that operatives in the department
of justice had shadowed members
of congress who attacked Attorney
General Daugherty were made and
denied today at the hearing before
the house judiciary committee on the
Daugherty impeachment charges.

GETTING UNCOMFORTABLY CROWDED.



LA GRANDE IS STRUCK BY SUB ZERO WEATHER

Mercury Reaches Season's
Lowest Mark This Morn-
ing at 7:45 O'clock; Six
Below Zero.

The coldest weather of the
season was registered in the cen-
ter of the business district of La
Grande this morning at 7:45
o'clock when the thermometer
indicated six degrees below zero.

SNOW IN PORTLAND

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—The sixth
snowstorm of the season occurred
here today with the minimum tem-
perature registering 21 degrees
above zero and reports from Baker
stated that the mercury had reached
its lowest point at four degrees be-
low zero.

La Grande experienced its coldest
weather of the season early this
morning accompanied by a clear sky
and snappy, chilling conditions pre-
vailing. Very little breeze was felt
until about 9:30 o'clock this morn-
ing the streets of the city were
practically deserted, the weather
causing residents to stay indoors and
utilize what heat there was to be
had to the fullest.

Drops 20 Degrees.
At five o'clock yesterday after-
noon the mercury hovered at 14 de-
grees above zero for a short while
and then began a steady fall that
terminated thirteen hours later when
the lowest point was reached. Stead-
ily decreasing, the thermometer fell
twenty degrees between five o'clock
yesterday and 7:45 o'clock this morn-
ing. When the lowest point was
reached the raise came rapidly and
by ten o'clock it had reached eight
above, rising fourteen degrees in a
little more than two hours.

Sportsmen in Union county are
resting at ease with the news com-
ing that the game warden was feed-
ing pheasants and other game birds
and animals who had been cut off
from their food supply. Near Union
and in the valley the wind has swept
the fields free of snow giving them
access to the ground but in many
spots the snow has covered up their
feeding grounds, leaving them at the
mercy of the elements.

Continued Cold.
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Tonight and
Friday will be fair, with continued
cold and moderate easterly winds.

MARKET STRONG

(By The Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Cattle are
strong, hogs and sheep steady, eggs
firm and butter strong.

WHEAT MARKET

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Wheat is
\$1.19 to \$1.52.

TURKEY WILL JOIN LEAGUE

Ismet Pasha Announces
That Ottomans Will Join
League of Nations When
Peace is Signed.

(By Associated Press.)
LAUSANNE, Dec. 14.—Turkey
will join the league of nations as
soon as peace is signed at Lausanne,
Ismet Pasha announced today and
as the league exercises general su-
pervision over minority populations,
Ismet's announcement was interpreted
as meaning that Turkey will ac-
cept the league's supervision over
the Christians in Turkey.

DOOLEY SECURES PARDON PAPERS

Governor Ritner Includes
La Grande Man With Two
Others in His List.

SALEM, Dec. 14.—Three more men
serving sentences in the state prison
here, were released on conditional
pardon by Acting Governor Ritner,
Tuesday, making a grand total of
eight to be released on pardons with-
in the last two weeks. The three
were:

C. E. Dooley, sent up from La
Grande for a term of one year for
larceny. Conditionally pardoned on
recommendation of Ed. Wright, dis-
trict attorney, and J. W. Knowles,
circuit judge, from Union county.

Clarence E. McDade and D. H. Mc-
Gowan, sentenced from Jackson coun-
ty to a term of 11 years for robbery;
conditional pardon based on recom-
mendations of District Attorney G.
M. Roberts and Circuit Judge Frank
M. Calkins of Jackson county.

Dooley's incarceration in the Union
county jail and in the state prison
together exceeded the full term to
which he was sentenced. McDade
and McGowan, whose crimes consist-
ed of the robbery of fellow hoboes
of a small sum of money and some
jewelry, have served a year and a
half of their 11-year sentences.

TICKET SALE AT HIGH MARK

That the time will not drag during
the presentation of "The Arrival of
Kitty," a three act farce comedy, by
the junior class, on the evenings of
December 15th and 16th, is assured
by the announcement that specialties
will be rendered between acts and be-
fore the curtain rises.

The girls' glee club will sing pre-
liminarily to the first curtain and be-
tween acts the boys quartette will
render several selections. Marion
Howell will be pianist.

Full houses for both evenings are
practically assured, with the ticket
sale having passed the 300 mark and
still progressing.

TRY OUT PILETTE JUNIOR

(By The Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Her-
man Pilette, leading pitcher for the
Detroit Americans last year, has a
warming her remains to Newburg
for young brother who probably will be
given a tryout next spring by the
San Francisco club of the Pacific
Coast Baseball league. The elder
Pilette was with the Portland Coast
League club before he went on to
the majors.

POISON CANDY SENT BRITISH HIGH OFFICIAL

(By The Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.—An attempt
has been made to assassinate home
secretary W. C. Bridgeman by means
of poisoned chocolates sent him
through the mail. The candy ar-
rived at the home office yesterday
and the police, upon examination,
found that it contained poison.

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STATE BOARD WILL TENDER RESIGNATION

Chairman of State Highway
Commission Announces
Board's Resignation.

ANSWERS CHARGES RELATIVE TO WORK

R. A. Booth Claims Oregon
Has More Miles of Roads
at a Less Cost Than Does
Washington.

(By The Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—"Members
of the state highway commission in-
tend to resign, to be effective any
time within three months, and will
do everything possible to aid incom-
ing administration," said R. A.
Booth, chairman, while addressing the
county judges and commissioners
meeting today.

Booth made a detailed answer to
charges viewed during the recent
campaign and in answering the
charge that Washington made a bet-
ter showing in road work, declared
Oregon had more miles of roads at
less cost than did the neighboring
state.

ELECTS OFFICERS

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Judge Har-
vey E. Cross, Oregon City, was elect-
ed president of the county judges
and commissioners, today, and Com-
missioner Charles Rudeen, of Port-
land, vice president, Judge H. L. Has-
brouck, Hood River, re-elected sec-
retary-treasurer.

CONTINUE NURSE SAYS DR. LANDIS

Dr. R. P. Landis made a stirring
appeal to members of the M. C. Club
yesterday at the union luncheon.
Landis had for retention of the coun-
ty nurse in Union county for another
year. He reviewed the work done by
the nurse the past month, telling
plainly his judgment of the campaign
against disease and the upbringing of
children.

MRS. ALICE E. POST CLAIMED BY DEATH

Mrs. Alice E. Post passed away
in Baker Tuesday evening and fu-
neral services, preliminary to for-
eign service, were held at the West
chapel yesterday. The deceased for-
merly lived at Cove where her husband
Pilette was with the Portland Coast
League club before he went on to
the majors. Many friends mourn her
passing on.

Lid Is Clamped Down On Frequenting Of Pool And Card Rooms By Minors

Evidence was produced at the
meeting of the city commission last
night containing the names of about
forty boys under eighteen years of
age who have been in the habit of
frequenting pool halls and card
rooms as loafing places and places
of amusement, among them being
many school boys who are said to
regularly spend as much time as they
have, to spare in the above named
places. Clint Haynes, chief of police,
will be presented with the list and
will deal sharply with both the es-
tablishments in question and with
the boys who violate the ordinance.

Kiddies May Coast.
An order was made closing Main
street from Oak to First so that
children of the city might have a
place to coast. By this order it is
meant that all vehicles and automo-
biles will be prevented from using
the thoroughfare and that children
and their sleds may have full right
of way. Realizing that winter must
have its sports as well as summer
and in much as the dangerous sport
of trailing had been clamped down,
the commission felt it their duty to