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ESTACADA DIVISION IS SCENE OF TRAGEDY

Dead
GILBERT KINDER, Conductor.
WILLIAM MURRAY, Motorman.
Injured
R. L. KEARNEY.

Five cars plunged through a bridge crossing the Clackamas River at River Mill, below Estacada, Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock, killing two and injuring a third member of the train crew. Two motors and three box cars were taken from the main line, and a wood car to a siding across the Clackamas from the main line. On the return over the siding, the whole train plunged through the bridge carrying 300 feet of the structure to the water, 35 feet below, and burying every one of the cars in 69 feet of water.

Gilbert Kinder, well known in Oregon City, the oldest freight conductor employed by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., was instantly killed when the train fell, being struck by a broken piece of his car. His body was recovered soon after the accident by J. W. Stubb, of Estacada, who went into the river and sought among the mass of wreckage for the body of the unfortunate conductor. Kinder's body was taken to Portland. He leaves a widow and seven children.

William Murray, the oldest freight motorman in the company's employ, was drowned and his body has not been recovered. It lies somewhere near the bottom of the Clackamas river, under a pile of twisted wood and steel.

H. L. Klinefelter, a trolleyman who was in the car with Kinder, escaped injury.

The body of Motorman William Murray, 1792 East Fourteenth street, Portland, who lost his life Thursday, together with Conductor Arthur G. Kinder, of Oak Grove, when a P. R. L. & P. train went through the bridge over the reservoir at River Mill on the Estacada line, had not been recovered by Diver Fritz De Rock, up to last night. Efforts for his recovery were commenced as early as possible in the morning, but delays in locating De Rock and in adjusting his apparatus made the hour late before the diver went down.

The breaking of the bottom cord in the center of the bridge is believed to have caused the accident, although a complete investigation has thus far been impossible because of the surrounding wreckage, which has not been cleared away. A recent inspection showed the bridge at that time to be safe and it had been used of late for loads heavier than that of probably the 125 tons of locomotives and two freight cars that fell through in the accident.

President Griffith, president of the company; F. L. Fuller, vice president; O. B. Caldwell, general superintendent, and Frank J. Miller, of the public service commission, went at once to the scene of the accident. Their investigation disclosed nothing more than was known from the first reports.

The two trainmen who lost their lives were veterans in the P. R. L. & P. service. Conductor Kinder, aged 47, was born in Missouri. For 16 years he had been with the company. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Alice Kinder, and five daughters, Neoma, Evelyn, Thelma, Vivian and Ozella. Three brothers, J. W. Kinder, H. E. Kinder and J. R. Kinder, live in Portland, as does one sister, Mrs. I. P. Peyton. Another sister, Mrs. H. N. Walling, resides in Salem. Motorman Murray, 44 years of age, had been with the company 17 years. His widow and four children survive. One son is in the employ of the P. R. L. & P. as a brakeman and the other is now serving in the United States navy.

Coroner Ed Johnson returned to the city late last evening, after holding the inquest at the scene of the wreck. The report of the jury was as follows: "The death of Arthur Kinder was caused by the collapse of the bridge while operating a train across it. Also, William Murray was drowned in the same accident."

The jury made no recommendations, and gave no more detailed findings. R. B. Runyon took the testimony, and District Attorney Gilbert Hedges questioned the witnesses. The story of H. B. Klinefelter, who was in the cab when the car went down, was an interesting account of his 70 foot plunge to the bottom. He states that he was thrown out of the cab door by the impact of the car striking bottom, and that he shot up so fast that he bobbed clear out of the water. He was lucky in striking the only open place in the wreckage and was able to keep afloat until rescuers came. The startling part of his testimony came when he stated that the crew of the train, when they were ordered across the River Mill bridge, objected, as they felt the bridge unsafe. It was said that the men met with the superintendent of bridges, before they would go across, and when they placed their complaint with him, he is said to have told them to go ahead, that the bridge was O. K.

Klinefelter was standing near Murray when they started back across the trestle, and says that just before

TRAIN HITS TRUCK; TWO INJURED AT CLACKAMAS

A light delivery truck, with Ralph Johnson and Elmer Brower, of Clackamas, in it, was struck by a fast moving Southern Pacific passenger train Saturday afternoon, picked up and carried for two hundred yards before the train could be stopped and the two young men were taken from the wreckage alive and conscious, although badly injured.

The accident happened in a narrow lane leading from the county road to the United States fish hatchery on the Clackamas river. The boys had delivered supplies to the hatchery and were returning to Clackamas. Mr. Pourer, an employe at the hatchery, saw the train leave Clackamas station as the boys started and called their attention to it. He went about his work and a few minutes later heard the crash as the train struck the truck.

That the boys were not instantly killed is considered nothing short of a miracle. The train was travelling very rapidly and the machine was almost demolished. The engine struck the car dead center, picked it up and carried it on the pilot until the train was brought to a stop two hundred yards from the crossing.

Elmer Brower was sitting on the right side of the automobile, which was struck, and he sustained the more serious injuries. At first it was not thought he would live, but there are hopes of his recovery. Unless internal injuries materialize later, Ralph Johnson will not suffer much from the accident. He is driving the truck.

Ralph Johnson is the son of Richard Johnson, of Clackamas station, an employe at the government fish hatchery. He is 20 years of age and has been driving the delivery truck for W. F. Haberich, a grocer at Clackamas station. Elmer Brower, aged 35 years, is the son of David Brower, of Clackamas station.

Both boys were brought to the Oregon City hospital on the train. In his rush to the scene of the accident, Dr. Hugh Mount, drove his car into a telephone pole near Park place and tore off a rear fender, smashed in the top and put the machine temporarily out of commission.

COMMERCIAL CLUB COMES TO RESCUE IN DETAIL WORK

The vast amount of detailed work to be done in handling the record of payments on Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps payments has been taken over by the publicity department of the Commercial Club. The publicity committee, at a meeting Monday afternoon, determined to use the department to render aid for this governmental activity and made an appropriation of \$15 a month from the available funds for this purpose. Mrs. Ivy Swafford, the department's stenographer, will handle the necessary bookkeeping under the direction of Chairman Eby and Secretary Robey. All of the record cards that are now being checked over and indorsed, will be turned over to the publicity department and will be posted and credits recorded as payments are made according to the terms of the pledges. The department becomes responsible for the completion of the work, as far as the Oregon City district is concerned.

When I. H. Phipps, rancher of Boring, Clackamas county, was solicited to buy war stamps he is reported to have told the committee that he had no use for the Government, which he denounced vigorously, saying, "the Government has done nothing for me and I do not propose to do anything for it." He was arrested by the Federal authorities yesterday and will be given a hearing before United States Commissioner Drake, Friday, on a charge of violating the amended espionage act.

COUNTY EXCEEDS QUOTA IN DRIVE ON WAR STAMPS

Clackamas county has again demonstrated her ability "to go over the top" whenever the necessity arises. In the drive for the sale of War Savings Stamps just closed the county subscribed \$670,000. The quota was \$464,260.

One hundred districts raised their quota, several of them doubling the amount. The quota for Oregon City was placed at \$118,680, and the amount subscribed was \$119,000. Of the total amount one-half was paid in cash and the balance in pledges.

Among those donating their services in the war stamp work that has been conducted under the supervision of J. E. Calavan, and working in the office of O. D. Eby are Mr. Eby, Mrs. O. D. Eby, F. G. Eby, Mrs. Lily Stipp, Mrs. Dan McMahan, Miss Helen Lovett, Miss Marie Walker, Miss Mary Ellen Grace, and Miss Glyde Schuel.

Much work was accomplished during the past few days, and up to Saturday afternoon many hundreds of cards had been checked.

FINED \$50

Edward Sobzinski, a resident of Parkplace, arrested two weeks ago on a charge of beating his wife, was fined \$50 and costs by Justice John N. Sievers, upon the man pleading guilty.

G. HANSON SECURES AWARD OF DAMAGES IN HESTER ROAD CASE

Judge George Bagley, of Hillsboro, sitting on the circuit court bench in stead of Judge J. U. Campbell, yesterday handed down a judgment order in the amount of \$900 in favor of G. Hanson against the County Court of Clackamas county. The case was heard on an appeal from the decision of the commissioners a short time ago, when they allowed the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$750 for running the highway known as the W. J. Hester road through his place, near Gladstone. Hanson claimed the amount insufficient compensation, and appealed to the circuit court, and the judgment of yesterday was a short cut between Gladstone and the

SPEEDERS FINED FOR FAILURE TO OBEY SPEED LAW

Traveling from 35 to 38 miles an hour over the public highway of Clackamas county cost six speeders \$5 to \$10 fine in Justice Sievers' court Monday. The violators being arrested Sunday by County Speed Officer H. E. Meads. They were L. B. Mullen, Milwaukie, with 10 persons in his car, mostly children, going 38 miles, \$10; Mrs. L. A. Kiesel, 35 miles, \$5; H. Studler, motorcycle, 38 miles, \$5; A. L. Wiles, 38 miles, \$10; G. G. Garrison, 35 miles, \$5; Dr. L. B. Meadows, Vancouver, 35 miles, \$10.

MARRIAGE LICENSE GRANTED

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Fred D. Hukill, aged 34, of Portland, and Pearl E. Thrasher, aged 33, of Denver, Colorado.

COUNTY AGENT SCOTT ARRIVES FOR NEW WORK

R. G. Scott, a graduate of Harvard University, has arrived in Oregon City to take up his duties as county agent of Clackamas county. Mr. Scott is succeeding R. W. Arens, who recently left for Camp Lewis, Wash., to enter the service.

Mr. Scott has been residing at Sherwood, and his wife and four children are to make their home here in the fall. For the past nine years he has been engaged in farming in Washington county, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs.

The new agent is recommended by the Oregon Agricultural College. The extension service of that institution first became acquainted with Mr. Scott about a year ago, when he volunteered his services to assist in the war garden campaign in Portland shortly after the breaking out of the war.

ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE ARMY SERVICE LANDS HARMONY MAN IN JAIL

Oswald Smart, the Harmony lad who was not smart enough to cover all his tracks in his attempted draft evasion, was on Monday sentenced in Federal Judge Wolverton's court in Portland to serve five days in the government bastille, upon the completion of which he is to be immediately inducted into the army, for service at Camp Lewis.

LUMBER-JACKS NEEDED TO AID AIRPLANE WORK

To date no volunteers have appeared in answer to the call for men for the spruce production division of the signal corps at the office of the local selective service board. The allotment for this county has been received, and shows that we are to furnish three chokermen, five head-buckers, and two planer trimmermen. The men will be inducted from the special and limited service branch of class one, although the call is still open to volunteer enlistment from classes 2, 3 and 4. No class 1 men in the July or August calls may enlist for this call. The ten men will be inducted by the 23d, and are to entrain on the 29th, for Vancouver barracks, where they will be assigned to the highly important work of getting out airplane spruce.

SALEM PAPER SUSPENDED AS PRINTERS LEAVE

SALEM, Or., July 15.—Union printers and pressmen in the employ of the Daily Capital Journal, published here by Charles H. Fisher, today walked out in a body, following adoption of resolutions exhorting the Journal and its management for its editorial views implying, according to the union men, that union labor is in sympathy with the Kaiser and enemies of the Government of the United States. The resolutions, which were adopted by Capital Typographical declare that the union "heretofore indorses and authorizes the withdrawal of its members from that office and that such withdrawal remain in effect so long as the present management of the Daily Capital Journal exists."

Publisher Fisher issued a handbill today stating that the man had walked out because of criticism in his editorials and stated that the paper will "not be gagged" and that it will be published within a few days.

L. S. Barnes, of Portland, president of the Capital Journal Company, communicated with the executive council of the union by telephone, asking that steps be taken to publish a paper to-day to guard his interests. The executive committee agreed to publish a paper for Mr. Barnes, providing Mr. Fisher left the office. Mr. Fisher declined to allow publication under those conditions.

IOVAN NICHOLLOVE SENT TO VANCOUVER TO FACE OFFICIALS

Accompanied by Officers Burk and Surtus, one Iovan Nichollove has returned to Vancouver, where he will be held by the local war board to explain why his classification card happened to be not with him. The man, who is a Bulgarian, was arrested here late Thursday night by the police, and while he had his registration card, there was no evidence that he had filled out a questionnaire for the selective service. He registered at Vancouver on June 5, 1917, and after spending two nights in the county jail here the authorities decided that he be sent back there for disposition.

ITALIAN ADMITS HAVING VIOLATED PROHIBITION LAW

Angelo Tigil, an Italian, at whose home the sheriff's department found a large quantity of liquor a few days ago following the arrest of three fellow Italians in Milwaukie on a charge of having liquor in their possession, pleaded guilty in Justice John N. Sievers' court on the charge of having liquor in his possession and was fined \$25 and costs. The court instructed Deputy Sheriff A. E. Joyner to proceed at once to Tigil's home near Milwaukie, and destroy the liquor.

LIEUTENANT ROOSEVELT KILLED BY HUN AIRMAN

AUTO THIEF CALIFORNIA

The report reached the city through a telegram to the sheriff's office yesterday, that Thomas Moore, who was shot by a San Francisco police officer last week while endeavoring to make away with a stolen automobile, had died, from the injuries received. Evidence that young Moore, who was 19 years of age, had stolen the Hudson car from here belonging to W. A. Long, and driven as far as Ashland, and then with two companions making his way into California, is almost conclusive say the authorities. Mr. Long's car was recovered, and warrants were out for Moore's arrest, when he tried the same stunt with the police at San Francisco, and failed to get away with it. Details of his death are lacking, but it is understood that he was shot in the abdomen by a revolver in the hands of a constable at Daly City, nine miles from San Francisco. He is said to have started to run when ordered to halt, and after his two pals had given up, the car which he had taken belonged to a San Franciscan, is the report, and the lads had made their way as far as Daly City when they were caught.

Moore is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, of Mt. Pleasant, and by one sister and four brothers. The family has resided in this vicinity for the past 15 years, and are well known. Young Tom has been in a number of escapades before, and the local police credit him with a half hundred or more petty thieveries around the neighborhood.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced, but it is understood that the body is being shipped to this point for burial.

CAMP FREEMONT CALL FOR NINETEEN CLASS ONE MEN IS RECEIVED

In a call which it is calculated will clean up the class one registration of the county, nineteen selectives will be ordered to prepare for departure to Camp Freemont, California, on or about the fifth of August. Provided the list of available men will not cover the call the orders received by the local board are to accept the men from the 1918 class to complete it. The names of those to be selected have not yet been made public.

Fifty-six of the new class of registrants reported here yesterday forenoon for their physical examinations, and it is expected that the coming week will see the whole list of 192 with their classification completed. Definite figures on the per centage of class one men in the number have not yet been compiled, but the original estimate of the war board of about 35 percent still seems to be holding good. There are also a number of class five men being called in for physical re-examination and it is expected that a portion of them will be qualified for special and limited service work. These men are mainly those who were put in class five last year, due to slight or permanent physical disqualifications, but a number of the cases will have been so improved as to make the men available for an immediate call.

SMART CONVICTED FOR DRAFT EVASION IN FEDERAL COURT

Oswald Smart, charged with perjury in making a false statement when he failed to register on June 5, 1917, has been convicted in the federal court at Portland and will be sentenced Monday. He contended that he had reached the age of 31 years on June 2, 1917, and this statement was supported by affidavits from his mother and father. School records and registration information, however, showed Smart to have been within the draft age.

WALTER UNIKER BADLY INJURED OVER SMASH-UP

Walter Uniker, of Gladstone, was severely injured when his motorcycle crashed into a touring car at Clackamas Saturday afternoon. He was taken to the office of Dr. Mount, where his injuries were dressed and he was taken to his home. The touring car was badly damaged.

AMSTERDAM, July 12.—The death of Field Marshal von Hindenburg is announced in Les Nouvelles, a French language newspaper at The Hague.

Von Hindenburg's death, which resulted from congestion of the brain, is said to have occurred after a stormy interview with the German Emperor at great headquarters at Spa. The Emperor and the field marshal are declared to have had serious differences of opinion concerning the German offensive toward Paris.

The violent interview between Von Hindenburg and Emperor William took place on May 16 Les Nouvelles says. It was followed by an apoplectic stroke.

The newspaper says its information was obtained "from good sources in the occupied district of Belgium."

HINDENBURG DIES AFTER FIGHT WITH WAR LORD

CANBY CITIZEN UNDER ARREST EVADES DRAFT

Facing a charge of impersonating an officer of the U. S. Army and of evading the draft law, Merle Cox formerly of Canby, Clackamas County, has been arrested in Fairbanks, Alaska. He is a married man, with four children, but his family is in Portland, where his wife is employed at the Home for the Aged. Cox was placed in Class 4 when he registered, but last February he went away, and upon an affidavit from his wife that he had ceased to support his family, he was reclassified and placed in Class 1. When he failed to report for physical examination, he was reported as a delinquent to the adjutant general's office. News of his arrest reached here Friday by wire from Alaska. He may be compelled to enter the service. His case will be rigidly investigated, as he has lost three fingers from his right hand, although only two of the digits were missing when he left Canby.

LOAN OF \$300 FOR DAY RUNS OVER 3 YEARS

Alleging that she had made a loan of \$300 to R. W. Cary and W. F. Cary in January of 1915, with the express understanding that it was to be returned to her the following day, Aurelia C. Gerber has come to the conclusion that the defendants in the action just filed, do not intend to keep their promise. So the court is asked to grant her judgment for the sum, and also \$22 additional, which was loaned at the same time by O. S. C. Gerber to the defendants, under the same conditions. This account has been assigned to the plaintiff in the suit for collection. Interest on the sums at the rate of 8 per cent since the date of the deals is asked for in the complaint.

ASKWITH GETS JUDGMENT

H. A. Askwith was yesterday afternoon awarded a judgment against the First State bank of Milwaukie, C. F. Richardson, Richard W. Scott and Theodore Schell in the sum of \$348.16, with interest at 6 per cent since March of last year, and with the sum of \$50 additional for the attorney's fees.



Because several persons who watched the Fourth of July parade in Springfield, Mass., failed to remove their hats when the flag passed there its beginning, with the police trying to stop it.