

CHIEF IS KILLED IN \$200,000 FIRE

WALLA WALLA BLOCK BURNED
AND ENTIRE CITY IS
THREATENED.

VICTIM SUFFOCATED IN BASEMENT

Aide Injured And Comrades Are
Balked In Effort To Aid
Firemen — Flames
Subdued.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 26.—Assistant Fire Chief Robert J. Wolf was killed, Lieutenant William Davis, dangerously burned, and approximately \$200,000 in property was destroyed today by fire in the Jones building, a three-story structure at Second and Alder street in the heart of the business district.

The fire was the worst Walla Walla has had for a quarter of a century. For six hours it raged uncontrolled, and at times it was thought certain parts of the business district, surrounding would be burned.

The fire started in the cotton store room of the A. M. Jensen & Company dry goods store, and was discovered by an employe, Edgar Strauss at 1 o'clock.

After vainly trying to combat it with buckets of water from a faucet, he turned in an alarm and both departments responded. At first it seemed but a small basement fire and stores upstairs were not alarmed. It was while the fire was still in the basement that Wolf lost his life. In loading a string of hose to the basement he became lost and it is thought that a door slammed shut on him, for his cries for help were heard twice. Wesley A. Tureman, of Jensen & Company, saw Wolf go down just as he came out and Wolf was not seen later.

Fire Chief William Metz made an heroic attempt to rescue Wolf, as also did Lieutenant Davis, who is in the hospital with badly burned arms and legs. He used an oxygen helmet, but the fierce heat drove Davis back.

The body of Assistant Chief Wolf was taken from the building at 8 o'clock this evening. He was not badly burned and the position of the body, at the foot of the stairs leading to the main floor, indicated that he had been suffocated.

The fire mounted the walls of the building, which is an old brick structure originally built for an implement house. Twice it seemed under control, but both times blazed out fiercely.

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WOODMEN OF WORLD INSTALL OFFICERS

The following officers were installed at meeting of Willamette Falls No. 148, Woodmen of the World, Friday evening:

Council Commander—William Hammond.
Advisor Lieutenant—Perry Barnea.
Banker—M. E. Dunn.
Clerk—E. H. Cooper.
Manager—Otto Erlson.
Escort—Frank Oliver.
Watchman—W. H. Smith.
Sentry—E. Andrus.

Five members were initiated and several applications were received. The camp has 496 members and applications to increase the membership to 525. A fine supper was served.

HARMON DENIES HE FAVORS CLASSES

NTW YORK, Jan. 26.—Declaration that he is the friend of everybody who is straight and square, whether he be the president of a big corporation or a street laborer, is made by Governor Judson Harmon, of Ohio, Democratic presidential possibility, in the current issue of the Outlook. Harmon's statement is in the form of an "authorized interview," and says in part:

"Of itself, a corporation is neither good nor bad. It is only what its officers make it. From my viewpoint there is nothing to be gained by fining a corporation. Proper and effective punishment of the men really responsible for wrongdoing is the only thing that will have an immediate and wholesome effect."

Referring to the quip of the Gridiron Club in Washington, which quoted him as saying, "I am a friend of the classes, and the classes are friends of mine," Governor Harmon says:

"I want to be friendly with everybody who is on the square. It makes no difference whether he is a farm laborer or a trust president, so long as he does the right thing. But I am against grafters. As for the classes being friends of mine, I don't know whether they are or not. If they are and are hoping to get something from me that they should not have, they are going to be fooled."

Harmon also declares that so far as Ohio is concerned the initiative and referendum measures are still in an experimental stage. In reiterating his opposition to the recall of judges, the governor says:

"Incompetent and unworthy officials are rare exceptions. The recall of judges by a mere vote would, I think, be especially injurious to the proper administration of justice."

THE OUTLET PERPETRATED BY WALT McDUGALL



GOVERNOR HERE TODAY FOR ROAD CONFERENCE

Committees representing the Commercial Club and East Side Capital Highway Association will go to New Era today to meet Governor West, who is coming to Oregon City to make arrangements for establishing convict camps in this county for obtaining rock for improving the roads. Quarries at New Era will be examined by the governor and the committee and it is probable that the first camp will be established there. The entertainment committee of the Commercial Club probably will give a luncheon in honor of the Governor and party. George Rodgers, chairman of the State Highway Commission will accompany the Governor to this city.

HORTON DISPOSES OF ICE PLANT INTEREST

L. P. Horton has sold his interest in the Oregon City Ice Works to N. T. Humphrey, who has been employed at the plant of the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper Company. The business hereafter will be conducted by Roy B. Cox and Mr. Humphrey, each having a half interest in it. Mr. Horton who is the father-in-law of Mr. Cox, has not decided what he will do in future. He severed his connection with the ice business because he felt that the work was too confining. It is the intention of Messrs. Cox and Humphrey to erect a large storage room in order to guard against a shortage of ice in case of an unexpected increase in demand or accident to the plant.

AERIAL ATTACK UPON

PEKING BEING PLANNED.
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—Six American-built biplanes are carried by the revolutionary army advancing on Peking, according to a cablegram received here today. The aeroplanes were built in Cleveland, by American manufacturers, and will be manned by Chinese aviators, who have spent months in the practice of aerial warfare. The revolutionary troops in command of General Lum Shood Hing, were massed at Nanking, and the march was begun Wednesday. According to the dispatch, an attack upon Peking is looked upon by the revolutionary chiefs as unavoidable.

EVANS

AT THE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
TONIGHT

SUBJECT:
**"THE CHURCH WITH
THE HOBBLE SKIRT"**

SECRETARY GIVES PRIMARY RULES

MARCH 9 LATEST DATE ON
WHICH CANDIDATES MAY
FILE PETITIONS.

MORE TIME GIVEN FOR SENDING CUTS

County Clerks Must Have Printed
Notices of Election Posted
in Public Places
By March 19.

Secretary of State Olcott has sent out the following information regarding the primary election:

March 9—Latest date on which candidates for nomination by a political party (which party at the next preceding general election polled at least 25 per cent of the entire vote cast for that office in the State) may file petitions for nomination with the Secretary of State, provided the candidates desire to file with the Secretary of State portrait cuts or typewritten statements for publication in the voters' party pamphlet.

March 11—Latest date on which any person or persons, opposing any candidate for nomination by a political party (which at the next preceding general election for its candidate for Representative in Congress polled at least 25 per cent of the entire vote cast for that office in the State) may file reasons against the nomination of candidates with the Secretary of State.

March 17—Latest date on which candidates for nomination by a political party (which at the next preceding general election for its candidate for Representative in Congress polled at least 25 per cent of the entire vote cast for that office in the State) or friends can file cuts and arguments in their favor with the Secretary of State, provided the candidates' petitions have been filed with the Secretary of State before March 9, 1912.

March 19—Date on which county clerks shall prepare printed notices of primary nominating election and mail two copies thereof to each judge and clerk of election in each precinct.

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EX-OREGON CITY BOY TO BE TAFT WORKER

Clark H. Williams, manager of the press bureau of the Portland Commercial Club, who has been chosen manager of the Taft committee publicity work in the coming campaign, is a son of Mrs. T. A. Williams, of Gladstone, and formerly worked for Oregon City newspapers. Next Monday he will take up the work, which will continue until after the primary election in the spring. Ever since the press bureau of the Commercial Club was created Mr. Williams has been in charge of that work, and has developed familiarity with industrial and political conditions of the state. Through his efforts hundreds of columns of publicity pertaining to Oregon resources and opportunities have been published in the papers of the Nation beyond Oregon, and many scores of photographs. This work is conceded to have given Oregon the greatest and best publicity it could have achieved, at a low cost. The Taft committee publicity work will consist of furnishing to the state press all news pertaining to the Taft campaign, and will be instrumental in circulating the Taft arguments in defense of the Administration work. Booklets will be issued, public meetings will be arranged, and an active campaign conducted. Next Monday the committee will open headquarters in the Selling building, Sixth and Alder streets.

EASTHAM TEACHERS HAVE CELEBRATION

The teachers of the Eastham school celebrated the close of a successful half-year's work with a sumptuous dinner Friday afternoon. Examinations were long and two whole hours, and a heavy fine was imposed for the mere mention of "Billy's high grade in spelling." Following was the menu:

- Assorted Fruits
- Ripe Olives
- Roast Chicken with Stuffing
- Escaloped Potatoes
- Bread and Butter
- Eastham Salad
- Nut Sandwiches
- Almond Cream Cake
- Chocolate.

Miss Caulfield's room was the scene of the feast. The room was decorated with potted plants, and the table laid for ten was decorated with violets. Professor N. W. Bowland, principal, the guest of honor, acted as toastmaster.

The luncheon was followed by an informal hour, during which the teachers told of their work. The following were present:

N. W. Bowland, Roma G. Stafford, Anna T. Smith, Marcia Romig, Maude Mason, Christabel Jewett, Queene Adams, Marjorie Caulfield, Ethel Park, Katherine Montgomery.

GIVE DANCE TONIGHT.
Messrs. Price and Spagle will give the first dancing party at the Armory since it was renovated, this evening. The Farmer orchestra of five pieces will furnish the music.

PROGRESS MADE IN FIGHT FOR RATE

SOUTHERN PACIFIC AGENT HAS
CONFERENCE WITH
ASSOCIATION.

OREGON CITY HAS BIG ADVANTAGE

Official Unable To Give Anything
Definite Because Long And
Short Haul Case Has
Not Been Decided.

General Freight Agent H. E. Lounsbury, of the Southern Pacific Company, was in conference with the directors of the Oregon City Terminal Rate Association Friday night for several hours, and the net result of the meeting was a better understanding between the representatives of the local shippers and the chief representative of the freight department of the Southern Pacific Company in this territory.

Mr. Lounsbury arrived here at 6 o'clock from Portland and was met by B. T. McBain, head of the local association, and was given a dinner at a local restaurant, where an appetizing menu was discussed. Mr. McBain was the host and there were present besides Mr. Lounsbury, L. Adams, A. A. Price, E. Schwab, W. A. Huntley, M. J. Brown and E. E. Brodie.

After dinner a two hours' conference took place at the Commercial Club, relative to the application for a terminal rate at Oregon City. Many pertinent points were introduced, among them being the local rate of 18 cents per 100 pounds that is charged on through rates from Portland to Oregon City, and which the association seeks to have eliminated by making Oregon City a terminal point.

Care was taken by Mr. Lounsbury to explain that freight rates were being steadily pounded down and as fast as adverse decisions had been made, the railroad companies had sought to meet those conditions by effecting savings in operating expenses, in improving trackage, eliminating curves, making larger cars and in other ways. The railroad man said that he believed the transportation companies had about reached their limit and were now facing a condition where a further decrease in revenue would mean that profits would be reduced to next to nothing.

Mr. Lounsbury was naturally backward in stating his real attitude toward terminal rates for Oregon City—in fact he was unable to give anything definite on account of the Supreme Court not yet having handed down its decision in the Long and Short Haul case now before it. This decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission was upheld by the Supreme Court on account of the fact that the Interstate Commerce Commission having decided that it was against the intent of the fourth section of the Interstate Commerce Act as amended for railroads to charge more for a short haul than for a long haul under like conditions.

This section of the law of course, does not cover the entire matter, but Oregon City, with its natural and geographical advantages, should the Supreme Court sustain the lower court, will be in a much better position than any other Oregon point now claiming terminal rates.

Mr. Lounsbury, of course, could not come out and agree with the terminal rate association directors on this point, but did advise that the association save its money and await the decision, which has given the directors more confidence in their side of the case.

It developed at the meeting that the O. W. R. & N. Company would soon withdraw from the river service between Portland and Oregon City locks, making it necessary for the mills on the West Side to take care of their own freight. The railroad company, however, has offered to sell its boat to the West Side industries, but there is more likelihood of a new transportation company being organized and incorporated to handle this business, with Oregon steamer work in conjunction with the steamer N. R. Lang.

DIVORCED FROM MAN SHE SAYS QUIT WORK

Lucile Watson, who charged that her husband quit working soon after their marriage, and began drinking to excess, was granted a divorce Friday by Judge Campbell from Arthur Watson. They were married in Salem, July 11, 1910. The plaintiff says that her husband drank to such an extent and remained away from home so frequently at night that she was forced to leave him. She was awarded the custody of their child, Arthur William Watson.

MISS HANNY ENTERTAINS.
Miss Wynne Hanny was the hostess last night at the meeting of the Bachelor Girls. Miss Mayme Babcock won the prize at cards. The hostess served delicate refreshments and her guests were the Misses Dolly Pratt, Edna Caulfield, Clara Caulfield, Gis Barclay Pratt, Myrtle Parker, Mayme Babcock, Ola Mickey, Ruth Brightbill, Elizabeth Roos, Zida Goldsmith, June Charman, Bess Gallogly, Nieta Harding, Maud Gallogly and Mrs. E. Kenneth Stanton.

MISS MONDAY GETS LICENSE TO WED FRIDAY.
A marriage license was issued Friday to Mattie Monday and Wade H. Preston.

Read the Morning Enterprise.

DR. CARL LEFT ESTATE TO FRIENDS

MISS KATE BARCLAY GETS \$2,000
AND MISS DOLLY PRATT
\$1,000.

DR. C. H. MEISSNER IS REMEMBERED

Oregon City Lodge of Elks Given
Library With Exception of
Books Relating to
Medicine.

Miss Kate Barclay, Miss Dolly Pratt, Dr. C. H. Meissner and the Oregon City Lodge of Elks are the chief beneficiaries of the will of the late Dr. Walter E. Carl that was filed for probate here Friday afternoon. Besides life insurance amounting to \$3,000, Dr. Carl had a very valuable library, which cost him about \$8,000.

Frank J. Langan, an attorney of Portland, and James P. Lovett, a lifelong friend of Dr. Carl, residing in Oregon City, are made executors of the will, without bonds. The will was executed November 27, 1911, two days before Dr. Carl's death. The estate is distributed as follows:

Miss Kate Barclay, \$2,000 insurance policy in Willamette Falls Camp, No. 148, Woodmen of the World.

Dr. C. H. Meissner, medical library and surgical instruments and appliances.

Oregon City Lodge, No. 1189, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, library, other than medical books.

Rev. A. Hillebrand, set of Winsor's Narrative and Critical History of America.

Thomas Lovett, all jewelry, including watch, stick pins, etc.

Norman R. Lang, Jr., binocular field glasses.

Mrs. W. E. Pratt, Andrews History of Scotland, and all pictures and furniture, except office furniture.

John Tucker, son of Dr. Tucker, of Portland, silver loving cup.



Dr. Walter E. Carl, who remembered friends in will.

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TOBACCO USERS ARE HIT BY EVANGELIST

"A smoking Christian may be saved but if he would cut out his tobacco he would be a much cleaner Christian," declared Evangelist Evans, in a sermon at the Baptist church last night. Mr. Evans spoke to the largest audience in the present campaign. His subject was "Letting Your Light Shine."

"The man who prays in church on Sunday and preys on his neighbors during the week, is the man for whom the world has contempt," said Mr. Evans.

Mr. Evans denounced real estate men who misrepresent the facts.

"If you real estate men were absolutely honest," said the evangelist, "you would add a postscript to every letter and say, 'We have sixteen saloons in Oregon City,' and every man who votes for them would blush to tell the truth and tremble with fear lest the real truth would spoil his prospects."

"The most of you men outside the church who growl at the faults of the church are too devilish mean to give up your own sins and so you and the few hypocrites in the church all stumble into hell together."

Rev. Hayworth baptized a class of eleven Friday night and several are waiting for the ordinance.

Mr. Evans will speak tonight on "The Church with the Hobble Skirt." The meetings will continue over Sunday and possibly a part of next week.

KITSEN'S CONDITION IS MUCH IMPROVED

L. E. Kitsen, formerly connected with the Home Telephone Company of this city, but now employed by the Northwestern Long Distance Company in Vancouver, Wash., who was hurt while making repairs, is slightly improved. Mr. Kitsen is at St. Joseph's Hospital, Vancouver, where he was taken shortly after the accident. He has many friends in this city who were alarmed over his condition. Several of his friends here have visited him since the accident.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES DECIDE UPON SITE

COUNCIL TO BE ASKED TO GIVE
LOCATION JUST BELOW
M'LOUGHLIN PARK.

MAINTENANCE MONEY NOW ASSURED

Trustees Decide Not To Move From
Present Quarters Until New
Building Is Ready
For Use.

The trustees of the Oregon City Library have decided upon the site of the old Singer flour mill, which is west of the Singer Hill road, east of the Southern Pacific tracks and between Seventh and Ninth streets, as the location for the building which Andrew Carnegie has agreed to provide for the city. The trustees will at the next meeting of the city council present a petition asking that the city turn over the property to the association.

A request also will be made, if the council agrees to the use of the site for a library, that it be surveyed and platted by the city engineer. The trustees of the association think the location the most admirable one obtainable. It commands a fine view of the river and valley, and will be seen by all persons passing through the city. The increased valuation of property for assessment purposes assures the library without increasing the levy of one-half mill of an income from this source of almost \$1,300 a year. Mr. Carnegie in his letter, agreeing to give \$12,500 for a library in this city stipulated that \$1,200 annually must be assured for maintaining the institution. With the permission of the city to use the lot decided upon by the trustees all the requirements of Mr. Carnegie will have been met, and work on the building will be started.

The trustees have decided not to move from present quarters until the new building is ready for occupancy. The executive committee of the Masonic Lodge insisted that the library association, which pays \$18 a month for the use of the room, should furnish its own light. Heretofore the lodge has furnished the light. A suggestion was made that another room be obtained, but it found that the cost of moving probably would be greater than the expenditure for lights until the new building is ready for use.

CHARTER COMMITTEE MAKES FINE PROGRESS

The charter board, appointed by ex-Mayor Brownell and the City Council made much progress in its revision of the charter at a meeting Friday evening. Messrs. Stipp and Schuebel presented a type-written copy of the changes that had been made in the old charter at former meetings of the board, and the work of considering this was started. The board has about definitely decided that the charter shall provide for five councilmen, one from each ward and two from the city at large, and that the council shall elect one of its members mayor. The revised charter also provides for the election of a business manager by the council.

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