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WHEN LAUNCH STRIKES PORT-  
LAND MAN SWIMS TO SHORE  
FOR BOAT

### WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE SAVED

F. A. Lucas, After Exciting Race In  
Bear River Straits, Wins—  
Launch Hits Fish-  
trap

SOUTH BEND, Wash., July 29.—  
I. A. Lucas, 51, who lives in Lake  
county, California, and J. W. Rannels,  
aged 52, 217 East Fourth street, Al-  
bany, Or., were drowned and five oth-  
ers had remarkable escapes from  
death when a launch in which they  
were riding struck a submerged fish-  
trap piling in Bear River straits.

The rescue of two women and two  
small children by F. A. Lucas, brother  
of one of the drowned men and one  
of the owners of the townsite, was as  
heroic as it was sensational.

When the bow of the launch or dory  
struck the piling the latter was shoved  
through the boat and extended  
some distance above the gunwale.  
There the boat was held fast in the  
stream.

Rannels and I. A. Lucas were seated  
in the stern of the boat when it  
struck and both were precipitated in-  
to the water, in the widest part of the  
straits, two miles south of the town  
of Chetio Harbor and away from any  
available help. The two men began  
to swim for a mudflat 250 feet away.  
When about 50 feet from the mud flats  
Rannels sank.

I. A. Lucas was a capital swimmer  
and reached the mud flats. His appar-  
ent intention was to hasten to the  
mill at Chetio Harbor, some three  
miles away, by a circuitous route, and  
bring back a rowboat. After leaving  
the mud flats there was a slough, the  
high tide filling it to about ten feet  
at that time. Lucas was hurrying  
along when he suddenly plunged over  
a precipitous bank of the slough and  
was drowned.

It is believed he was so exhausted  
that he could not help himself, clothed  
as he was in heavy clothing and log-  
ger's shoes. Both bodies were recover-  
ed at 4 o'clock this morning, the tide  
however, having washed Lucas' body  
back into the main channel.

As soon as the launch struck, and  
F. A. Lucas, a brother, took in the  
situation, he stripped himself, except  
a white shirt. He swam to the mud  
flats and waded in mud kneedeep to  
the shore, then waded over the sharp  
stones for three miles barefooted and  
naked, scaling a bluff and climbing  
through slashings to the mill, where  
the rowboat was anchored.

It was then a pull of two miles back  
to where the launch was pinned, with  
its human freight. Steadily the tide  
kept rising and each minute  
brought the two women, Mrs. F. A.  
Lucas and her sister, Mrs. H. C. Cour-  
ter, and her two children, Loleta 9,  
and Kermit 7, of Portland nearer their  
doom.

As the water rose the women boost-  
ed the children a little higher up on  
the bow of the boat and later upon the  
nose of the launch.

In the distance, two miles away,  
they saw the launch pinned upon the  
wharf. Faster and faster they rowed  
and faster and faster the tide kept  
rising until it had submerged the wo-  
men and children to their necks,  
when, exhausted and bleeding from  
his terrible race over stones and  
through slashings, Lucas reached the  
imperiled women and children. They  
were safely taken off and returned to  
Chetio Harbor.

## FAIR CROP YIELD IS EXPECTED HERE

The crop conditions in Clackamas  
County this year are more encourag-  
ing than for several years, and the  
yield will be above the average. The  
potato crop is the largest for years,  
and the growers are anticipating an  
average price. They say the hot  
weather will cause a short crop in  
California, and that the general supply  
will not be larger than usual. There  
is only a fair wheat yield, the aphid  
having done a great deal of damage.

The hay crop will be large although  
rain did considerable damage. The  
out prospect is fine. The fruit crop  
in general is fair, although there will  
be a small prune yield. However,  
growers of prunes are now much more  
encouraged than they were two weeks  
ago, and many of the orchards are  
expected to produce almost as much  
fruit as last year. Plums and peaches  
will be short, due to damage done by  
a late frost.

While the apple crop is fair, there  
is great disappointment over the pros-  
pect. It was thought early that there  
would be an unusually large yield.

## HOMESTEAD BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The  
House of Representatives today passed  
the Borah bill, previously passed  
by the senate, directing that patents  
shall issue to homesteaders on Govern-  
ment irrigation projects as soon as  
they comply with the requirements of  
the homestead law.

This will give them title after three  
years instead of waiting 10 and 15  
years, as under the present law.

As the bill was passed the provision  
requiring the payment of at least 40  
percent water charges as a condition  
to receiving the patent was stricken  
out.

The efforts of President Taft in be-  
half of this bill aided materially in  
its passage.

## SINGLE TAX HIT BY LEGISLATOR

F. M. GILL POINTS OUT HOW POOR  
MAN WOULD BE  
SUFFERER

### CONFISCATION SURE TO RESULT

Writer Insists That Graduated Plan  
Would Not Remedy Condi-  
tion—Suggestion Is  
Offered

ESTACADA, Or., July 29, (Editor of  
the Enterprise).—Some months ago I  
discussed single tax, pointing out that  
it would increase the burden of tax  
upon the citizen least able to pay and  
decrease it upon the citizen most able  
to pay. The article drew forth no re-  
ply at the time. The graduated single  
tax amendment to the constitution is  
the reply, for by soaking it to the fel-  
low who has more than \$10,000 assess-  
ed to his credit they expect to de-  
crease the tax upon the man who is  
assessed for less. It would work out  
that way too. But let me call to your  
attention the while all persons assess-  
ed less than \$10,000 will pay less than  
they now pay the inequality between  
the man on an improved farm and  
the man who is improving a new farm  
will remain relatively the same as  
under the Simon-pure single tax. Each  
will pay less than now, but the man  
on the income producing farm very  
much less than the man on the im-  
proving farm just being improved.

Mr. Parikson, who is one of the  
authors of the graduated single tax  
amendment, told me it was the pur-  
pose of the men who introduced it to  
cause the large land holder to either  
sell his large holdings in smaller par-  
cels or transfer the land to the state.  
The state would then sell the land in  
small tracts to home builders on long  
time, low interest rates. The graduat-  
ed tax amendment then intends to  
confiscate large holdings of property.  
Confiscation of property without pay-  
ment of its value to its rightful owner  
violates the commandment "Thou  
shalt not steal," and is morally wrong  
it matters not if the values are an  
enormous increase. Society from time  
immemorial has recognized the right  
of private property in this unearned  
increment and has given its letters  
patent therefore. I have no right to  
go to your barn and take your horse  
without your consent or the payment  
for him to you of his community value.  
If there were one man and a horse  
upon an island far out in the  
Pacific ocean, the horse would have  
no pecuniary value to the man be-  
cause there is no one to sell him to.  
The land of the island would have no  
value for the same reason. If a 100  
men settle upon the island both horses  
and land get a value. If a thousand  
men settle upon it the land will be  
much more valuable and the value of  
horses will remain about the same be-  
cause the number of horses may be  
increased with the increase of popula-  
tion but the land will remain the same.  
Therefore if I take your horse with-  
out payment of its value I take a com-  
munity made value. If the state takes  
my land without paying me its pres-  
ent community made value, it is just  
as much theft as it would be for me  
to take your horse without paying for  
it. Hence confiscation is morally  
wrong, and the graduated single tax  
aims to produce a moral wrong be-  
cause it aims to confiscate property.

I have shown that it is easier to  
get a monopoly in land than in other  
things of value, by the illustration of  
the land and the horse. The land  
monopolist should be restrained, but  
there is a right way and a wrong way.  
The graduated land tax and confisca-  
tion are the wrong way. In my opin-  
ion the state should exercise the right  
of eminent domain and purchase the  
lands held in idleness by land specu-  
lators at an appraised value. It should  
then be sold to actual home builders  
at a reasonable rate of interest on  
small payments. Areas west of the  
Cascade mountains should be restrict-  
ed to an acreage of not to exceed 500  
acres to any one person. East of the  
mountains each person should be lim-  
ited to 1,000 acres. Land should be  
required to be kept in beneficial use,  
or be subject to sale to some one who  
will put it to beneficial use.

One of the unfair parts of the gradu-  
ated land tax may be illustrated in  
this way. The amendment says the  
tax shall be levied "within the county."  
I may own \$10,000 of assessable  
property in each of the 34 counties of  
the state, a total of \$340,000 in the  
state. I would pay no specific or  
graduated tax on any \$340,000 in the  
various counties, but my brother may  
own \$340,000 of assessable property  
in Clackamas County. He pays \$8,  
350 in graduated land tax. I pay nothing  
by the single taxer that the single  
tax is a panacea for poverty. It is in-  
conceivable to me that it will assist  
the poor by taking money out of their  
pockets. Every man has a limited an-  
nual earning power. Taxes are paid  
in cash and are paid out of these an-  
nual earnings. It doesn't make any  
difference to the man who pays the  
tax whether it is paid upon the land  
or the land value. It is just so much  
money anyway. The ultimate aim of  
the single taxer is communal own-  
ership of property, the state to own all  
land, the people merely renters of the  
state. Community ownership of prop-  
erty has been tried at various times  
in history and has always been a fail-  
ure. There is no panacea for poverty.  
Christ said the poor you have with  
you always. The single taxer will find  
this as true now as it was 2,000 years  
ago and single tax will not change  
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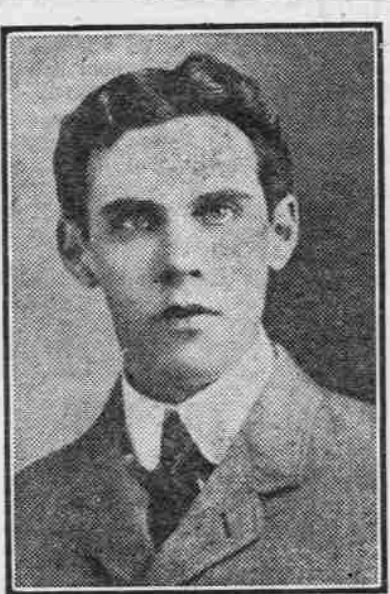
## DO YOUR DUTY, OFFICER.



Senator Newell Sanders, New United  
States Senator from Tennessee, suc-  
ceeding the late Robert L. Taylor.

## NOTED TEACHER IS NAMED SUPERVISOR

The Clackamas County Education  
Board has elected Miss Vinetti Hewitt  
a school supervisor, to succeed Mrs.  
Emily Shaw, who resigned to become  
principal of the Wichita school. She  
will be assigned the territory, which  
Mrs. Shaw had. With the appoint-  
ment of Miss Hewitt the list of super-  
visors is complete. Her term will ex-  
pire January 1, when Mrs. Elizabeth  
C. Curran will be named. Miss Hewitt  
was county superintendent of Lin-  
coln county four years, going from  
there to Cheney where she had charge  
of the rural work. Later she became  
deputy state superintendent in Wash-  
ington, having charge of rural work,  
with headquarters in Olympia.  
Miss Hewitt is a specialist in pri-  
mary work having many methods  
which primary teachers could use to  
advantage. Because of her special  
qualifications, County Superintendent  
Gary has arranged to have her con-  
duct a school for primary work in this  
city for one week beginning Septem-  
ber 2. No charge will be made for  
the instruction and all teachers of pri-  
mary departments are urged to attend.



Wrisley Brown, Special assistant to  
Attorney General, who had charge  
of the impeachment case of the Gov-  
ernor against Judge Robert W.  
Archibald of the Commerce Court.

## WILLAMETTE TO KEEP STOCK OFF STREETS

A new stock ordinance became ef-  
fective in Willamette at noon Monday.  
The ordinance prohibits the running  
of horses, sheep, swine, goats, etc., at  
large and provides that cows must  
be kept in enclosures at night. Cows  
may graze from 6 o'clock in the morn-  
ing until 8 o'clock in the evening. An  
ordinance providing that thistles and  
other obnoxious plants shall be re-  
moved from the streets and vacant  
lots has been passed and will become  
effective at once.

## CAPTAIN ARRESTED WELL KNOWN HERE

Captain Harry T. Williams, of one  
of the companies of the Third Oregon  
Regiment in the Second Battalion,  
who refused to march back five miles  
after "war" was declared over Sunday,  
and, as a result may be court-mar-  
shaled, is manager of the Gladstone  
Lumber Company and well-known in  
Oregon City. He was one of the di-  
vision commanders in the recent pa-  
rade of the Elks in Portland, and has  
been regarded as one of the most ca-  
pable men in the national guard in  
this state.

All during the military movements  
the Oregon troops had worked hard,  
and it was not until the "war" was over  
that the disagreement arose. The  
Oregonians were attached to the vic-  
torious Red Army, and they claim that  
during the maneuvers, they covered  
approximately 60 miles, while another  
report says it is only 30 miles, where-  
as the Blue Army moved about 20  
miles. Saturday morning the Oregon-  
ians were up at 3:30 leaving Oakville  
in trouble had to ford Black river three  
times in water up to the waist, carry-  
ing equipment. They had to climb  
mountains and go through heavy tim-  
ber and thick underbrush. Before the  
troops reached Gate the movement  
ceased, and the Oregonians were or-  
dered to retreat to Oakville. Sunday  
morning another early start was made  
the battalion again being headed for  
Gate, and they went beyond that  
place, driving the Blue Army before  
them. Then the Summer tactics closed.

Loaded with heavy equipment, the  
Second battalion expected to go into  
camp at Gate and entrain. General  
Mans, however, ordered them to walk  
back to Oakville to get the train in-  
stead of waiting for the train to meet  
the marchers at Gate. Two battalions  
started to return, as ordered, but the  
one which had struggled in the waters  
of Black River and through the un-  
derbrush in the timber, protested. It  
was a hot day.

## GUARDSMAN JAILED FOR NON SUPPORT

David LaCure, a member of Com-  
pany E, Portland, was arrested Monday  
afternoon upon his arrival with the  
troops from the maneuvers in Wash-  
ington, on a warrant sworn out by his  
wife, charging non-support. The ar-  
rest was made by a Portland police-  
man upon the request of Sheriff Mass.  
Sheriff Mass brought the man to this  
city and locked him up in the county  
jail. LaCure told a story that aroused  
some sympathy for him. He said that  
he had been ill for some time, and  
that even while in that condition he  
had worked earning \$1 a day. He  
has three children. He will be given  
a hearing before County Judge Beatie.

## COMPANY L BACK; MEN ARE ELATED

GUARDSMEN TELL OF HARDSHIPS  
AND HOW "ENEMY" WAS  
SURPRISED

### LONG MARCHES ARE EASILY MADE

Oregon City Boys Aid in Saving  
Red Army By Arriving  
With Plenty  
Ammunition

Company L, Oregon National Guard,  
after having done valiant work as a  
part of the victorious invading army  
in the maneuvers in Washington, re-  
turned to Oregon City Monday after-  
noon. The men were unburned and  
somewhat footsore, but every man de-  
clared that he could immediately partic-  
ipate in another campaign, and  
would be glad of an opportunity to do  
so. The Oregon City boys distinguish-  
ed themselves throughout the maneu-  
vers. Captain E. L. Blanchard and W.  
R. Logus complimented the members  
of the company highly, and declared  
it was remarkable that men who had  
been used to so little outdoor life,  
could stand the hardships of the cam-  
paign.

The company, composed of forty-  
two officers and men left this city Ju-  
ly 20, arriving at Montesano, Wash.,  
where it camped that night. The next  
day the company marched to Elma,  
a distance of eleven miles, and on the  
third day reached Oakville. The Ore-  
gon City men had previously become  
a part of the Red Army which was to  
try to take possession of Gray's Har-  
bor, which is not fortified, the object  
being to show that an enemy could  
land troops and by clever maneuvering  
probably capture Seattle and To-  
coma. The enemy was located be-  
tween Oakville and Gates, and troops  
were sent to intercept it. Colonel  
Kenyon was in command of the in-  
vading army which was composed of  
the Oregon National Guard, the Twen-  
ty-Fifth United States Infantry, two  
troops of cavalry and two batteries  
of artillery. Company L was in the  
detachment the first day of the battle  
that won a signal victory. Bridges  
having been blown up by the enemy,  
it was decided the best way to strike  
a telling blow would be to surprise  
the enemy in the rear. Natives said  
it would be impossible for the men to  
cross a high range of hills thickly  
wooded, but the battalion made the  
trip in one hour and ten minutes and  
surprised the Blue Army while it was  
at breakfast. The rout was complete.  
In order to make the hazardous trip  
the men started at 3 o'clock in the  
morning, and fell upon the foe just at  
day break.

The second day of fighting the Ore-  
gon City men crossed Black river  
three times, transporting their  
ammunition across in canoes. They  
reached a detachment that had  
gone ahead just in time to furnish am-  
munition.

## GLADSTONE VOTES TO HAVE HIGH SCHOOL

The residents of Gladstone, at a  
school meeting Monday evening, vot-  
ed to furnish high school educations  
in that city. The vote was 46 to 40.  
A room in the present school building  
will be devoted to the high school  
class for the present, and it is prob-  
able that another teacher will be em-  
ployed. The first proposition voted  
upon was whether the city should fur-  
nish high school educations, either  
in the city, or by sending the pupils  
to the Oregon City High School and  
the city paying the tuition, as has  
been done heretofore. This was car-  
ried by a vote of 64 to 58. The city  
has for sometime furnished the first  
two year courses in high school in-  
struction.

## AUTOISTS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE IN COLLISION

A collision of two automobiles, one  
of which was driven by Dr. C. H. Mel-  
sner and the other by a Mr. Stanger  
of Molalla, occurred on Main street  
near the court house Monday about 11  
o'clock. The machine owned by Stan-  
ger ran into a telephone pole, the  
front and other parts of the car be-  
ing badly damaged. Dr. Melsner's  
machine was slightly damaged. No  
one was hurt. There were three  
young men in the car with Mr. Stan-  
ger. The accident was witnessed by  
a large crowd.

## MAN FINED \$10 FOR ATTACKING CONDUCTOR

L. Glass, of Portland, was fined \$10  
by Recorder Stipp Monday for attack-  
ing J. C. Lewis, a conductor employ-  
ed by the Portland Railway, Light &  
Power Company. Glass boarded a car  
in Portland Saturday night and paid  
cents to ride to Lakewood. He re-  
fused to get off there, or pay addi-  
tional fare, and he was ejected. He,  
however, got back on the car pay-  
ing ten cents. Before the train reached  
this city the passenger, according to  
witnesses, declared that he would give  
Lewis a beating. When he got off  
the car at Sixth and Main streets in  
this city he invited the conductor to  
fight him. Lewis jumped from the car  
and knocked Glass down. Glass test-  
ified that the conductor struck him  
with an iron rod. Policemen Green  
and Frost separated the men, and  
placed them under arrest. Recorder  
Stipp dismissed the charge against  
Lewis.

## SOLDIER BOY JAILED ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Carl Walling, nineteen years of age,  
charged with contributing to the delin-  
quency of Otis Rambo, sixteen  
years of age, was arrested Monday  
afternoon by Policeman Frost. Walling  
is a member of Company L, and was  
arrested in this city from the maneu-  
vers in Washington. Policeman Frost  
arrested the girl last Thursday, and af-  
ter spending a night in jail, she made  
charges against Walling and Henry  
Walter. Walling was arrested the next  
day and was released on \$250 bail.  
Walling also was released soon after  
his arrest on bail for the same sum.  
The girl is in the custody of the court  
matron. County Judge Beatie will  
give the young men hearings at 3  
o'clock this afternoon.

A license to marry was issued Mon-  
day to Florence E. Howard and Harry  
E. Root, of Hood River.

## MRS. C. W. EVANS DIES SUDDENLY

PROMINENT OREGON CITY  
WOMAN VICTIM OF HEART  
DISEASE

### END COMES AT SISTER'S HOME

Husband And Children Are Sum-  
moned—Deceased Member  
Of Leading Organ-  
izations

Mrs. Charles W. Evans, one of the  
most prominent women of Oregon  
City, died suddenly of heart disease at  
the home of her sister, Mrs. E. J. Hall  
Portland, Monday afternoon. Her  
daughter Lucille was with her when  
she was stricken. A physician was  
summoned, but Mrs. Evans was dead  
before he arrived. Her husband is  
chief engineer of the Steamer N. R.  
Lang, and her son, LeClair, is em-  
ployed on another steamer operating  
between Portland and Oregon City.

Mrs. Evans and her daughter went  
to Portland Sunday morning to take  
care of the home of Mrs. Hall, 825  
Hancock Street, Mrs. Hall, and a party  
going on a vacation trip that day.  
Although she had suffered from heart  
trouble she was apparently as well  
usual when she left here, and did not  
complain until Monday. She was  
stricken at 5:30 o'clock and did not  
regain consciousness.

Past Worthy Matron of the Order  
of Eastern Star, a member of St.  
Paul's Guild, and a member of several  
social organizations no woman in  
Oregon City had a wider circle of  
friends than Mrs. Evans. She was a  
favorite of all her friends and ac-  
quaintances and had been active in  
charitable and other work since  
coming here eleven years ago with  
her family. Besides her husband and  
children, LeClair, twenty-four years  
of age; Lucile, eleven years of age;  
Mrs. Evans is survived by a son, Ir-  
win, fifteen years of age, her sister  
Mrs. Hall, and a brother, Arthur B.  
Huston, of Wichita, Kan. Mrs. Evans  
before her marriage was Miss Clara D.  
Huston.

Mrs. Hall notified her sister the  
latter part of last week that she in-  
tended taking a trip with a party to  
Chrystal Lake and asked her to take  
care of her home while she was away.  
Mrs. Evans consented and had look-  
ed forward to a fine visit among her  
friends in Portland.

Immediately after his wife's death  
Mr. Evans was notified that she had  
died. Mrs. Evans was hurriedly  
hurried to Portland. A message also  
was sent to Mrs. Hall and her hus-  
band and they will return to Portland  
at once.

The funeral arrangements will be  
made today, and it is probable that  
the services and interment will be in  
this city.

## 100 SEE YOUNG MAN PERISH IN LAKE

With more than 100 persons watch-  
ing him, but powerless to aid, Carl  
Staurens, eighteen years of age, of  
405 East Seventh street, Portland, was  
drowned in Sucker Lake, Oswego,  
Sunday. The young man, accompa-  
nied by R. Knutsen, went to the lake  
in the afternoon to swim and did not  
return in the water long before he was  
seized with cramps. He screamed for  
help, but before his companion reach-  
ed him he sank.

The body was recovered by J. Brady  
a grapple of Portland. Coroner Wil-  
son viewed the body. The young  
man's parents live in Norway. He has  
an uncle, Rasmus Anderson, who lives  
in Portland.

## STAR Theater

Last chance to hear the REX  
TRIO.

We also have new pictures.  
SCENES OF THE TURKISH  
WAR. (Showing the Ital-  
ians bombarding the Turkish  
positions from both land and  
sea. This picture was not pos-  
sible but was taken during the ac-  
tivities. This is without a doubt  
the most realistic picture of  
its kind ever shown in the city.

WHEN ROBES WITHER  
One of Vitagraph's Best  
Featuring Miss Maurice and  
Mr. Maurice Costello.

MURRAY, THE MASHER  
A good comedy by the Selig Co.