

CRITICAL STORM HITS NORTHWEST

Portland Men Stunned, Six
Streets Struck and Build-
ing Lightning-Ignited.

RUBBER TIRES SAVE MAN

To Fact That Leonard Mahan Was
Handling Nonconductor While
Repairing Cycle Is Laid
That He Is Alive Today.

ELECTRIC THUNDER AND RAIN STORM HIT PACIFIC NORTHWEST COUNTRY.

Portland—Two men struck and
stunned by lightning, streets hit,
school building ignited in great elec-
trical storm.

Eugene—Hay and grain damaged
by successive storms.

Newport, Or.—Coast towns wonder
at never-before known thunder
storms.

Marchfield—1.12 inches of rain falls
in 12 hours.

Fairbanks, Alaska—Heavy rains
cause rivers to overflow and city is
partly flooded.

Pendleton—Gale sweeps over East-
ern Oregon, damaging alfalfa, now
being cut.

Two men were struck and stunned,
six streets hit, all carrying passengers
were hit, a hole was torn in Westover
Terrace, the Shaver School building
was ignited and telegraph poles were
burned, horses hit, a chimney torn down
and bricks thrown in all directions,
by the electrical storm that struck
Portland early yesterday morning.

Leonard Mahan, 1915 Thurman street,
was struck by lightning while fixing
a bicycle. The fact that he was hand-
ling the rubber tires accounts for his
escape from possible death.

Earl O'Brien sleeping at 820 Cap-
itol avenue in a brass bed was thrown
out of bed, when a bolt of lightning
struck the bed, and the occupant badly
stunned, but not seriously injured.

Fulton Car Is Struck.

A Fulton car, that had passengers
Captain of Police Riley and three
women, was struck by lightning
yesterday morning at 10 o'clock and all the occupants
including the crew, shocked. Striking
the trolley, the bolt buried itself in the
motor, burning out the wires. Another
car had to be brought up to move it.

Other cars were struck at Twenty-
fifth and Raleigh, Nineteenth and
Giles, Sixteenth and Raleigh, Russell
and Williams, and Twenty-first and
Thurman and in each case both pas-
sengers and crew escaped with a scare.

The elevator of the Riverview Hotel
was put out of commission at East
Third and Giles, telephones and fuses
were blown out and transformers on the
electric poles were made useless. A
bolt struck the home of John H. Abbott
at 820 Capitol avenue and tore a hole
six feet in diameter in the roof.

Prophecy Is "Fair Today."

Prophecy from the weather office for
today is "probably fair with westerly
winds" for Portland and vicinity and
showers and thunder storms for the
eastern portion of the state.

It will be hot and warmer in the
western sections.

Rainfall during the 24 hours previous
to 5 o'clock last night was .19 inch
and the river at Portland was 62 de-
grees with a minimum of 56 and the
barometer read 30.04 inches.

The fire at the Shaver School, at Mis-
sissippi avenue and Morris street, was
extinguished before serious damage
was done.

A pole was knocked down by the
stroke, and the school was ignited
above the west entrance. The school
janitor, who saw the occurrence, ex-
tinguished the fire with a garden hose,
and when the fire apparatus arrived
nothing remained to be done.

Lightning struck the chimney of the
home of E. M. Haupt, 129 East Sec-
ond street, North of the city, and
throwing the bricks to the ground.
The electricity went on down the chim-
ney into the ground, doing no further
damage. No one about the house felt
the shock. A heavy chandelier fell
near the house. The electric lights
and telephone of neighboring houses
were put out of business.

PENDLETON IS STORMSWEEP

Mercury Hovers Around 100, Then
Wind, Rain and Hail Come.

PENDLETON, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
After the thermometer had
stood between 98 and 102 for the past
48 hours, a fierce gale and storm swept
over Pendleton early yesterday morn-
ing, a heavy downpour of rain follow-
ing the wind and within 15 minutes
after the rain commenced a heavy hail
storm ensued.

Much damage is thought to have been
done farmers in the county where al-
falfa is being cut and stacked and also
considerable grain has been beaten
down by the wind and rain.

MARION FARMERS WORRYING

Continued Rain Proving Menace to
Growing Crops.

SALEM, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
Continued rains are worrying farmers
in this vicinity, who say the wet weath-
er which proved of so much value to
crops earlier in the year is continuing
to such an extent as to have proven a
menace to some of the crops.

Considerable hay which has been cut
is being irreparably damaged and
cherry-growers are now becoming
alarmed. A heavy chandelier fell
this afternoon and there is a possi-
bility of the rain doing a large amount
of damage to the cherry crop.

FAIRBANKS PARTLY FLOODED

Heavy Rains Cause Tanana and
Chena Rivers to Overflow.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, June 26.—Con-
tinuous heavy rains caused the Tanana
and the Chena rivers to leave their
banks today and the city is partly
flooded. The water is higher at Fair-
banks than at any other time in the
last six years, with the exception of
the 1911 break-up. The rivers are ris-
ing and it is believed that all previous
flood records will be broken.

The only damage resulting from the
flood today was the destruction of the
Chena River bridge. Terrible elec-
trical storms have put the telephone

and electric lighting systems out of
business.

NEWPORT HEARS THUNDER

Two Storms on Successive Nights
Arouse Much Wonder.

NEWPORT, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
Two thunder storms in two suc-
cessive nights that lasted almost through
the entire night is something that the
native Oregonian is not accustomed to
and does not in the least appreciate.
Monday and Tuesday nights storms
were of unprecedented duration and
violence in this section of the state.

The absence of high wind and heavy
rain which usually accompany such
electrical disturbances was most no-
ticeable in both storms. Total rain-
fall during the 48 hours was .28.

Lightning Strikes at Gervais.

GERVAIS, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
During a light thunder storm light-
ning struck one of the new electric light
poles, slivering it into many pieces,
leaving but a short stub in the ground.
A woman and two children were walk-
ing on the sidewalk just opposite the
pole when it was struck and one of the
large pieces of the pole just missed
their heads.

Hay and Grain Hurt by Storms.

EUGENE, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
The fifth electric storm in four days
passed over the Upper Willamette Val-
ley this afternoon. The latter storms
have been less severe than was the one
of Sunday night, but much rain fell
this afternoon and will cause consid-
erable damage by breaking down hay
and grain.

Clark County Reports No Damage.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 26.—(Spec-
ial.)—Little damage was done here
today by the electrical storm. According
to Government records about 2.5 inches
of rain has fallen this month. Last
Wednesday nearly 1 1/2 inches of rain fell
during the 24 hours. This is a record
in June for the past 39 years.

Condon Has Sultry Days.

CONDON, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
The past three days have been hot and
sultry. No complaints have been made
by farmers as to the crops burning and
it is likely wheat will ripen steadily
and the heads fill well. Harvest has
commenced in the Shuttler Flat neigh-
borhood.

Crop Damage 15 Per Cent.

SPOKANE, June 26.—The damage to
the wheat crop of Eastern Oregon and
Washington and Northern Idaho from
the high temperatures and the heavy
rain this week is estimated in some
sections as high as 15 per cent. A
bumper crop previously had been pre-
dicted.

TWO CONVENTIONS QUIT

IDAHO REPUBLICANS AND DEM- OCRATS ADJOURN SINE DIE.

After Bitter Fights in Executive Ses-
sion Both Organizations Adopt
Platforms and Leave Boise.

BOISE, Idaho, June 26.—(Special.)—
The Republican and Democratic state
platform conventions, which have been
in session in this city for two days,
adjourned sine die tonight, after adopt-
ing platforms. Both were in executive
session. In sealing and filling them
with the Secretary of State the pro-
visions of the direct primary law provide
the platforms cannot be opened for
public inspection until three days fol-
lowing the opening of the conventions.

Bitter fights were made in both con-
ventions over the adoption of the
platforms. Each convention stationed a
sergeant-at-arms at the doors, permit-
ting no one to enter except delegates and
excluding representatives of the press
and spectators.

The fight in the Republican con-
vention broke over the adoption of the
public utilities commission plank. The
conservatives, led by Rosell, of Wallace,
attempted to kill the plank and the
radicals, led by ex-Governor
Gooding, wished to substitute a rail-
way commission plank in its place. The
plank was adopted finally on the ac-
ceptance of the majority report of the
resolutions committee.

Other planks found in the Republican
platform are: Strong indorsement of
Senator Bonanza's pledge of legisla-
tive candidates to his support; In-
dorsement of President Taft and his
administration and the National plat-
form; board of control state insti-
tutions; tax commission; indorsement
of direct primary, enforcement of local
option law, rigid economy in state de-
partments and workmen's compensation
law.

The Democrats killed off the resolu-
tion of George W. Tannahill, of Lew-
iston, candidate for United States Sen-
ator, to pledge the party to a primary
candidate for United States Senator,
after a heated argument led by State
Chairman Nugent. The opposition,
friends of Governor Eastaway, were in-
cluded and routed the Nugent-Tanna-
hill forces.

The main planks of the platform are:
Indorsement of the Democratic Con-
gress and National platform, indorse-
ment of Governor Hawley and adminis-
tration, declare against conservation,
condemn Taft administration, condemn
special agents, indorse public utilities
plank and local option law and ini-
tiative, referendum and recall.

CHRISTIAN SOCIETY COMING

Great Gathering in Portland Next
Year Will Bring 20,000.

"As a convention city, Portland is be-
coming famous throughout America,
but I tell you in all seriousness that no
convention or conference will surpass
in importance the second conference of
the World's Christian Citizenship Soci-
ety, to be held here almost exactly one
year from today."

This was the declaration made by Rev. J. S. McGaw, Na-
tional field secretary of the organiza-
tion, yesterday afternoon at a special
meeting of the General Ministerial As-
sociation in the auditorium of the Y. M.
C. A. It is expected that at least 20,000
delegates will be present.

This conference, which is to be held
June 29 to July 6, 1913, is an assem-
bly of leading representative Chris-
tian statesmen from practically all the
great countries of the world—mission-
aries, ministers, educators, philantrop-
ists, sociologists, moral reformers and
all leaders of Christian thought and ac-
tion.

On the programme it is proposed to
have between 75 and 100 speakers, one
or more from each of the countries of
the world. Every organization having
a patriotic and Christian purpose is in-
vited, or rather requested, to send at
least one delegate.

At the close of the meeting a resolu-
tion was passed welcoming the com-
ing of the conference to Portland and
promising hearty co-operation for it,
and in outlining plans. An enthusias-
tic display of thanks to Mr. McGaw was
passed.

Los Angeles, June 26.—Arrived—Beaver,
Portland; Chabala, Gray Harbor; Wasp,
Aberdeen; Raymonde, Willapa Harbor; Sailed
for Portland; Olympia, Portland;
Chabala, San Diego.

EIGHT EVENTS DUE

Two-Day Auto Races Here to
Be Exciting.

OLDFIELD MAY COME, TOO

Star of Automobile Racing World
Likely to Make Appearance at
Country Club During Elks'

Week—Local Drivers Enter.

At least eight events will be carded
each day of the two-day automobile
race meet to be staged under the
auspices of the Portland Automobile
Club and under the sanction of the
American Automobile Association at
the Country Club track, July 7 and 10.

This was definitely decided at yester-
day's meeting of the special race com-
mittee appointed by President Clemens.
Barney Oldfield, militant star of the
automobile world since he was ban-
ished from sanctioned competition by
the Three A's, probably will be the co-
star with Teddy Telford, road-race
king. The committee yesterday in-
structed W. G. Chasnor to negotiate
with the idol of the motor-car world.

Mr. Chasnor said that he has reason-
able assurances that Oldfield will com-
e. Before being barred by the
Three A's, Oldfield was the acknowl-
edged peer of racers and the king of
all circular dirt-track men.

As an added attraction, Silas Chris-
tianson, the aviator who flew off the
Multnomah Hotel during the Rose Festi-
val, will make two flights each day.
Christianson plans to circle as far
away from the Country Club track as
the range of vision of the spectators
will allow, and promises to do stunts
that will be as daring as any airman
has yet attempted.

Kents and Jeffery Named.

H. L. Kents and Oliver K. Jeffery
were appointed on a committee to ar-
range for transportation. It is planned
to have trains from Kenna at
Portland and the O. V. R. & N.
tracks and special car service from the
Portland Railway, Light & Power Com-
pany.

This service was deemed necessary to
accommodate the hundreds of visiting
Elks who are expected to attend the
meet.

Fred Wagner, official starter of the
American Automobile Association, will
be sought to send the contestants on
their way. Wagner holds a similar
position in the automobile world to that
of "Billy" Jordan in the pugilistic
firmament. In that he has started all
the important automobile races in the
country for years, Fred Wagner will of-
ficiate at the Tacoma meet, July 5
and 6.

Portland Drivers to Race.

A score or more of Portland amateur
drivers will participate in the meet.
Hill, Hughes, Mulford and other stars,
Oliver K. Jeffery yesterday agreed to
race W. J. Clemens, president of the
auto club, in a match event. "Bill" Lip-
man reentered the insinuation that his
Thomas Flyer is an "old boat," and
said he is willing to send his machine
against "Bob" Tamm's Thomas or any
other machine in Portland.

Entry blanks for Portland drivers
will be ready in a few days.

The race is being promoted primarily
to pull the Portland Automobile Club
out of debt. The indebtedness was
caused by the building of the new club-
house and working in improving roads
and posting road signs.

MOTORCYCLISTS PLAN MEET

Entries Received From All Parts of
Northwest for Races July 7.

The Portland Motorcycle Club will
hold its second race meet of the season
Sunday, July 7, at the Country Club
track. At the first matinee, July 2,
fully 4000 people, the largest crowd
ever gathered for a track race, saw the
speedy riders compete.

Vern Maskell, on a seven-horse In-
dian, did a mile in 54 seconds on that
occasion, and other miles were done in
less than a minute.

At the meet many more contestants
will appear, and every race promises
excitement.

The fastest time ever made on the
Portland track was done by Eddie
Graves in 1911 when he negotiated a
mile in 48 seconds, at that time the
record for a mile on a dirt track. His
time should be equaled at the next
meeting.

Entries have been received from Se-
attle, Spokane, Everett, Salem, Medford,
Tacoma, Vancouver and Eugene, and all
of Portland's fast ones will participate.

The programme follows:
Race No. 1—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, stripped stock, pursuit race (belt).
Race No. 2—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, ported, 8 miles.
Race No. 3—Special event, 5 miles.
Race No. 4—7 horsepower, 61 cubic inches,
stripped stock, 5 miles.
Race No. 5—Auto as 4 horsepower, ported,
exhibition, 5 miles.
Race No. 6—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, stripped stock, pursuit race (belt).
Race No. 7—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, ported, 8 miles.
Race No. 8—7 horsepower, 61 cubic inches,
stripped stock, 10 miles.
Race No. 9—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, stripped stock (belt), 5 miles.
Race No. 10—4 horsepower, 35.50 cubic
inches, ported, flying start, 3 miles.
Race No. 11—4 horsepower, 61 cubic
inches, stripped stock, 5 miles.
Race No. 12—Five fastest machines of the
day. All 4 horsepower machines handicapped
one to ten miles.

SPORT PROGRAMME IS LARGE

Country Club to Have Motorcycle,
Auto, Airship and Horse Races.

The Country Club Race Park will be
the mecca for thousands of sport lovers
during the Elks' rush. Motorcycle races
will be the attraction on Sunday, July 7,
automobile races and aeroplane
flights on Tuesday and Wednesday,
July 9 and 10, and horse races on Sat-
urday and Sunday, July 13 and 14.

The Riverside Driving Club definitely
decided to stage this latter two day
harness meet Tuesday night. C. W. Todd
returned from a trip with the an-
nouncement that horses will be here
from Salem, McMinnville, Forest Grove,
Cornelius, Gresham and other cities.

The race committee will draft a pro-
gramme at a meeting later in the week.
Charles Jeffries and C. W. Flanders
were added to the committee, while Al-
bert Woehrl succeeds J. D. Olson as
assistant secretary.

CITY TENNIS COURTS TO OPEN

More May Be Installed If Present
Ones Prove Popular.

As soon as the nets and other para-
phernalia for the 12 city tennis courts
are in place they will be opened to the
public. This will be Friday or
Saturday of this week.

More courts may be installed if those
finished are as popular as expected.
Four are at the Peninsular Park, four
at Columbia Park and the other two in
the Sellwood playgrounds, and others
may be placed on the West Side.

A tournament on each of the grounds
will be started at once and clubs
formed in each place. After a few
players are developed, matches will be
played between the clubs of the dif-
ferent parks.

BOILLAT WINS AUTO RACE

Motorist Takes French Grand Prize
on Course Made Heavy by Rain.

DIEPPE, France, June 26.—Boillot,
driving a French Peugeot machine, won
the Automobile Grand Prize today,
making the distance of 1548 miles
(about 896 miles 7 furlongs) in the
elapsed time of 13 hours, 55 minutes,
23.5 seconds, at an average hourly
speed of 110 kilometers (about 68 miles,
1 1/2 furlongs).

Louis Wagner took second place with
a Fiat, in 14 hours, 11 minutes, 8.2-5
seconds, and Regal, driving an English
Sunbeam machine, in third, in 14
hours, 38 minutes and 36 seconds.

The race took place in a continuous
rain. There were 23 starters.

Bruce-Brown's time for the whole
race was 14 hours, 28 minutes and 13
4.5 seconds. This places him third,
ahead of Regal, but it is charged that
he disqualified himself by losing his
sashoon from a non-authorized station.
This has not yet been decided.

De Palma, who was driving a Fiat,
was disqualified for replenishing fuel
against the rule.

Bruce-Brown competed in the race
unofficially, so that Regal is officially
third.

Boillot's spare wheel flew off during
the race and broke the arm of a
gendarme who was keeping the course
clear.

Charlot Races Assured.

Charlot races, the thrilling features
of the annual Carnival of the
Pasadena, Cal., are to be staged in
Portland July 4, according to E. F.
Kohler, who is now in Portland en-
gaging the crowd. Both the horse
and the auto races are already on the road and
will race on the Country Club track,
two teams of six abreast. Besides the
chariot races a number of other horse
events will be staged as preliminaries.
An exhibition by the Stanley Brothers,
one of whom took the horse handling
championship at the Pendleton Round-
up last year, is to be a feature.

Entry List Will Be Large.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 26.—(Spec-
ial.)—The entry list for the horse
races to be held at the Clark County
fairgrounds July 4 will be large. Al-
ready five entries have been made in
the 2300 trot, Parker Adams (two),
Fred Brooker, C. E. Johnson and John
Holmgren, each entering one.

The grandstand, which will have a
capacity of 1700. The entire grand-
stand will seat 5100 persons and will
be ready for the fair to be held Sep-
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Boxers to Enter Vaudeville.

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Posten Is High Man in Shoot.

EUGENE, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—
Posten, of the Pacific Indians, scored
149 out of 150 shot at the second
day's events of the annual tournament.
McCormack and Trow tied for high
honors for amateurs, breaking 145 saucers
out of 150.

Sport Brevities.

Bud Anderson, the Vancouver light-
weight, who easily defeated Abe Label
at Medford in ten rounds, says he in-
tends going to San Francisco after one
more battle.

Spokane has sold Pitcher Ralph
Willis to Vancouver, state northern ex-
changes. Willis was under contract to
Spokane with the Indians, but was high
and dry when the Indians last visited
Portland.

Portland high school ball players can
play all the amateur ball they want
this summer. The interscholastic rules
as interpreted by a high official put
the ban on outside playing only when
school is in progress.

During the rain storm at 8:30 yester-
day morning the Portland ball park
was struck by lightning, but by a
prank of the bolt no damage was
done. Boys playing in the park saw
the electric flash as it hit a rainpipe.
The bolt followed the metal conductor
to the earth.

Berg Ill, Fight Cancelled.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—The ten-
round fight between Otto Berg, the As-
toria middleweight, and Ed Petroskey,
of this city, scheduled for tonight, was
called off today, Berg having been
taken ill last night.

Game Wanted for Sunday.

The Archer and Wiggins Weonas
want games for Sunday, June 27, and
July 4. Write to W. R. Heales, 210
Morrison street.

Fishing Notes.

Despite the many baskets of fish taken
from Eagle Creek this summer by Port-
land fishermen, the stream still is prolific.
Orin Bennett, Sam Archer and E. G. Clarke,
trying the place with good success Sunday.
The creek assumed immense popularity
this year because of the good fishing.
The number which can be hauled from the
place.

A. L. Tibbets, one of Portland's luckiest
fishermen is going for a week's stay at Go-
bea Creek, back of Kalama, Wash. His
brother, E. Tibbets, will also make a trip
to the same place and spend two weeks
along the banks.

W. F. Backus is off for a week trying to
find some new places of interest to fish-
ermen. He has a place where he declares he
will get some trout larger than the average.

CONSIDER THE TIME AND COMFORT
EN ROUTE TO THE SEASHORE
WHEN SELECTING VACATION RESORTS

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PACIFIC OCEAN

SEASIDE AND GEARHART

Reached by Fast Limited Trains Every Day and Week-ends.
Observation Parlor Cars and Large Coaches.
Columbia River Scenery All the Way.

ONE TRIP CONVINCES
Women, children and men enjoy this
delightful, quick trip along the Colum-
bia River to and from Clatsop Beach, if
made only once for the season or at
frequent week-ends. Accessibility is
the important point.

THE SEASHORE LIMITED
Leaves Portland 9:10 A. M. Daily, Reaches Beach Points for Luncheon.
Returns After Dinner, Reaches Portland 10:30 P. M.

THE WEEK-END SPECIAL
Leaves Portland 2:00 P. M. Saturday, Arrives the Beach for Dinner.
Returns After Breakfast Monday.

An evening train leaves Portland 6:30 daily.
Gearhart and Seaside have first-class hotels, splendid bathing beaches,
fishing, boating, golf, tennis and other amusements.
Special folders, train schedules, parlor car seats, tickets and details at

CITY TICKET OFFICE, FIFTH AND STARK STREETS
NORTH BANK STATION, ELEVENTH AND HOYT STS.

LINCOLN ALUMNI MEET

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES HOLD
ANNUAL CLOSING EXERCISES.

Old Teachers and First Principal
Make Addresses—Vocal and In-
strumental Music Is Rendered.

Three hundred Lincoln High School
alumni met last night at the school
building, Alder and Fourteenth streets,
in their annual school-closing exercises.
and heard addresses by Mrs. Christina
McConnell, the oldest teacher in the
service of Portland high schools; F. K.
Warren, first principal of the Port-
land High School, and others.

Both Mrs. McConnell, who has
taught here for 28 years, and Mr. War-
ren looked back over the growth of
Portland's educational system from a
personal standpoint and spoke of the
old days and of the increase from a
small building and one lone High
School to more than 50 schools, three
of which are high schools and one a
trades institution.

President Ear. Hammond, of the
alumni, opened the evening with a talk
on the history of Lincoln High School,
the oldest in the city. Lincoln was
built in 1881 and at that time con-
servative persons considered it much
too large for the town. The builders
had difficulty in making many believe
that the construction of so large a
school was not a waste of money.

Mr. Hammond was followed by Miss
Lila Rogers, who sang a solo; Hopkins
Jenkins, principal of Jefferson High
School, who made a patriotic address;
Miss Florence McElroy and R. Hasbain
in a violin duet; Mrs. Christina Mc-
Connell and Miss Rogers in another
solo, and Mr.