

TRACKGUARD DIES IN SAVING TRAIN

John Lewis Is Ground to Death by Engine as He Waves Warning.

TOP MADE JUST IN TIME

Passenger No. 4, Bound for Walla Walla, Bearing Several Hundred People, Escapes Landslide. Hero Seen Too Late.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—To save passenger train No. 4, bound for Walla Walla, from crashing into a landslide which had occurred some time Saturday night, John Lewis, a trackwalker at Starbuck, went to his death early this morning.

The engineer saw Lewis running towards the engine but could not stop his train in time. Lewis evidently thought he had not caught the engine's eye, grabbed the middle of the track until he did not have time to jump. The train was brought to a standstill a few feet from the pile of rock and the lives of several hundred had probably been saved.

The mangled remains of Lewis were found up the track 100 yards. He was dead when aid reached him.

The accident occurred just over the line in Walla Walla County. Coroner George MacMartin will make an investigation tomorrow morning.

The telephone exchange at Starbuck was closed today and it was impossible to learn much about Lewis, though it is thought he was a married man with a family.

While walking his beat early Sunday morning Lewis discovered the landslide which was caused by recent heavy rains. He did not have time to clear the track and knowing the train was due any minute, grabbed his lantern and started back towards the oncoming train.

The engineer first sighted Lewis while both were rounding a curve. The air brakes were thrown on, but it was too late. The engineer says he thinks Lewis never once thought of himself. It was only a few minutes until the track was clear and the train continued on its journey.

CLOCK STRIKES 38 TIMES

Weird Birthday Tale Told by Resident of Brooklyn Suburb.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Mrs. John J. Buttel, of 156 Harman street, wife of a well-known real estate dealer of East New York, passed her 38th birthday recently and invited several relatives to spend the evening with her and her daughter, Lucy, at their home. Mr. Buttel had been detained at his office, but informed his wife that he probably would reach home by the middle of the evening.

After an hour in the library, Mrs. Buttel, her daughter and the visitors, went to the dining-room for luncheon.

"Mr. Buttel will be here soon," said Mrs. Buttel. "I wonder what time it is going to be."

"At 11 in answer a large eight-day clock that stood in a shadow on a mantel in the room began to strike nine. Mrs. Buttel exclaimed aloud:

"Eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve—why, it surely can't be so late," she exclaimed. All arose and faced the clock, which was striking nine.

"Thirty-five," Mrs. Buttel counted aloud, "thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight," and there the clock stopped striking.

"Mrs. Buttel turned pale. 'And I am 38 years old today,' she said.

Mr. Buttel arrived a few minutes later and found his wife that he probably would reach home by the middle of the evening.

DAHLMAN AND BRYAN PART

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"I am greatly disappointed," said Mr. Dahlman tonight, "in the position Mr. Bryan has taken. However, it will not change my plans relative to running for Governor. It puts Governor Shallenberger and myself in the same bed. For years I have fought side by side with Bryan and have been one of his greatest admirers. Now we must separate and become political enemies, for I am strenuously opposed to county option, being a firm believer in personal liberty.

"The declaration of Bryan means a bitter fight in the Democratic state convention."

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Prominent speakers from points in the Northwest will be present.

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POLICY OF PINCHOT LOSS STATE DEAR

Washington's Conservation Plan Results in Decrease of State Tax.

TIMBER LAND IN RESERVE

Property State Would Sell Cannot Be Touched Because of Forestry Restrictions—Permanent Fund Yields Maintaining Interest.

BY J. H. BROWN. OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—With about one-eighth of its granted lands sold, the State of Washington has today in permanent funds, derived from such sales, nearly \$7,000,000. This fund, invested in interest-bearing securities, is annually bringing in more than \$250,000 to meet the expenses of state government.

If the original intentions may be carried out, if Federal conservation theorists do not prevent, Washington's granted lands will, when disposed of, judging from recent sales, produce an aggregate permanent fund of not less than \$90,000,000 upon which the state will for all time derive a revenue of \$2,500,000 a year.

With the miscellaneous revenue this will be more than sufficient to meet all state needs, so that not one penny of state tax will need be levied.

State's Timber Sells High. State lands have been actually conservatively handled, in marked contrast to Federal conservation ideas.

Incidentally it might be mentioned, in view of the Cunningham, Wilson and other Federal coal land scandals, that the state's timber has been sold at a price that for many months not an acre of state lands bearing coal was open either to the public or to the state.

The State of Washington likewise reserves from all its deeds all minerals and oils and the right to mine and extract the same.

Practical conservation, Washington and its state land administration has the Federal Interior Department distanced.

Money Goes Into Fund. Washington's state lands cannot be sold for less than \$10 an acre and then only after published notice and at public auction.

This is a constitutional provision. The constitution also provides that the money derived from the sale of state lands shall be placed in a permanent fund, which may never be spent, but which may be invested in certain bonds and securities and the interest derived therefrom may be used for various current expenditures.

State Treasurer Lewis reports that from state lands sold through the department since the last session, \$1,596,031 receipts from the several funds were invested in bonds.

In addition to the bonds listed above, there are several hundred thousand dollars cash now on hand belonging to the funds awaiting investment.

Just where the Pinchot conservation policy fits in this: Much of the best land belonging to the state grants is now tied up in forest reserves.

The forest reserves in the state are now being put in its fund. Uncle Sam is selling some of the timber, but none of that money goes into the permanent fund.

Conservation, in other words, as practised by Pinchot and his followers, is keeping out of the state coffers and is holding down the value of the land, to the great loss of every taxpayer of the state.

FOREST GROVE MAY LOSE

City Fears United Railways Will Not Touch There.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The surveying crews of the United Railways are at work in the Cedar Canyon section. It is said here that the contemplated line of the company will cut through Forest Grove because of the right of way through the Verboort settlement is questioned.

There is also a rumor that the line will be a steam railroad and that only those portions running into Forest Grove and Hillsboro will be electrified.

United Railways was granted a franchise into Forest Grove some months ago and the business men raised \$2000 for the purchase of terminal tracks and buildings in the town.

The proposed change of the United line has caused some comment here. A meeting was held at Gales Creek yesterday to discuss right-of-way points.

HAMLET DERIDES COOK

Indiana Village Changes Name to Pearyville.

DUBLIN, Ind., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—As an echo of the famous Cook-Peary controversy, the hamlet of Cook, near Owensville, located in the Cedar Canyon section of Southern Indiana, will change its name from Cook to Pearyville.

The settlement took on the name of Cook following the alleged discovery of the north pole by Dr. Cook, but when his evidence failed to prove his claim the residents of the place decided to change the name of the hamlet to Pearyville in honor of the discoverer.

CHINESE TRADE BOOMING

Natives, for Various Reasons, Desire to Supplant Foreign Energy.

quity in that country. According to a Japanese journal, he reports that the "rights-reserve" cry is now supplemented by a demand for the development of native industries, so that the inhabitants, as far as possible, may be able to dispense with foreign products and manufactures.

Mr. Akatsuka divides the promoters of the agitation into five classes. In the first are placed those who are influenced by really patriotic motives.

Their number is exceedingly small. The second consists of persons who utilize the excitement as a lever for getting themselves into good positions. They are the most numerous.

In the third group are promoters of companies who, by exciting the popular mind, hope to obtain subscribers for shares in enterprises which would not otherwise command support.

In the fourth category are placed men who are genuinely on behalf of native industries, and who would fain see the country developed so as to be independent of supplies from abroad.

It is stated that the movement is undoubtedly serving to inspire industrial progress. Companies are springing up for the production of electric lamps and railways, although it is noticeable that these are, for the most part, undertaken partly by officialdom and partly by private persons.

The combination is, however, not unnatural, for, by the aid of officials alone can land be cheaply acquired for building factories and other facilities secured.

CRUISER GOES TO RESCUE

HOPE FOR SAFETY TURNS ON SPEEDY ACTION.

Chilean Government Quick to Dispatch Help, and Five Steamers Sent by Company Follower.

VALPARAISO, Chile, Feb. 13.—Immediately on receipt of news that the Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Lima had been wrecked on a reef in the straits of Magellan, the Chilean government dispatched the protected cruiser Ministro Zenteno to the rescue.

The fate of those who were left behind by the British steamer Htunet, which rescued 208 passengers and crew, will not be known until the Ministro Zenteno, which carries wireless, arrives there.

No further word was received today from the survivors. According to late dispatches last night, there is some hope that the rest of the passengers and crew on the Lima may be able to hold out if aid reaches them quickly.

The Htunet after taking off 205 persons, was compelled to proceed, on account of the danger of being swept upon the rocks by the storm.

The 88 persons left on the wrecked steamer Lima include the captain, five officers and two first-class passengers.

SCRIBER TO BE TRIED SOON

District Attorney Ready to Prosecute La Grande ex-Cashier.

United States District Attorney McCorr will this morning request Judge Wolverson to fix an early date for the trial of George W. Scriber, indicted upon a charge of misappropriating the funds of the Farmers and Traders National Bank of La Grande.

Scriber was cashier of the financial institution, and became heavily interested in the promotion of numerous real estate projects.

The documents do not disclose just how the incident ended, but one official said it was his recollection, from reading the history of the trial, that the President's attitude was upheld by the courts.

Burr was tried at Richmond, Va., in 1867, and was acquitted. The papers, more than a hundred years old, were loaned by Judge Edmund Wadell, of the United States District Court at Richmond, to Chief Clerk Field, of the Department of Justice, to form part of the exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle last year. They were returned safely.

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SEAMEN'S CONCERT ON TONIGHT

The concert this evening at the Seamen's Friend Society Home, corner of Third and Flinders streets, promises to be one of the best of the season. D. E. Groat will arrange the vocal programme: Piano solo, Miss Florence Weust; soprano solo, Miss Myrl Allen; quartet, Misses Allen and Tibbets, Messrs. Allen and Holt; violin, Mr. Mathes; baritone solo, Earl R. Abbott; piano solo, Miss Florence Weust; bass solo, Mr. D. Allen; quartet, tenor solo, W. H. Holt with violin obligato by Mr. Mathes.

NEW ERA WINS AGAINST ROAD

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The people of New Era have been successful in their fight against the Railroad Commission of Oregon against the Southern Pacific Company, and the Commission has just made an order directing the company to re-establish and maintain an agency at New Era. The complaint was made by George Randall, a well-known farmer of New Era.

NO EVIDENCE OF CRIME FOUND

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The coroner's jury empaneled to investigate the case of the infant whose body was found yesterday in an old cesspool near the house of Vasco Christy, at Yaout, found that a young woman who had been in the employ of the Christy family was the mother of the child. The verdict was that the infant came to its death by natural causes.

DRUNK, HE PASSES BAD CHECK

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—A man giving the name of J. L. Downs, and who says his home is at Silverton, was arrested here last night for passing bogus checks. He admits his guilt and says he was on route to Grays River in a logging camp, but got drunk and took the bogus check method of raising money.

UNLICENSED FISHERMAN ARRESTED

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Deputy Game Warden P. E. Peterson arrested George Graves, of Seaside, yesterday for fishing without having a state license. Graves was fishing for salmon trout in the Necanicum River. He was released on \$25 cash bail to appear for trial on February 26.

PREACHERS EXCHANGE PULPITS

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Rev. J. C. Elliott, pastor of the Grace Presbyterian Church of Albany, and Rev. W. T. Wardle, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Lebanon, exchanged pulpits today. Rev. Wardle preaching in this city and Rev. Mr. Elliott in Lebanon.

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BURR HAD FRIEND?

Jefferson Refused to Aid in Treason Trial.

EXECUTIVE WAS EXEMPT

Peculiar and Accidental Discovery Made Last Week Through Documents Recently Exhibited at A.-Y.-P. Exposition.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The fact, learned from documents recently exhibited in Seattle, that Thomas Jefferson, when President, declined to appear in court and produce certain papers in the trial of Aaron Burr for treason, taken in connection with the attitude of the Senate and House in the mandamus of Judge Wright to the joint committee on printing to appear in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia last week, aroused interesting comment among officials of the Department of Justice.

Mr. Jefferson was asked to bring a letter from a General who was believed to have knowledge of Burr's alleged treasonable designs upon the Southwest, but he contended that, as the Executive officer of the Government, he was exempt from the process of the court.

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MEDICINE NEARLY KILLS

Vancouver Woman, Suffering Headache, Takes 70 Tablets.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Two boxes of patent medicine and headache tablets, taken during one afternoon and evening by Mrs. Edward Winterberger, east of the Vancouver Garrison, came nearly causing her death and she is not entirely out of

THE SLEEPING SICKNESS WHICH MEANS DEATH

How many readers have heard of this terrible disease? It prevails in that far-away country—Africa—especially the Congo district. It is caused by the bite of the tsetse fly. When it bites a person, the sleeping symptoms begin and finally the sufferer sleeps until death occurs.

Contrast this with the peaceful, balmy sleep of health. Is there anything more wearing than to lie awake at night, tossing about, nervous, with cold feet, hot head and mercy knows what else? Short of letting the tsetse fly bite us we would do almost anything for relief. How can we prevent it? Mr. George Hayes, of Union City, Pa., writes: "I had lost my appetite, was all run-down, could not sleep nights. I had tried everything without relief. Vinol was recommended, and to my surprise, it helped me at once; gave me a splendid appetite, and now I sleep soundly."

What Vinol did for Mr. Hayes, it will do for every run-down, nervous and overworked person who cannot sleep.

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