

LAND SLIDE HITS TILLAMOOK TRAIN

"Scene Indescribable," Says Passenger Reaching Here Wednesday Night.

GRAPHIC STORY RELATED

H. A. Youmans Tells of Wreck on Pacific Railway & Navigation Company's Line—Seventy-Five Feet of Mud Blocks Track.

After traveling 15 miles over a perilous mountain trail with a gale threatening to blow them into the sea at times in order to reach a railroad, three men reached Portland late Wednesday night in time to give the remarkable details of a train wreck which occurred three miles north of Mohler, on the Pacific Railway & Navigation Company line Sunday morning.

All telegraphic communications are down and it will be two weeks before the line will be in thorough repair. A landslide, carrying with it immense rocks, trees and stones, struck the train that left Tillamook at 7:30 A. M. Sunday morning, some three hours later.

Thirty passengers were on the train, most of them being cut by the broken glass and bruised by the contact of stones and branches. Two at least were hurt seriously. Seventy-five feet of mud and earth blocked the track and the travelers report trees blocking the road along the track.

Graphic Story Told.

The story is told graphically by H. A. Youmans, manager of the Redwing Company, with offices in 221 Henry building.

"We left Tillamook last Sunday at 7 o'clock in the morning," he said. "It had been raining and blowing on Saturday night and the storm still continued. After traveling along till we got some three miles away from Mohler, with a suddenness that was awful a huge landslide came tearing down towards us. Trees, stones, rocks mingled with the earth, struck the train right in the middle, just as we were passing a canyon. One huge tree, over 70 feet long and five feet in diameter, caught the train in the center, breaking the couplings.

"There were in all, the engine, the baggage, the smoker and the chair car. Both the passenger cars were thrown off the track, the engine was lifted up and turned over at an angle, though it remained standing. The baggage car was wrecked.

Smoker Turned Over.

"The smoker was turned over, hanging on the side suspended in mid-air above the bank, its sole source of support being a trunk which was rooted there. I was in that car myself.

"Conductor Bentley was hurled through the window of the smoker by the avalanche and crushed against a barbed wire fence. Though his hands were badly lacerated and though torn in more than one place and bruised, he pluckily made his way back as best he could to Wheeler. Thence a wrecking train was sent out with all speed, reaching the scene at 2 o'clock that afternoon.

"I forgot to say that our train was traveling at a speed of from 10 to 12 miles an hour at the time the accident occurred.

Scene Is Indescribable.

"The scene was indescribable. Amid all the driving rain and wind, it was at first impossible to see anything of what had happened except that there in front of us was the damaged train, a huge mass of mud and earth and on all sides were the cries of excited people. Thirty people were on the car, as near as we could tell, many of them women teachers going back to their work.

"Mr. Sipe was sitting in the seat opposite me just before the accident. The next minute the landslide struck us. We were hurled to the far side, and the next thing we knew of was the wreck.

"Not knowing what might happen we rubbed back for our coats and things. Where Mr. Sipe had sat was the branch of a tree, which had pierced the seat, glass strewn the cars and men and women were standing about helplessly.

"Just 200 yards south of the wreck was a ranch, which goes by the name of Roy's ranch. Here everyone took refuge, including the two who were so seriously hurt that they had to be carried. There we waited the arrival of the wreckers.

One Unworthy Deed Related.

"In the baggage car were tons of fish and a little dog. The poor animal was saved in some miraculous way by being sandwiched in between some of the fish. 'Bobunks' was bearded, looted the express packages and took away quantities of the fish, which was the only deed of unworthiness perpetrated.

"After what seemed hours of waiting the wreckers arrived and the passengers were all removed to Wheeler Sunday night and lodged at the hotel. They left Monday morning at 7 A. M. for Garibaldi, where, on account of a fresh landslide, they had to be transferred by boat to Tillamook."

Mountain Trail Dangerous.

"We went across the bay to Nehalem and from there we took the Nehalem Mountain trail over the mountains to Elk Creek. Never shall I forget that trail. The wind was still blowing so hard that many a time we thought we should be blown off into the sea. Mr. Sipe even carried a rock in his hands some of the way as an additional weight against the force of the wind.

"By the way, Monday night we stopped at Neah-kah-nie Hotel, where Mr. Reed was kindness personified, and Tuesday night at Warren.

"Finally we got to Elk Creek, where we managed to take the stage to Seaside, and came in on the evening train, and here we are.

"Except for two or three points, the trail, which of course is an old one, was fairly good. Humber Point was difficult, and we reckon that in all we traveled from 15 to 16 miles, having

to go right over some of the hills, as we could not go around."

Story Is Corroborated.

Mr. Youmans' story was fully corroborated by his fellow walkers, C. O. Snipe, of the Snipe Sewing Machine company, and H. M. Nisbet, of Nisbet Bros., Eighteenth and East Morrison streets.

Mr. Nisbet had gone, with his wife, to pass Christmas and had to leave his wife at Tillamook, as they were the only three of the men to make the trail, while it would have been impossible for the women to think of attempting it.

No telephone communications were possible, as the line was all down, and it will be impossible for any of the others to reach Portland until tonight, they say. From accounts they give the storm was the worst ever experienced, with the force of the wind and the continued length of the storm wrought great havoc all along the line.

In places the mud rose above their knees, and where they stopped for the night the first thing they did was to try to rid themselves of some of the incumbering dirt and mud.

CURIO DEALER CAUGHT

HOLLYWOOD WOMAN FINED \$2700 BY GOVERNMENT.

Should Miss S. Bella Stevens Refuse to Pay Fine Attempt to Smuggle Will Be Charge.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—When Miss S. Bella Stevens, a curio dealer of Hollywood, Los Angeles County, packed her trunks full of embroidered silks and articles of Chinese and Japanese art at Shanghai before leaving the Orient on the steamship Korea, she did not entertain the slightest suspicion that on her arrival here she would run afoul of the customs regulations providing that every dutiable article purchased abroad must be entered upon her declaration.

When she docked at San Francisco a small-sized but agreeable man, attired in blue uniform, handed a paper called a declaration, containing blank spaces for her to write the list of articles which she had in her in the Orient and subject to duty.

Miss Stevens filled out the declaration and handed it to the boarding officer. It called for something less than \$1900 worth of goods. When her trunks were searched at the dock about \$900 worth of dutiable merchandise was found in them that had not been entered on the declaration.

Appraiser Mattos notified the collector that the undeclared articles were of the value of \$925.50 and the collector imposed the fine prescribed by law, which is three times the appraised value of the merchandise, or \$2775.50. But this is not all. After the fine is paid the property will not be returned to her, but will be sold for the benefit of the Government. Such is the law and no exception is made in the case of the gentler sex.

Should Miss Stevens refuse or neglect to pay the fine, criminal prosecution will be inaugurated against her in the Federal Court on a charge of attempting to smuggle.

INDUSTRIAL UNREST GROWS

Austria-Hungary Strikes Show Large Increase Over Previous Year.

VIENNA, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The citizens of Austria-Hungary have been studying the statistics of last year's strikes, and are somewhat uneasy on realizing that there were 49 more than in 1910, when there were 657. Most of the strikes were fought in connection with the building trades, though the metal trades and the tailoring and millinery trades also drastically reflected the growing industrial unsettlement of the empire.

Over 122,000 persons participated in these strikes, 5507 factories were affected, and the loss of money to strikers was estimated at \$1,145,845. The average duration of strikes was 15 days, and the longest strike ran over 234 days, a decrease in their duration when compared to the previous year's record.

The workmen claimed complete victory in 137 cases, as against 114 in 1910. Of the total number of strikes 956 were aggressive and 90 were fought in defense of the workmen's demands. The industrial barometer still registers unsettled weather.

WOMAN, BABE, NEAR DEATH

Mrs. L. Lawrence Thrown From Auto Before Speeding Trolley Car.

Thrown from a wrecked automobile to the path of an oncoming streetcar, Mrs. L. Lawrence, of 1030 Pacific street, yesterday night with her baby escaped death when the streetcar was brought to a halt within a few feet of where she was lying. The accident occurred at East Thirty-seventh and Sandy Road about 7:10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence with the baby were driving rapidly east on Sandy Road when their automobile ran into an excavation between the tracks, which sewer diggers had left unprotected. The two front wheels of the machine were hoisted up by the trench, holding the baby, was sitting in the front seat of the machine beside her husband, and was thrown across the right hand track to the left hand track, slighting full in the path of the speeding Rose City Park car.

The motorman applied the brakes and the two, unhurt but for bruises, were helped up by passersby.

TWO BRIDGES SWEEP AWAY

High Water in Fifteen-Mile Creek Destroys Railroad Property.

DUFUR, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Two bridges on the line of the Great Southern Railway have been swept away by high water in Fifteen-Mile Creek so that no trains have moved since Sunday.

The recent heavy rains have raised all the streams in this vicinity higher than any time in recent years. The ground was frozen so that practically all the rain that fell has run into the creek, very little, if any, of the water sinking into the soil.

PARCEL POST USED

System Is Inaugurated With Enthusiasm Everywhere.

RAILROADS NOT PREPARED

Indication Already Is That Equipment Will Be Found Lacking to Cope With New Demands Made Upon It.

CHICAGO—About 2500 packages deposited under the new law. Mail-order house mails 450 parcels. One concern buys \$17,000 worth of stamps.

SPokane—First day of new law sees 172 packages mailed to various zones.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The inauguration of the parcel post system in Washington was an unqualified success. The number of substations, it was impossible last night to tell with accuracy the volume of business in the city during the day, but the number of packages generally had the main office seems to warrant the statement that the public has quickly adjusted itself to the new service and will make much use of it.

No reports from postoffices throughout the country were received today indicating any material difficulty in carrying out the new business. Here in Washington all persons complied with the rules in regard to the size and weight of packages, and none had to be refused.

Business Widely Distributed.

Surprise was expressed by postal officials over the distribution of business, but it may have been merely incidental to a holiday. No trays backed up to the postoffice loaded with parcels from a single address. The packages received today came from nearly as many individuals as there were packages. It is expected that merchants will utilize the service to secure suburban delivery of parcels, and in Chicago and other large cities special arrangements have been made to meet the situations which are expected to develop.

By the payment of an additional 10 cents senders of parcel post packages may have them insured, and here today about 10 per cent of the packages were so insured. At the main postoffice the receipt of packages averaged about 11 an hour. There was large business in the sale of postage stamps, many being taken by collectors.

Success, Hitchecock Says.

Postmaster-General Hitchecock said today that while it was too early to make any definite prediction concerning the volume of parcel business, a close study of the situation had convinced him it would prove a tremendous success and would be of more benefit to the people than anything that had ever happened in the history of half a century or more. Mr. Hitchecock said he would not be able for several weeks to obtain anything like a reasonably daily average of the volume of the parcel post business.

It is expected to show wonderful growth when its success is demonstrated to the people. It will come to a full realization of what it is capable of in the saving of time, as well as in cost of transportation.

The parcel post system worked without a hitch during its first 18 hours in New York. There was little rush, due to the holiday, and the clerks were able easily to cope with the business. It was said that 290 parcels had been received at the general postoffice up to tonight, and it was estimated that the first full day's business there would show a total of 350.

Postmaster Morgan received, on an early train from Washington the silver loving cup sent by Postmaster-General Hitchecock to inaugurate the service.

Eggs Returned in Cake.

Six fresh eggs, mailed from St. Louis to Edwardsville, Ill., early this morning, were returned tonight made into a cake. The eggs were mailed at the main postoffice at 12:05 o'clock this morning, and the cake was delivered at 7 P. M. Edwardsville is about 20 miles from St. Louis.

A four-pound piece of side pork, mailed from Addison, Mich., was the first package received by parcel post in Detroit. The second was a broken horse collar which a farmer at Peck, Mich., sent in for repairs to a wholesale harness dealer.

A brick business marked the opening of the parcel post service in Boston, more than 100 persons waiting for the night. One of the first packages was a small pot of Boston baked beans, sent to Mayor Fitzgerald.

Chicago's New Year's resolution to make use of the Nation's gift—the parcel post system—was initiated today by the sending of approximately 2500 packages of merchandise through the mails.

Although the main postoffice and the substations were open only until 10 A. M., many individuals were found to test out the new carrier system.

Concern Buys \$17,000 in Stamps.

A majority of the packages deposited weighed from a quarter to three pounds. Practically all of them were for delivery in the first, second, third, fourth and fifth zones. A mail-order firm deposited 450 packages for delivery.

Several large concerns who use the mails and express exclusively in their business, have been holding up packages for delivery up to the fourth zone, until the new system was operative. One concern alone bought \$17,000 worth of stamps today, and another announced it had 10,000 pieces ready to be dispatched.

The insurance feature seemed to appeal to those who dispatched packages today. A large number paid the registration fee of 10 cents, which insures the merchandise up to the amount of \$50.

Some Difficulties Foreseen.

It became evident to postal officials early in the day that some difficulties, more or less serious, were likely to be encountered in the incipient stages of

Your Sunday Dinner

Will be as welcome as the fine ones we served to you on Christmas and on New Year's, and it will be as well prepared and as courteously served. To enjoy it to the utmost, bring some one to share it with you. Music.

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NOON LUNCHEONS

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the operation of the new system. From every city came reports that many packages bore ordinary postage stamps instead of the distinctive parcel post stamps. Under the law such parcels have to be held for lack of proper postage.

Notwithstanding that it was a holiday the amount of business offered at offices throughout the country fairly measured up to the Christmas rush. On the ordinary business days indications are that the volume of traffic will be tremendous.

How this matter is to be transported by the railroads is a serious question. Within a few days it has become apparent that the railroads generally had not sufficient equipment ready to handle a vastly increased weight of mail.

Generally, no delay in the delivery of parcels is expected, as extraordinary measures have been taken to provide service.

CONFUSION RESULT FIRST DAY

Few Freak Packages Are Mailed but No Parcels Reach Portland.

Confusion and general misunderstanding was the result of the first day's business of the new parcel post system at the Portland Postoffice. Several people took advantage of the opportunity and mailed freak packages, within the limits of the law, one being a frozen egg to President Taft by a local poultryman, and several others with the intent of advertising purposes.

Many people came to the main Postoffice building with packages that had the old "class" stamps attached, and when told that the new parcel post system had gone into effect they expressed surprise, saying that they had never heard of it.

Not a pound of mail was received from out of town yesterday in Portland with a parcel post stamp attached to it, and the total receipts amounted to three of the usual-size mail sacks that disappeared in the regular way as the mail trains departed.

Managers of the express companies doing business in Portland are watching the outcome of the parcel post system with more than passing interest, while they say that their business will have to adjust itself later to meet and compete with the Government, these plans have not reached a stage to be made public. The managers of one express company did say, but he asked that his name be not made public: "We believe that a private company can conduct such business more economically than a public service corporation, and we will prove this to the public before a year is passed. It may lead to some restrictions by congress, but they will win out in the end, as conditions in this country cannot be compared with those in foreign countries, and it is on this that we will win out."

SEATTLE PACKAGE IN EARLY MAIL

Woman in Postoffice at 5 A. M. to Mail Herself a Parcel.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Seattle's first parcel post shipment was made promptly at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, the honor of being the first sender of a package by the new system being given to Martina Kelly, of 718 Cherry street, who sent a package addressed to herself at White Salmon, Wash., on which the postage was \$2.

Roy R. Hazard, who is to have charge of the parcel post window, threw it open at 8 o'clock, and Mrs. Morris, who had been waiting since 5 o'clock, handed her parcel saying, "I expect to move to White Salmon within a few days, and I just wanted awfully to try out this new system."

Ten other parcels were received immediately, one being a basket of eggs mailed by Mrs. Molly Kelly, of Auburn, to her sister, Mrs. Martina Kelly, at Snohomish, marked "Please expedite," and "fragile."

Superintendent Hazard said many had failed to put the new stamps on

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- All Night Robes Reduced
- All Pajamas Reduced

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their packages and consequently their parcels would be held for postage.

FIRST PARCEL IS "JINXED"

New Stamps Not Available and Five-Cent Package Costs 13 Cents.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—What should have been the first package under the parcel post law that went into effect Wednesday was probably influenced by the "13" jinx. It could not be sent under the new law with the cheaper rate because the supplies had not been handed to the local Postoffice clerk who was in charge of this department.

The package as it was sent, cost 13 cents, whereas it would have cost but 5 cents. It was a bundle of collars from a laundry of this city, and was being sent to J. J. Chute, in Durkee, a place within the 50-mile zone under parcel post.

TACOMA OFFICIAL RECIPIENT

New Year's Greeting Goes to Postmaster as Parcel Post Package.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The first parcel delivered by parcel post of the Tacoma postoffice was received by Postmaster Stocking, sent by a friend in Tacoma, and containing a New Year's greeting.

The first package for delivery outside of Tacoma was mailed by Mrs. Charles B. Cobb to Colby, Wash. The first piece of parcel post mail delivered went to Mrs. R. W. Radcliffe, 1122 South E street. It contained a dressed chicken mailed at Glen Cove. The package arrived here on the 10 o'clock boat and was delivered to Mrs. Radcliffe in time for the New Year's dinner. Postage cost 8 cents.

DOG IS SENT BY PARCEL POST

Brindle Bull Is First Package to Be Mailed at Yonkers, N. Y.

YONKERS, N. Y., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—A brindle bulldog was the first parcel post package mailed in Yonkers. It was in a box addressed to William Trelvor, of 50 Woodworth avenue. Although live animals are not accepted for transportation through the mails, Postmaster Warren made an exception as it was the first parcel, and had a carrier deliver it.

The postmaster went in his private carriage to deliver personally a six-pound roast from New York addressed to a Yonkers housewife, so she might have it in time for New Year's dinner.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 2.—The parcel department of the local postoffice began its career with a vim yesterday, 327 packages being mailed at the main office and various branches.

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