

WATERS RECEDING; COUNTING LOSSES

Damage at Augusta May Approximate Million Dollars.

DOZEN LIVES ARE LOST

Railroad and Telephone Business Completely Demoralized - No Power Plants in Operation. Number Persons Missing.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Aug. 27.—Flood waters at Augusta began receding this afternoon. They reached the height of 69 feet, probably as high as the flood of 1888.

Rain has ceased in the upper valley and there is no danger of further losses. The loss approximates \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 and consists of damage to stocks of goods and private property, destruction of the wagon and railroad bridges across the Savannah River and breaks in the canal banks. There are dependent on the canal for power eight cotton mills.

While the flood was at its height five fires broke out. The McDaniel building, material establishment, North Augusta, burned. A train of 49 cars belonging to the Southern Railway burned in Hamburg. Nixon's lime, cement and hardware house and a huge quantity of lumber belonging to the Georgia Railway, but not the Georgia Railway yards, were burned. The Augusta Railway & Electric Company cannot run their cars for three days.

No power plants are in operation; the telephone lines are not doing business; the railroads are accepting no passengers. The water service is crippled, but intact. The gas company is impaired, but not shut down. There have been 10 to 15 drownings, mostly negro laborers.

From the northwestern section of the city the waters will not recede for two or three days. Tonight is a night of terror. Missing men and families are being reported.

The Augusta Chronicle got out its Thursday edition in abbreviated form at 8 P. M. The Augusta Herald, an afternoon paper, could not publish Wednesday or Thursday.

RIVERS CONTINUE TO RISE

Flood Conditions in Carolinas Become More Serious.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 27.—The rivers through South Carolina continued to rise today as a result of Wednesday's rains. In the upper part of the state and the added loss in private and public property will run up into millions. The estimated loss in the neighborhood of Columbia is \$2,000,000.

The railroads are almost completely tied up. The Southern Charlotte line being the only road north of Columbia in operation. Notice has been served by practically every road in the state that perishable freight will not be accepted for shipment to or from the north of Columbia.

Three additional lives were lost today. Two negroes being drowned at Saluda, and one at Laurens.

THRESHING RIG DESTROYED

Fire at Cliffs in Washington Cause of Serious Damage.

CLIFFS, Wash., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The Goodhue Hills Threshing Company lost its outfit by fire yesterday while threshing wheat on the Ernest Gerling ranch. A fire broke out from a separator was run by a steam engine, and it is thought that a spark from the smokesack blew into the straw pile. The steamer, derrick table, the threshing machine and a separator were destroyed.

QUARRY CLOSED BY CITY

Blasting at Eugene Becomes Dangerous and Mayor Takes Action.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The blasting at the stone quarry on the west end of Skinner's cuts has been stopped by an order of Mayor Matlock, and as a consequence 60 workmen employed by the Warren Construction Company are temporarily out of work.

THINKS HUNTER IS DEER

Sixteen-Year-Old Lad Probably Fatally Wounded by Companion.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Charles Christie, a lad of 16 years, was shot and probably fatally wounded by a companion of about the same age while out hunting yesterday near Wonder. The boys had separated and Christie had stooped to examine some deer tracks, and upon rising his companion shot him, thinking he was a deer. The ball entered the abdominal region and passed through the intestinal tract.

BLACKMAILER IS CAUGHT

Threatens to Use Dynamite if Demand Is Refused—Lands in Jail.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—A. C. Main, a grocer, received through the mail a Black Hand letter threatening that unless he deposited \$200 in a certain spot near his store Tuesday night, his establishment would be blown up. He told the police, and last night a man who came to the scene of the repository was arrested. He gave the name of John Miller.

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RACES FEATURE OF FAIR

RUNNING EVENTS DELIGHT CROWDS AT MARSHFIELD.

Mack M. Sets New Record for Track—Fair Promises to Be Financial Success.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Rain this morning was discouraging for the manager of the Southern Oregon District Fair, but by the time for the races to begin the weather cleared and the afternoon was an ideal one. The attendance was large and so far the fair promises to be a financial success. "Tomorrow is expected to be the big day, and special features have been arranged for the amusement of the people. Marshfield is crowded with visitors. All available lodging places are in use and restaurants and hotels are kept busy night and day. There were four events on the race program this afternoon. The harness races were not close, but Mack N., owned by F. P. Norton, paced a mile in 2:28, which was the fastest mile ever made in harness on the Marshfield half-mile track. The mile running race pleased the crowd and furnished good sport. It was won by King Kolbe, owned by W. W. Cardwell, of Roseburg, and a horse which has figured conspicuously in races this year in Southern Oregon. Several thousand dollars in hands the race. Summary of the races follows:

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WILL STOP FISHING

Oregon Warden to Enforce New Law in Fall.

SO INSTRUCTS DEPUTIES

Washington Authorities, However, Will Permit Holders of State Licenses to Operate on Columbia.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The first conflict over the Fall fishing season will begin after the Washington state law permits fishing and the Oregon new law says that it is prohibited during the same period.

Fish Warden McAllister has notified his deputies to enforce the law strictly and as the decisions of the Supreme Court stand each state has jurisdiction over the river from bank to bank. His deputies will be compelled to stop all fishing on the river. Washington Will Permit Fishing.

On the other hand, the Attorney-General of Washington has notified the holders of licenses from that state that they will be legally entitled to fish and if the Oregon officials interfere with them that he will give them all protection possible. This will result in the different laws being tested by a Federal court and the indications are that eventually the Federal Government will take absolute charge of the fishing industries on the Columbia.

This is welcome news to everyone connected with the industry, as then it may be possible to know what the general law is and to receive protection, regardless of their personal influence. Will Make Feature of Pack.

Since the quality of steelheads was found this year to be almost equal to the early chinooks, effort has been made by the leading cannermen of the Columbia to place this pack on the market next year as a distinctive feature of the industry. That it will meet with approval is unquestioned by the American and European buyers, in comparison with the late run of chinooks it is far superior. GIRL CLIMBS MOUNT HOOD

Walks From Hood River to Cloud Cap Inn and Then Ascends Peak.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Having heard of the feat of Miss Gertrude Bennett, the Englishwoman who recently walked from Hood River to Cloud Cap Inn and return, Miss Julia Stearns, an American girl, whose home is in Astoria, has just duplicated Miss Bennett's performance. Miss Stearns, however, was more fortunate than Miss Bennett, as she succeeded in reaching the summit of Mount Hood, the Washington girl made the journey by easy stages.

Miss Stearns made the ascent of Mount Hood Monday with a party of seven, who had been waiting several days for a favorable opportunity to make the climb. In climbing the mountain she became very fatigued, and in descending lost her nerve where a long slide is made over the snow and in order to make the descent quickly. Miss Stearns left the Inn Tuesday and arrived at Hood River Wednesday afternoon. She has climbed Mount Hood and several other mountain peaks this summer and says she expects to make another ascent before the fall rains come. From here she will go to California.

PAY HONOR TO FARRAGUT

Memorial Tablet to Naval Hero Unveiled at Portsmouth.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 27.—Three thousand shipmates, relatives, friends and admirers of Admiral David Glasgow Farragut paid a tribute yesterday to the memory of that brave warrior on the sea in the dedication of a memorial tablet in the Portsmouth Navy-Yard. The commandant's house at the navy-yard, where the famous fighter died, was the scene of the exercises, and Admiral George Dewey, who served with Farragut, lifted the covering from the tablet.

The memorial tablet bears the following inscription: "DIED IN THIS HOUSE, AUGUST 14, 1857. DAVID GLASGOW FARRAGUT, ADMIRAL IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY. FAITHFUL AND FEARLESS." On the opposite corners of the tablet are displayed the United States seal and the regulation anchor of the United States Navy. The naval band played a hymn and salutes were fired by the navy-yard battery.

MAMMOTH LOG RAFT READY

Last One Launched This Season to Be Towed South.

CLATSkanie, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The last of the five mammoth sea-going log rafts constructed this season by the Benson Logging Company at this place was launched from the barge today and will leave tomorrow on the hawsers of the steamers Sarah Dixon and M. F. Henderson for Astoria, where it will be taken in tow by the tug Dauntless to San Diego, Cal. Work will be continued all winter at the camp setting out logs for the construction of next season's rafts. Three of the rafts have already reached their destination at San Diego this season, and the fourth, which left here about two weeks ago, is reported to have passed San Francisco safely on its journey.

POLE CRUSHES OUT LIFE

Rolls Off Wagon and Kills Employee of Telephone Company.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Eli Parry, employed by the Home Telephone Company, was killed today by a pole which fell on him. Parry, assisted by several other men, was engaged in unloading poles from a wagon, and reached down to block the wheels with stumps when he dislodged one of the poles rolled off the wagon, striking him on the back of the head and crushing him to the ground. He was immediately taken to the Cottage Hospital, but died a few minutes after reaching there. Parry was 30 years of age, and leaves a widow and two children, who reside at West Branch, Iowa. His widow was communicated with and the body will be sent there for burial.

A Berlin paper says that New York is the third German city in the world in point of population. "With its 650,000 Germans," it says, "it is exceeded in size only by Berlin, which has about 2,000,000, and by Hamburg, which has 750,000."

COOKING EXHIBIT

of the "NEW PROCESS" GAS RANGE

ENDS TOMORROW



The two remaining days of this instructive demonstration—today and tomorrow—will be no less opportune for those who have not witnessed the "New Process" in actual operation, than during previous exhibit days. Nothing is so convincing to the woman-who-cooks and who appreciates the many advantages and the convenience of cooking by gas, as to behold the splendid results obtained in cooking and baking with this modern range. Those who have attended during the exhibit and partaken of the HOT BISCUITS and COFFEE which are being served free to all visitors, are enthusiastic in their recommendation of the efficiency of the "New Process." Exhibit in the Basement Department.

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Informal Social Affair

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