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Mangled to Death Beneath Southern Pacific Train. OCCURRED NEAR COMSTOCK

Was Beating His Way and Lost Hold on Brake Beams—Body Scattered Along Track.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 1.—Perry Kincaid, 15 years of age, was killed near Comstock this morning. Accompanied by his brother, he was being his way out on the railroad. He lost his position on the rods underneath a car of train No. 15, and in trying to regain it missed his hold and became tangled in the brake beams. He was more than a mile and his body was torn to pieces and scattered along the track. His brother, who failed to get on the train, followed after on foot. He found successively articles of clothing, then portions of the body and then the trunk. The brothers were from Auburn, Wash.

ELKS MEMORIAL DAY.

Salem Lodge Held Impressive Services—D. Sells Cohen Spoke.

SALEM, Dec. 1.—Salem Lodge, No. 338, E. P. O. Elks, held its annual memorial service in the Grand Opera House this afternoon. The attendance of members of the order and invited guests was so great as to fill the large Opera-House to overflowing.

The ritual work was very impressively conducted, and the usual good effect upon those who learn of the lodge chiefly upon such occasions as this. The Elks' orchestra and Elks quartet rendered a number of musical selections during the services. The principal speaker of the occasion was D. Sells Cohen, of Portland, who was introduced by Exalted Ruler W. D. McHenry, in a few appropriate remarks. Mr. Cohen's address was an inspiring one, and was listened to attentively throughout. He reviewed briefly the history of the Elks' order, and gave a brief sketch of its founders. He dwelt at length upon the characteristic precepts of the order, emphasizing particularly the virtue of looking upon the brightness of the grave can have no terror. The Elks' memorial services are held not alone in remembrance of the dead, but also to remind us of our duty to the living, to encourage us in the service of God and our fellow-men, to teach loyalty to country and to extend liberality of thought, which strengthens the ties of brotherhood.

The 21 Sunday schools of this city have planned to take a religious census of Salem and its suburbs next Wednesday. The territory has been divided into eight districts and 40 subdistricts, with a census taker for each. The census will be taken in one day. The information secured will be used by all the Sunday schools in extending their work. A meeting will be held Monday evening at the First Presbyterian Church, at which time full details for taking the census will be arranged.

OREGON CITY ELECTION CONTEST.

Road Project Is the Nucleus of the Campaign.

OREGON CITY, Dec. 2.—Both candidates for Mayor were interviewed by newspapermen and independent citizens alike today with reference to their position toward the proposed road into the south end of the city. The fight is also on between C. G. Huntley and E. E. Charman, Councilmen, and three-year candidates for Ward No. 2. They are progressive druggists, deeply interested in the affairs of the city, hold large property interests, and are well known and supported by an equal number of the representative business men of the city. Mr. Charman's residence property is in Ward No. 1. He is a resident of the city with the Electric Hotel property, is located in Ward No. 1. Therefore he is compelled to divide his attention between the two wards, while Mr. Huntley has all his business interests in the city. Ward No. 2. Mr. Charman, however, is also opposed on the ground that he is personally interested in the construction of a proposed county road into the south end of the city near his place of business. His opponents also assert that Mr. Dimick has promised him, contingent upon election, the chairmanship of roads and streets committee in the next year. Mr. Dimick denies emphatically that any such agreement was made and states that he is perfectly neutral upon the road project and that he will leave it solely with the Council to settle upon themselves. Mr. Harding, however, and Mr. Huntley, have taken decided stand against the road project, stating that the road would be a detriment to the city and increase in population and that people coming to the West will not seek a debt-burdened city as a place to make their homes and engage in enterprises. They maintain that the road will warrant adding thousands of dollars to the already large debt of the city.

ELECTION CONTEST DISMISSED.

Appeal From Decision of Election Judges Unsuccessful.

COLEFAK, Wash., Dec. 1.—In the Superior Court, yesterday, the election contest case instituted by J. J. Jones, a student at the Agricultural College, against the count of the vote in Pullman county precinct, as made by the judges of election, was dismissed on motion of Thomas Neill, counsel for plaintiff. Mr. Neill contended that the Superior Court was without jurisdiction in the matter of this contest for the reason that the question raised was not an alleged irregularity in the count of votes, or of legislative candidates only, and as the state constitution makes the Legislature the sole judge of its own membership, this contest designed to change the present expressed result of the election for one member of the lower house from the Seventh Legislative district, the contest must be instituted before the Legislature. It is reported that Mr. Jones has expressed his determination to carry the contest before the Legislature, but it is difficult to understand how he expects to do this without the aid of the Legislature. He is reported to be opposed to such action.

MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

News of Death of Woman Who Mysteriously Disappeared.

HUNTINGTON, Or., Dec. 2.—Information has been received in Huntington which clears up the mystery surrounding the disappearance in New York several months ago of Mrs. Kate Donahay, of Vale. Her son, H. B. Donahay, of this place, received a letter Friday from the superintendent of the Bellevue Hospital in New York, in which he states that Mrs. Donahay died in that hospital of pneumonia May 1st last. Nothing had been heard of Mrs. Donahay since last Spring, when she left Vale for a trip to the West Indies, and it was feared she had met with foul play.

The Money Counting in Front of Colefak, Wash., Dec. 1.—The force of clerks in the Whitman County Treas-

RICH STRIKE IN ALASKA

LARGE VEIN OF FINE ORE DISCOVERED IN ATLAN DISTRICT.

Reputed to Be Best Ever Uncovered in That Region—Copper Mines Double Working Force.

TACOMA, Dec. 1.—Excellent mining reports have come from Alaska. The rich quartz ledge ever found in the Atlan district has been uncovered on the Glen-Cramer group, on Taku. David von Cramer has reached Skagway with samples of the ore, in which free gold is plentiful. He says the ledge is 15 feet wide, and contains 10 per cent copper, and some rich ore. Two and one-half ounces from this streak, pounded in a mortar, yielded nearly \$150 in gold. The owners declare that half a ton of picked ore will yield over \$1000.

Charles A. Griston, of White Horse, brings news that the number of men at work on the copper mines there has doubled since the completion of the White Pass Railroad to White Horse. The ore of the district is very rich, and there seems to be no end to it. The belt so far discovered is about 14 miles long by two miles wide, and equally rich ore is found in all parts of the belt. The assays run as high as 72 per cent copper, 130 in gold and 14 in silver ounces in silver. Several mines, including the Copper King and W. B. East, are on this White Horse, sending it to sleighs to the railroad.

The official report of the Treadwell mine, at Juneau, for the year ending here, shows that during the year 57,500 tons of ore were milled, amounting to the amount of \$1,153,360, or an average of the ore crushed of \$20.6 a ton. The year's working profit was \$73,500, and four days' work, amounting to \$300,000, or 5 per cent upon the capital stock. The average expense was a trifle over 55 cents a ton, leaving a net working profit of \$1.20 a ton. The ore now in sight for travel is 1,000,000 tons.

A letter from Cook Inlet says that the richest placer known in the district was found last month. Jack Sutton took from his Canyon Creek claim giving \$40 per pan, and another placer near Lyons Creek, cut through a bar averaging \$30 per day per man. In two weeks they took out about \$500 worth of gold. Two weeks' work on the placer in the district were suspended for the winter.

A rich strike has been made on the Monte Carlo, index district, Washington. At a depth of 30 feet, the tunnel encountered a vein of copper yielding values of nearly \$100 per ton in gold and silver.

SHIP GERTRUD PUTS BACK.

Is Outside in Leaking Condition—Cannot Get Pilot.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 2.—The German ship Gertrud, which sailed from here last Tuesday with a cargo of grain for Europe, is now outside somewhere in a leaking condition. On Friday morning she was alongside the pilot schooner, in very thick weather, and asked for a pilot, but at the time there were none on board. She had just been placed in an incoming vessel. The captain ordered the schooner to be kept in the pilot schooner that his vessel was leaking badly, and requested that at the first opportunity a pilot be sent to take her to the shore. The schooner went after him. The ship then stood away in the fog, and has not been seen since. On the same day the German bark Alsterfer, which arrived yesterday, was met by the Gertrud, but the latter did not signal of distress flying. This is all the information obtainable at the pier, and she has not been seen since. It is believed that the Gertrud is an old English vessel, having been built in 1874, and sold to the Germans. Although rated for 1,000 tons, she is now considered a good risk. When she left on Tuesday the bar was smooth, and the steamship Universe went out almost alongside of her.

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MORE TIDELAND PURCHASES.

Northern Pacific Now Controls Western Part of Tacoma Harbor.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—A special to the Times from Tacoma says: The Northern Pacific Railway yesterday purchased 52 acres more of land in the center of Tacoma, and the company is to use the land for a tidal land to deep water. This purchase, together with the application made to lease from the state a large portion of the harbor rim reserved by the state, gives the Northern Pacific control of the entire western part of Tacoma harbor alongside of the city itself. Its tidal land possessions along deep water and at the head of the bay now exceeds 500 acres. Engineers of the road here and at Puget are drafting plans to cover this acreage with additional warehouses, coal bunkers and terminal facilities costing \$1,000,000, as recently announced by President Steffen. The plans include the formation of facilities by the terminal company to handle the Oriental shipping that is concentrating here, and to permit other roads to use their facilities.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

A. L. Friend, of Astoria.

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Victim of Smallop.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 2.—J. G. Downie, of this city, received a telegram yesterday from Seattle, stating that he had been killed by a smallop. The news is a great blow to the family, who did not know until yesterday that the young man was ill. He died about 20 years of age and an only son.

Washington Notes.

The Tacoma Sun has been sold to H. E. Collier and H. Moore.

Charles and Isaac Johnson, who live nine miles from Prescott, have been arrested on charge of cattle stealing.

Sixty-five Japanese laborers arrived at Mount Vernon Wednesday, and it is reported that more will come within a few days. They are to be employed by a contractor in cutting railroad ties.

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