

WIND TOO STRONG FOR BIG AEROPLANE

Wrights Postpone Flight and Disappoint Senators and Camera Men.

WILL NOT RISK NEW AIRSHIP

Impatient Crowd Is Lectured by Wilbur Wright, but Senators Are Given Close View—Moving Pictures Not Allowed.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Because of a strong wind, the Wright brothers failed to make their expected aeroplanes flight at Fort Meyer today. The Senate had set aside the tariff bill to allow its members to witness a flight of the aeroplanes. The Senators, together with several thousand others, assembled in the hot sun on the Fort Meyer drill grounds but the Wrights decided that the wind was too strong and too uncertain for a flight with a new and untried machine.

Orville Wright early today notified General James Allen, the chief signal officer, that he intended to make an unofficial flight after 2 o'clock this evening. The field was cleared by a squad of cavalry and everything was made ready for a flight. A brisk wind was blowing from the west at 5 o'clock and heavy storm clouds appeared, accompanied by a scattering of rain. Orville Wright said that he did not mind the rain, but that the wind was the objectionable feature. The wind, died out and everything appeared to be ready for the trial when a fresh wind began blowing from the south.

The officers of the Signal Corps, the balloon detachment and the cavalry guard were the only persons permitted on the field with the exception of a corps of photographers, who had obtained the consent of the Wright Brothers to snap the machine as it went down to the starting track. Wilbur Wright, in looking for the operator of a moving picture machine, the use of which he desired to prevent, neared the impatient crowd. He told them he usually kept his machine away from the crowds in France were fearful but a number of Senators requested him to let them examine the machine at closer range.

To avoid being questioned, the Wrights retired to the aeroplanes shed until the privileged few had again been ordered off the field. The wind having shown signs of abating at 6:30 P. M., the trial was abandoned.

Hearing Aeroplane Not Ready.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—A. M. Hering, the New York aeroplanist, today sent word to General James Allen, chief signal officer, that he would be unable to deliver his machine to the Government by July 1, the time specified.

TALKS TO LOCAL BANKERS

George E. Allen, of New York, Advocate Education in Methods.

George E. Allen, of New York, educational director of the American Institute of Banking, delivered an address last night before the members of the Portland club in the Commercial Club convention hall. Mr. Allen dwelt upon the importance of banking not only in banking and general commercial methods, but in economic and civic matters as well. He said there is a tendency among bankers and business men to deny education as it is provided by the schools of the country, that the system is defective. He believed, on the contrary, that educators know their business as well as the bankers know theirs. It was necessary, he said, to learn the bookkeeping and money handling of a bank before the principles of banking could be fully understood. "There is no difference between banks," said Mr. Allen, "only a subdivision of departments. The general principles of banking can be taught." Speaking of Portland, Mr. Allen said: "I think this is going to be a great city—perhaps not in the way you think. There is room enough here for the biggest city in the West, if the Columbia River were dammed up and Alaska never heard of. It is quality, not the number of people, that make a city. You have right around you those elements that go to make a great city. Agriculture is changing, the lumber business is changing. What is knowledge today is ignorance tomorrow. A bank clerk in a growing city like this should know something about the enterprises that make the city and should inform himself on all matters which are affected by the city government."

SIMON NAMES SECRETARY

Appointment of Miss Agnes Parsons Announced by Mayor-elect.

Mayor-elect Joseph Simon yesterday announced the appointment of Miss Agnes Parsons for the position of private secretary and stenographer. She has been with the law firm of which Senator Simon is a member, and is an expert in her line. She will succeed Miss Louise McDonald, who has held this very responsible position during Mayor Lane's term with great credit.

Whether or not the members of the Board of Health will remain and serve another term is a question. Ex-Senator Simon met them yesterday at 3 o'clock and personally requested each one to continue in their official capacities, but, with the exception of Dr. R. C. Yennery, neither made a direct promise. Dr. A. J. Giesy and George F. Wilson expressed a great desire to be free of the duties falling to the office, but said they would give the matter further consideration. It is believed they will serve for a time at least. It is very probable Dr. Yennery will continue permanently.

It seems now that there will be no meeting of the Board of Health until Thursday morning, July 1, although it had been planned to have a special meeting of the Board at an earlier date. Mayor Lane will not, therefore, preside again at a Board of Health meeting during his term.

EXECUTORS BRING SUIT

Alleged Partners Asked to Share Indebtedness of Late Pat Powers.

That John Manning, Alex. Sweet, Sam. Wolf, C. B. Williams, R. A. Wade and George L. Hutchins were the silent partners of Patrick Powers in conducting the Oxford Saloon, at Sixth and Oak streets, and that they should therefore be called upon to pay Powers' indebtedness, mostly for liquors and cigars, amounting to about \$4000, is the allegation of a complaint filed in the Circuit Court yesterday against these parties by Nannie and William Powers, executors of the Powers' will. It is alleged that Powers went into the saloon business with the defendants in May, 1906, each putting up \$500, and agreeing to pay Powers \$100 a month as manager.

Powers died April 16, 1908, and it has been found that he was without funds sufficient to liquidate the saloon debt. The executors ask the court to declare that a partnership existed, require the defendants to produce the books, and that they share the debt equally.

"There was absolutely no partnership between me and the late Patrick Powers, or between either of the other men named as defendants and the above suit with the deceased," said Mr. Manning last night. "When Mr. Powers first started in the saloon business we loaned him about \$500 apiece, but he died before repaying us. At another time we went surety for \$1000 worth of goods purchased by Powers and were required to pay it. This is secured by a mortgage. At no time did any one of the six men named as defendants in the suit filed yesterday have any other interest in the business than that of creditors."

SALMON SOON EXTINGUISHED

FISHERMAN DEPLORES DESTRUCTION OF SPAWN.

D. H. Taffe Says Seines Will Deplete Fish in Five or Ten Years.

Within five years, or ten at most, the salmon fishing industry of the Columbia River will be a thing of the past, for the simple reason that the salmon will be practically exterminated, just as sturgeon are today, unless seining on the spawning bars along the river is immediately prohibited, according to D. H. Taffe, a veteran fisherman and gunnerman of Celilo, who was at the Imperial Hotel yesterday.

Twenty-nine years ago, when Taffe started to fish at the Lower Cascades, salmon were so plentiful that catching them was child's play. But for 10 years, in spite of the work of the Government hatcheries and their artificial propagation, with each succeeding season the schools of salmon have dwindled to proportions even smaller.

"The fishwheels, fish traps and gill-nets have not worked the damage, said Taffe yesterday, 'though this is the popular belief. The fish caught in this way are a mere drop in the bucket. It is the work of the seiners on the spawning bars that will surely bring about the extermination of the fish in five years—ten would be too liberal an estimate, unless it is stopped at once.'"

"This is the fact that most of the fish stop at these sand bars to leave their spawn. From the mouth of the Willamette River, practically every sand spit and bar up the Columbia is a spawning ground. The seiners, with their big nets sweep these grounds from end to end, not only catching all the fish that have stopped there to lay their eggs, but destroying the spawn as well.

The finest spawning bar along the river is the sandy stretch between the Jallies and Celilo. But in the low water season, just when the fish are spawning, this bar on both sides and across the river, is swept absolutely clean by the seiners. "At this place alone I have seen tons of salmon eggs that had been dragged in by the seines carried away and destroyed in one day."

"Against such enormous waste as this the output of the Government hatcheries amounts to nothing. To those who have studied the salmon situation, and I have been studying it for 30 years, the end is in sight unless this depletion of the spawning grounds is prevented. In the last five years the leasing of the pack has been apparent each season."

On the other hand, with proper regulation of the seining grounds, within four years I am positive that the pack would show a marked increase and in time would reach its former proportions."

Taffe hopes to interest Governor Benning and the members of the Fish Commission in his plan to prevent fishing on the seining grounds. The greatest opposition, he says, would come from the big cannerymen.

BIRD PROTECTION, OBJECT

Oregon Audubon Society Will Form Corporation.

Articles of incorporation of the Oregon Audubon Society have been prepared and will be filed at once, with the Secretary of State's office, as well as with the County Clerk. The officers selected for the first annual period are: William L. Finley, president; Horatio H. Parker, vice-president; Emma J. Welty, corresponding secretary; Elizabeth Watson, recording secretary, and Herman T. Rohlfman, treasurer. The objects named in the articles are: To use any and all lawful means for the protection of the wild birds and animals of the State of Oregon and elsewhere, and by literature, lectures, and any and all other available methods to disseminate knowledge and appreciation of the economic and aesthetic value of wild birds and animals. To acquire, own, hold, use, sell and otherwise dispose of, and convey, real and personal property; to accept and receive gifts, devises and legacies; and to borrow money and execute therefor its promissory notes, mortgages and other securities, which may be necessary, advisable or convenient for the purpose of more effectually accomplishing the purposes aforesaid, or any of them.

The estimated value of the property and money possessed by the society at this time is \$250, and the source of its revenue or income will be from dues, subscriptions, donations, devises and legacies from its members and others, and any income which may be derived from the investment or use of any money or property so acquired.

SHORTAGE IS FOUND

Expert Reports \$2696.56 Owning by ex-Sheriff Storey.

LATTER IS UNCONCERNED

Says if Anything Existing He Cannot Explain He Is Willing to Settle. Some of Discrepancies, Says Ferguson, Can Be Traced.

Shortages in the accounts of ex-Sheriff W. A. Storey amounting to \$2696.56 are alleged to exist by J. W. Ferguson, expert accountant, in his report to the County Court, submitted yesterday. In specifying the various amounts unaccounted for, Mr. Ferguson says \$1322.50 worth of tax sale certificates have been redeemed, and the money apparently never turned over to those to whom it belongs. Besides this there is \$1040.40 in fees remitted to the Sheriff from outside counties which has never been turned over to the County Treasurer, \$300.16 due the county on account of an under-remittance of state tax, \$25.40 entered on the docket, but not located in the fee register, and a difference of \$76.30 between the amount of taxes collected and the amount credited. During the two years covered by the report, fees were collected amounting to \$5156, and the report shows an error of 50 cents, which is now due the county. Mr. Ferguson says some of the discrepancies referred to in his report may later be explained.

Registered Fees Turned Over.

"All fees credited on the fee register have been turned over to the County Treasurer promptly," says Mr. Ferguson. "I find receipts have not been issued for fee received for issuing Sheriff's deeds for tax-sale certificates surrendered, or for sales on execution. A record of Sheriff's deeds issued is kept and look it over to night," he added, "but I don't think there will be any question between the County Commissioners and myself in regard to any of the items in it, as anything that I cannot explain I am ready to settle for. You may say for me that there is nothing I have in conceal or to be ashamed of. Anything and everything I have done is open to everybody's inspection. I am not going to leave town, but will be here permanently, and am ready to make good for any mistakes I may have made."

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receipts should have been issued for these fees on the regular form furnished by the Auditor. These cases should also show on the Sheriff's docket with notations to show from what county they were received. This would greatly assist the Auditor in checking up. Fees received from this source seem to be considered by some Sheriffs as legitimate perquisites of the office. I do not find that such fees have been accounted for by his predecessors, and, while it may be a precedent, it does not make it right, and my contention is they should be accounted for.

Showing Made Is Good.

"I have examined the rolls for taxes collected by W. A. Storey covering the period from July 7, 1902, to July 5, 1904, and have prepared detailed statements for 1901, 1902 and 1903 rolls, showing the volume of business transacted in this department. These figures are interesting. The showing made is a good one and speaks well for the system used in the collection and distribution of taxes and prompt remittances to the County Treasurer. I doubt very much if the present system can be improved upon. I also question if there is another county that can show a clearer tax roll; I mean by this a smaller delinquent list. There should be a uniform system of this kind in all the counties of the state. The total tax for the three years, 1901, 1902 and 1903, while Sheriff Storey was in office, was \$3,822,854.45.

"The errors and omissions I have shown in this report on this department," continues Mr. Ferguson, "I attribute entirely to the clerical errors which naturally follow where so many clerks are employed and where the work has to be done in so short a time. Judging from never before the present law is to be commended."

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hatcheries of Washington, has been in the city for the past two days, making arrangements for construction of a fish hatchery in this county. The recent Legislature made an appropriation of \$3000 for the building and maintenance of the fish hatchery, which will be located on Basket Creek, about ten miles this side of Yacolt, on the Northern Pacific branch. A crew in charge of George Hoggart, of Kalama, will begin at once the erection of the building. The capacity of the hatchery will be from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 spawn.

AUTO AND TRAIN COLLIDE

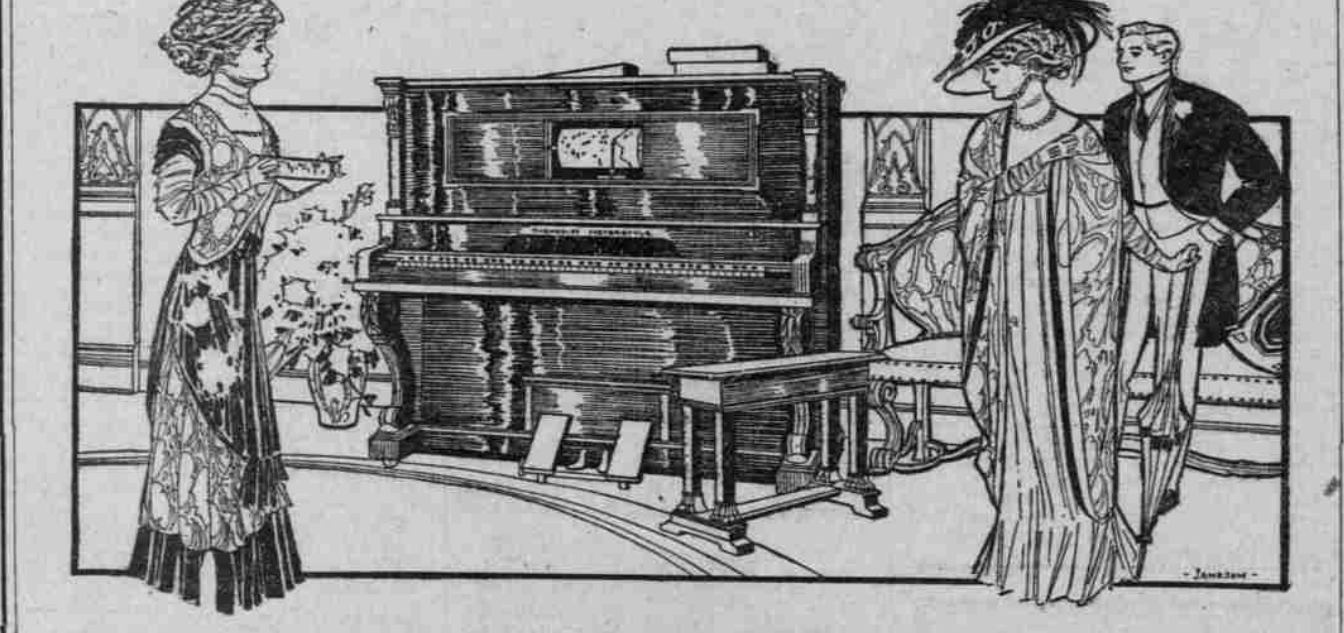
One Woman Killed and Five Persons Hurt in Spokane.

SPOKANE, June 28.—One dead and five seriously injured in the record of an automobile accident in this city tonight, when the machine, going at the rate of 30 miles an hour, crashed into an O. R. & N. train from Tula, Wash., which also was running at a high rate of speed while entering the city.

The dead woman is Mrs. D. E. Maguard, of this city, whose husband, driving the car, was seriously injured. The injured are: Miss Mary Sterling, legs badly bruised; L. Corbille, bruised about head; J. D. Williams, bruised about abdomen and legs, and A. H. Ahlmen, bruised about shoulders.

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