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The Weather

Continued cold weather is promised for tonight and Tuesday, with probable showers.

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COTTAGE GROVE LOCAL GOES IN THE DITCH; FOUR KILLED

SOUTHBOUND TRAINS LATE

Bull Goes to Sleep on the Track and Is Struck--Wreck Near Eugene

Engineer Nichols, Fireman Bolter and two unknown men were killed at 9:25 o'clock last night, when train No. 17, known as the Cottage Grove local, went into the ditch three miles north of Eugene, as the result of striking a bull asleep upon the track.

The train was making its regular run down from Portland and was a little over a mile out of Irving, when the bull was struck, wrecking the train.

Pinned Under Wreck. Fireman Bolter was pinned under the engine and suffered for some time before death gave him relief. He had no time to jump, as the engine turned over on its side. The tender was hurled around like a jackknife pinning him down.

The engineer died as the result of scalding. He was placed in an automobile and hurried to Eugene, where he died shortly afterward.

The two unknown men were killed instantly by the colliding of the tender and the baggage car between which they were riding.

The passengers were badly shaken up with the exception of one who suffered a badly cut hand.

Wrecking Trains Out.

Wrecking trains were immediately ordered to the scene. L. R. Fields, the superintendent of the Harriman lines in Oregon, hastened to the scene and superintended the work of clearing the line. Additional crews were ordered from Portland.

The line was cleared about 9 o'clock this morning, and traffic resumed. Train No. 16 will arrive in Portland this afternoon and train No. 15, due here at 10:35 a. m., will arrive this evening about 6 o'clock, if not put on special running time.

Mr. Field arrived on the scene by special train and secured the services of a telegraph operator, who tapped the wires and set up an instrument for the use of Mr. Fields in directing the movements of the wrecking trains, which were hastily summoned from Roseburg and Junction City. The passengers of No. 16, the northbound train, which left Medford at 5:24 last evening, were fed at Cottage Grove and the passengers of No. 15 the southbound passenger due in Medford at 10:35 this morning, were fed at Albany.

Mr. Fields is doing everything possible for the comfort of the delayed passengers.

DARING ATTEMPT MADE AT JAIL BREAKING

ELKO, Nev., August 24.—Sheriff Clark and a posse is today scouring the hills about Elko looking for a man known as "Slim" Smith, who escaped from jail here yesterday afternoon in one of the most daring jail deliveries known in this state.

Forty-five prisoners escaped, but all were recaptured with the exception of Smith, who is thought to have planned the break. The jail is at present overflowing with prisoners, some of whom are awaiting trial on charges of murder.

The break was carefully planned. As Under Sheriffs Harris and Elmour entered the jail last evening with the men three prisoners jumped upon them. A hot fight ensued and the officers would have been killed had it not been for a negro trusty who ran into the street and called for help.

The prisoners feared that the break would fail and all took to the street. Sheriff Clark, who was attracted by the cries of the negro, ran to the jail and with a posse captured all the escaped prisoners but one.

F. W. Leimaster of this city received one of four awards given recently by the Photo Association of the Pacific northwest. There were 124 exhibits.

BOYDEN SELLS HIS BUSINESS

Lumber Man From Weed Purchases Hardware Establishment in This City

C. E. Evans, superintendent of the Weed Lumber company of Weed, Cal., has purchased the hardware establishment of H. E. Boyden in this city. The place is closed at the present time in order that stock may be taken, and will reopen under the new management Wednesday morning.

Mr. Evans will not leave his present position to manage the store, but will place it in the hands of J. B. Biglum of Portland, who is a practical hardware man.

Mr. Boyden declines to state what the consideration was.

Mr. Evans will arrive in this city Tuesday and will confer with Mr. Biglum as to changes which will probably be made in the establishment.

Mr. Boyden has announced his intention to remain in Medford, but expects to retire permanently from a mercantile life.

BIDS WILL BE CALLED FOR STEEL BRIDGE

GRANTS PASS, Or., August 24.—A special session of the county court was held on Wednesday and a large portion of the day was spent in discussion of the proposed construction of the Rogue River bridge in this city and the franchise for the new electric line. In view of the uncertainty that always hangs over an uncompleted project, Engineer Collins presented to the court two sets of plans for a bridge, with the suggestion that two sets of bids be called for to cover the construction of each. One of these plans is for a heavy Howe truss bridge—a combination of wood and steel—of extra width and of sufficient weight to bear the strain of electric service. The other set of plans is for an all-steel bridge suitable for ordinary wagon traffic. The difference between the cost of this latter structure and that of the combination wagon and railway bridge formerly contemplated is so great that the court decided to eliminate this from consideration altogether.

Bids for the construction of one or the other of the two bridges will be called for on September 4th. By that time Mr. Collins hopes to have advice from his company that will put matters in a little more definite shape. He had received a wire from Seattle the day previous stating that the Rogue River & Southern Railway company, with headquarters at Seattle, had been organized with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. This certainly has a business-like appearance.

Work of construction on the new line will begin about December 1, it is said. Before dirt will fly, existing surveys must be gone over, verified and brought up to date. If the Deschutes route is followed by the new line, an entirely new survey must be run for a considerable distance, for the Harriman engineers have only mapped out the route for a track about half way up the Deschutes canyon as yet.

RICH STRIKE REPORTED FROM SAVAGE CREEK

GRANTS PASS, Or., August 24.—Rich ore has been discovered on Savage creek on the claims located by Fred Miller about two years ago on section 12. The prospect recently opened by Messrs. Miller and Butterfield shows several veins of fine ore ranging in width from four to thirteen inches and the work of development has just commenced. The mine is known as the Deer Lick mine and promises to be one of the best properties in this section of the country. The creek bed at the base of the mountain has also been posted and the old diggings will be known as the Anna Fraser placer mine.

BIG BODY OF ORE REPORTED IN GALICE

MERLIN, Or., August 24.—Word has just been received here of a rich strike of gold-bearing quartz in the Alameda mine at Galice. According to reports, a body of ore about five feet in width was opened that will run from \$25 to \$30 per ton of free milling gold ore. This following closely on the announcement that the Alameda is to put in a 100-ton smelter very soon comes as welcome news to all of southern Oregon, and will mean much to the future development of this section.

HARRIMAN ANSWERS EUGENE'S INVITATION

EUGENE, Or., August 24.—In reply to Hartog's letter, Harriman making him to visit Eugene, Harriman answers: "Pollock Bay Lodge, Eugene, Or.—Eugene Commercial Club, Eugene, Or.—Thanks for your kind invitation to visit Eugene. If I go out that way I will be glad to stop, but the chances are that I shall not go out that way this time. E. H. HARRIMAN."

S. W. Kime and his family were in Medford Saturday afternoon.

COMMITTEE IS NAMED

Chamberlain Loses No Time in Choosing Crater Lake Highway Commission

PORTLAND, Or., August 24.—Governor Chamberlain has named the following committee to have in hand the ways and means of providing the money necessary to build the state highway from Medford to Crater Lake and on to Klamath Falls:

E. H. Harriman, Judge Lionel R. Webster, Henry L. Benson, Klamath Falls; J. F. Reddy, Medford; F. H. Hopkins, Central Point; Benton Bowers, Ashland; J. H. Scott, Salem; G. T. Baldwin, Klamath Falls; T. B. Wilcox, Portland; W. L. Vawter, Medford; C. S. Jackson, Portland, and Colonel Frank H. Ray, New York city.

Governor Chamberlain's action in naming the committee which will soon formulate plans for the construction of the wooded avenues in the deep forests surrounding Crater Lake national park, came about as the result of a move to gain easy access to one of the most scenic regions in the world.

By naming Mr. Harriman as head of the committee it is not likely that much time will be consumed in getting down to work and formulating definite plans for bringing within easy reach of the world one of the most ideal and entrancing spots within the boundaries of the United States.

Mr. Harriman himself has visited the lake and has evinced great interest in its welfare and has eagerly awaited an opportunity to give the park and its mirror-like body of water more publicity. In consequence of his ambition along these lines it is placed beyond doubt that he will take an active and pleasurable concern in promoting the project which has already been well launched and started on the highway of success.

Cost of New Road.

PORTLAND, Or., August 24.—Two million dollars will be spent by the Harriman interests in building the new line into central Oregon, if the project just announced by Mr. Harriman is carried to completion. The new road will be about 130 miles long. Additional track will be added during the following years.

Work of construction on the new line will begin about December 1, it is said. Before dirt will fly, existing surveys must be gone over, verified and brought up to date. If the Deschutes route is followed by the new line, an entirely new survey must be run for a considerable distance, for the Harriman engineers have only mapped out the route for a track about half way up the Deschutes canyon as yet.

BULL RUNS AT LARGE IN GOLDEN GATE PARK

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 24.—The park commissioners are today preparing an appeal to the chief of police and police commission to enforce the regulations against allowing cattle to run at large in the city and have asked that the mounted police prevent a repetition of yesterday's incident, when a mad bull ran into Golden Gate park, which was full of merry-makers, and created havoc.

The bull appeared at the children's playground and drove the little ones to safety in flight. Pandemonium reigned among the women and children for several hours.

Mounted police chased the intruder through the park and finally captured him with lariats.

BANKER APPEARS IN COURT FOR SPEEDING

OAKLAND, Cal., August 24.—I. W. Bellman, Jr., the banker, appeared in court today to answer to the charge of speeding in his automobile. Bellman was arrested yesterday afternoon by the "flying squad" and went to the police station without protest when it was explained to him that the police had a stop-watch on him and could tell just how fast he was going. He deposited \$25 bail for himself and his chauffeur.

AUDITOR IN CHARGE OF PHONES

Affairs of Local Office of Telephone Company Are Said to Be in a Tangled Condition

Auditor W. K. Merrill is here going over the books of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company. He is in charge of the office.

George A. Patterson, who for some time has been in charge of the office, is reported short in his accounts to an amount between \$800 and \$1000. Patterson's mother is expected to arrive in this city Monday evening and, it is said, that she has made arrangements to pay the shortage. In this event the company will not prosecute. Efforts were made to raise the money locally last Saturday.

Auditor Merrill is reticent in speaking of the matter. He admitted, however, that there was a shortage, but that all arrangements had been made to cover it and that his company would not prosecute. He stated that Patterson's mother was expected to arrive in the city this evening.

Mr. Merrill says that he knows where Patterson is at the present time, but will take no steps to have him brought back if the shortage is covered. He stated further that Patterson had worked for years for the company and that heretofore he had always borne a good reputation as is shown by the fact that he was appointed to his recent position. He was engaged in the same line of work in Ohio.

DOG BRINGS OUT FIVE POLICEMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 24.—Five policemen are today being hailed as the heroes of the department because they captured a dog yesterday afternoon after three hours of fighting with the canine, which has terrorized two streets and a restaurant.

The dog first put in an appearance on Market street, which its peculiar actions caused women and children to flee in terror. A call was sent in for the police and the dog continued on its way undisputed. It ran up Turk street and into the stairs of a building occupied as a bakery and restaurant. A riot call was sent to the police station by people who thought the dog was mad, and a squad of police headed by Captain Duke responded. The police surrounded the building and three of the bravest of the party went upstairs. The dog yelled and the police fired at it and retreated in disorder.

The dog ran up another flight of stairs, where it was given undisturbed possession. Duke and three men climbed onto the roof with the intention of letting a man down to a window by a rope, but they found this impossible and ventured once more into the room occupied by the dog. This time Captain Duke walked up to the dog and shot it twice more. The dog squirmed and yelled and again the police retreated. But the dog died the next minute.

SAWYER'S BAR MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

SISSON, Cal., August 24.—Thomas Tempest was killed yesterday in the Gold Hill mine at Sawyer's Bar, 75 miles southwest of Yreka. The message summoning Coroner Kueck gave few particulars. It was stated that Tempest was in some manner drawn into a pulley and crushed to death.

Tempest was aged 31 and an old time resident of Sawyer's Bar. Owing to the great distance, Coroner Kueck requested the justice of the peace at Sawyer's Bar to conduct the inquest.

FOREST FIRES DESTRUCTIVE NEAR KLAMATH FALLS

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., August 24.—Klamath county has had several forest fires that have destroyed vast areas of timber, but the damage was not as heavy as in other districts, for through the efficiency of the fire patrol established and maintained by a number of the large landowners in this county the fires were discovered before they had spread over a large territory and exceedingly heavy losses were avoided. A few small fires are still raging in this county, but the flames are under control and there is practically no danger of a further spreading.

Crook county has been exceptionally heavy loser from fires and during the past week seven distinct fires have been raging in that county with the result that a number of persons have lost all or part of the timber on their claims and more than one settler has seen his place go up in smoke.

Back firing has been resorted to on a big scale along the Deschutes, where a fire with a blazing frontage of 15 miles has been devastating a vast area of valuable timber land.

HAINS IS EITHER FAKING OR HAS GONE STARK MAD

PACIFIC FLEET OFF ON CRUISE

Swineburne's Fleet Leaves San Francisco For South Sea Islands

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 24.—Exactly at 10:10 o'clock today the signal "up anchors" ran up on Rear Admiral William T. Swineburne's flag, ship, the West Virginia, which started seven torpedo boat destroyers on their summer cruise to the Samoan islands, which will end at Magalana bay next winter with a battle practice. The cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers were accompanied by the supply ship Solace and the cruiser Buffalo, which will go as far as Honolulu with the fleet. They are fully equipped and prepared for any emergency that might arise.

All day yesterday hundreds of visitors swarmed over the big vessels inspecting them and today the waterfront was lined by several thousands of people who witnessed the departure of the white ships of war.

Towing Torpedo Boats.

Just after the ships had got outside the harbor they slowed up and each threw a hawser to a torpedo boat destroyer, and they started to sea with the little black boats in tow. The two lines are steel of five inches diameter. The towing is done by way of experiment. It is said much coal can be saved in this manner.

The departing fleet is composed of the West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Washington, California and South Dakota. They towed in the wake of each, the destroyers Proble, Stuart, Perry, Hanks, Hall, Truxton and Whipple.

The Pacific fleet is due at Honolulu September 2. It will leave here September 10 and arrive at Pago Pago September 20. The fleet is to leave Pago Pago September 27 and will arrive at Honolulu and the return trip October 7, leaving the same day for San Diego.

The fleet will arrive at San Diego October 28 and stay until October 30, when the vessels will leave for Magalana bay for battle practice. They are due to arrive at Magalana bay November 1 and stay until November 30. The fleet will arrive at San Francisco December 4.

SMALL BOY KNOCKED FROM TRESTLE BY TRAIN

SAN JOSE, Cal., August 24.—Little Herbert Hoerler, a 5-year-old son of Frank Hoerler, a prominent fruit man of Union district, lies dead today the victim of a train accident yesterday. The lad and two brothers were plinking with their mother and father near Los Gatos and were amusing themselves on a railroad trestle when a train came suddenly around a curve. The two older boys jumped from the track, but Herbert, frightened motionless by the rapid approach of the train, stood rooted to the middle of the trestle.

The engine struck him with terrific force, hurling his body into the gulch below, where it fell mangled and lifeless beside his brother, who had jumped from the bridge.

KENNETT HAS REACHED LIMIT ON SALOONS

KENNETT, Cal., August 24.—Application has been made for the 23th saloon at Kennett, which represents the maximum number allowed for this place, as limited by a recent resolution of the supervisors. The regulation has been in effect for some months, but there was no rush to run the number of up to the limit. Twenty-four saloons have sufficed until the present time.

YOUNG GIRL BADLY BURNED

Homesteaders Cabin Burns and a Small Girl Nearly Loses Life in Flames

Ruth White, the 7-year-old daughter of J. W. White, a homesteader in the Applegate district, was seriously burned in a fire which consumed the cabin of the homesteader late Saturday evening. It was thought at first that the child would surely succumb to her injuries, but it has been found that she will recover, though she will probably be scarred for life.

The cabin caught fire about 10 o'clock Saturday evening from a defective flue leading from the cook stove in which a fire had been built about 9 o'clock to prepare some remedy for a younger child's croup. The family had retired and were asleep when suddenly they were awakened by the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. White rushed from the cabin with three small children, overlooking the fact that Ruth was still asleep in her bed. After getting outside Mr. White could hardly restrain his wife from rushing back into the burning cabin when she noticed the absence of Ruth. The girl was awakened by their cries and rushed through a seeming wall of fire to escape from the room. She then ran screaming into to a nearby creek and plunged into the water.

Neighbors who were attracted by the fire made the family comfortable for the night and summoned medical aid. At last accounts the young woman was doing nicely. The cabin burned to the ground and everything was lost. Mr. White says he will immediately rebuild. He was in Medford Monday buying a new stock of necessities.

FISHERMAN HOOKS SHAD AND STARTS FOR SEA VOYAGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 24.—Jack Finnigan, one of the host of Sunday fishermen who try to entice finny prizes out of the waters of the bay, is today the butt of much ridicule from his friends over an experience which befell him yesterday. Finnigan was fishing from the end of the Main street wharf. The sport was dull, and Finnigan fell asleep with his line in his hand. Suddenly he was awakened by a fierce tug and before he could realize what had happened was dragged into the water.

Finnigan is an ardent disciple of Isaac Walton, and despite his cold plunge, held onto the line. He was being rapidly towed out to sea, when Harry Johnson, a boatman, discovered his plight and hauled him into the boat. Together, rescuer and rescued heaved the line aboard and found that Finnigan's unchartered tugboat was a large shad.

PROMINENT YOUNG WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN HER BED

PARIS, August 24.—Whether Miss Winifred Parsons of New York, daughter of the late Charles Parsons, president of the Rome, Watertown & Ogdenburg railroad, committed suicide or was accidentally shot is a question which the authorities are investigating today. With a bullet wound in her head, the young woman was found dead yesterday in her apartments in Avenue Iena. The police say it is a case of suicide, while her friends insist that death was due to an accident. It is known, however, that Miss Parsons had been grieving since her fiancée, a young Frenchman, died of consumption four months ago.

WOMAN OPENS GAMBLING RESORT AND WINS \$10,000

RENO, Nev., August 24.—Church women are today trying to prevail upon the authorities to prevent Nan Rooney, a San Francisco woman, late of Gold field, from conducting a roulette bank which she has opened in this city. The sheriff refused to act, saying that a woman has as much right to conduct a gambling game as a man has, and the religious women threaten to take their fight to the state legislature.

Nan opened her bank here Saturday night, and after two hours' play won \$10,000 from Jack Flynn, a mine manager. Miss Rooney was conducting a game in Goldfield when Elinor Glyn visited that camp, and has received several letters from the author of "Three Weeks."

ASHLAND INTENDS TO OWN WATER AND LIGHT SYSTEM

ASHLAND, Or., August 24.—At a meeting of the city council of Ashland an ordinance was passed providing for the construction and installation of an electric light and power plant to be owned and operated by the city. The issuance of \$20,000 worth of 4 per cent light bonds was ordered for this purpose, under an authority voted by the people in 1905. An election was also called for the people to vote upon an amendment to the charter authorizing an additional issue of \$30,000 worth of 4 1/2 per cent bonds, thereby making a total of \$50,000 for the construction of a municipal plant.

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