

SIGNAL SAVES AS FLOOD HITS TRACK

Cloudburst in Blue Mountains Sweeps Before Onrushing Passenger Train.

TRAFFIC BLOCKED 4 HOURS

Storm at Perry Sunday Night Sends Torrent Down Mountain Side, Damaging Railroad Track and Small Sawmill.

PENDLETON, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—The breaking of the electrical current in the O. W. R. & N.'s block signal system by the water is all that saved westbound passenger train No. 2 from going over a straight drop from the track into the Grande Ronde River, following a big cloudburst late Sunday night at Perry, a sawmill town on the eastern slope of the Blue Mountains, according to passengers arriving here today.

The cloudburst occurred a few minutes before the train reached the scene. The broken current had thrown the block up to "danger" and the engine stopped the train in the nick of time.

At 11 o'clock the storm broke, throwing a solid sheet of water on to the hill just above the sawmill. The deluge split, running two ways, one wall of water going over the railroad and washing out the track, while the other torrent swept to the sawmill.

The freeman saw the wall of water rushing down upon the structure, and hastily threw open the doors of the mill, permitting the water to pass through the mill instead of sweeping it away.

Immediately following the cloudburst three landlides rapidly succeeded each other in half an hour, tearing away more track and piling great masses of rock and debris in the wake of the washout. A working crew was sent to clear the wreckage and repair the tracks. Traffic was delayed about four hours.

That no lives were lost is due to the fact that the cloudburst did not strike the residence district of Perry, most of the inhabitants living across the river or down the river a quarter of a mile from the mill.

RAIL DAMAGES IN GILLIAM

Wheatgrowers Suffer Thousands of Dollars' Loss in Crops.

CONDON, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Damages amounting to many thousands of dollars in various parts of Gilliam County is the result of Sunday's big rain and hail storm. Hundreds of acres of young wheat, just beginning to head out, were battered down.

Although hail fell generally in the Condon section, the country to the south and east suffered most. The storm traveled in a freak manner, hail as large as marbles falling to the depth of 3 inches in some places, and destroying a few hundred acres here and there.

Among the big losers are Clyde Cripe, who rents the Cooke ranch east of town. His loss is 800 acres of wheat, which at that time he had valued at \$6000. I. A. Hooke, who had 100 acres of the finest wheat ever grown in Gilliam County, is a heavy loser, while a large number of farmers suffered to some extent. However, in other sections or even adjoining the hail-hit fields, wheat was unharmed. The rain was needed, and Gilliam County is still in hope to give forth an average crop this year.

Over on Rock Creek the storm fell in a sort of cloudburst which flooded and damaged everything in its path. Thousands of dollars' damage is also reported to ranches and crops in the creek bottom. Jim Platt's house was washed away. Mr. Broy's house, which of alfalfa hay, 18 hours, chickens, wagon shed, fence and flumes. In all, the loss is \$3000. C. C. Cripe, who was hard hit by the cloudburst, practically washed away his fine alfalfa ranch on Rock Creek.

CLEARWATER TRACK COVERED

Traffic Much Delayed, but No Damage to Crops Reported.

LEWISTON, Ida., June 9.—(Special.)—A cloudburst on the Clearwater Short Line this afternoon near Kamiah disabled traffic between Lewiston and Siles and covered the tracks for a stretch of 200 feet with debris and timber.

The cloudburst covered an area of 15 miles, with no great damage to property or crops in that section. It will be three days before traffic can be resumed, owing to the absence of machinery with which to clear the tracks.

The waters of the Clearwater are subsiding and it is believed that the period of extremely high water is past.

METHODISTS MEET SOON

In August Columbia Conference Will Be Held at Coquille.

COQUILLE, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—The 45th annual conference of the Columbia conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South will be held in this city for four days commencing August 27, when Bishop Waterhouse, of Los Angeles, will preside. The Columbia conference comprises all that territory lying west of the Southern Pacific Railroad in Oregon. Between 60 ministers, there will be present delegates to the Woman's Missionary society, which will hold their annual meetings at that time.

Among the officers who have signified their intention of attending this session are: Dr. W. E. Vaughn, of the Pacific Methodist Advocate; Dr. W. F. Murray, secretary of the general board of church extension; Dr. Stonehall Anderson, secretary of the general board of education; Dr. James Crutchfield, president of Columbia Junior College. Delegates to the general conference, to be held at Oklahoma City, Okla., May, 1914, will be elected at this meeting, and appointments of ministers for the district will be made. The people are planning to entertain the ministers and the other representatives, and it is probable that a watermelon feast in the newly-acquired park and a steamboat ride on the Coquille River will be among the entertainments.

INSTRUCTORS WILL STUDY

Members of Agricultural College Faculty Leaving.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—

Graduate study and research work will occupy the Summer vacations of several members of the instructional staff at Oregon Agricultural College. Among those going to Chicago University are Miss Alice L. Edwards, department of zoology, and Miss Grace Campbell, instructor in mathematics. They will leave Monday.

James G. Arbutnot, instructor in physical education, will go to Harvard Summer school, and Miss Carolyn Ploock, instructor in physical education for women, will study at Berkeley. Others going to Berkeley are E. B. Lemon, assistant in commerce, and E. B. Beatty, instructor in mathematics.

Professor A. G. B. Bouquet, department of vegetable gardening, will go to Europe to study horticultural and agricultural methods in vogue in the Old World. Professor and Mrs. Bouquet left Corvallis today and will sail from New York next week on the Cunard

WITH ONLY ONE TICKET IN FIELD, LEWISTON ELECTS MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN.



Dr. J. B. Morris, LEWISTON, Ida., June 9.—(Special.)—Dr. J. B. Morris was elected Mayor today without opposition. Frank Thompson, J. D. Jacobs and George E. Crum were elected Councilmen. There was only one ticket in the field.

Dr. Morris is a pioneer physician of Lewiston and has been prominent in the development of this section.

Frank Thompson is treasurer of the Lewiston Mercantile Company. J. D. Jacobs is part owner and manager of the Twin City Lumber Company, has represented this district in the State Legislature and is chairman of the trustees of the Lewiston Independent School District. George E. Crum is a partner in the firm of White Brothers & Crum, the pioneer wholesale fruit dealers, and served one term as State Senator.

Inner Campana and will first visit relatives in Yelton, Surrey County, England, which is Professor Bouquet's former home.

TWO IN MAYORALTY RUN

ALL THE DALLES CANDIDATES ARE INDEPENDENTS.

Women Taking Great Interest in Election and Two Will Officially at Polls.

THE DALLES, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Dr. J. E. Anderson, State Representative for Wasco and Hood River counties, and J. T. Koricak, are the two candidates from which the voters of this city will select a Mayor at the annual city election here June 16. All of the office aspirants are running on the Independent ticket.

Justice J. A. Douthitt has no opposition for Second Ward Councilman, nor has J. E. Barnett, the candidate for City Treasurer. Other candidates are: First Ward Councilman, one year—Dr. A. W. Walther, incumbent, and E. W. Hilt; Second Ward Councilman, one year—C. L. Darnelle, incumbent, and B. C. Cobb; Third Ward Councilman, three years—Chris McClay and John G. Milne.

Water Commissioners—First Ward, Dr. J. M. Lowe and Earl Vickers; Second Ward, Harry Clough, A. W. Mohr and H. M. Ford; third Ward, G. F. Arnold and Albert Bettington.

The women of The Dalles are taking much interest in the coming election. Many of them belong to the Political Study Club, which holds regular meetings, the aim of the members being to study municipal affairs and better qualify themselves for voters. The local charter, ordinances and state laws are carefully studied by the club.

Among the local election officials, who number 15, are two women, Mrs. R. H. Weber and Mrs. Harry Wheeler. They will act at the Second Ward polling place.

TROUT 28 1/2 INCHES LONG

Beautiful Rainbow Specimen Is Caught in Lewis & Clark River.

ASTORIA, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—One of the largest if not the largest rainbow trout ever taken in this vicinity was caught by Charles V. Brown on Sunday afternoon in the upper Lewis and Clark River, near the Jack Thornburn ranch.

The fish is a beautiful specimen, 28 1/2 inches in length, and tipped the scales at 6 1/2 pounds. It was caught with a No. 10 royal coach fly and put up such a game fight that it took 20 minutes to land him.

Centralla Wants Indians.

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the July Fourth celebration committee in Centralla last night it was voted to make an Indian encampment a feature of the coming festivities. With this end in view, Frank Montgomery, a Centralla who is acquainted with the Indian language and customs, will go to Oakville next week to induce the Indians on the reservation to send a delegation here for the celebration.

Logging Camp Has Hunger Strike.

MORTON, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—A hunger strike among the men at the Lindberg logging camp resulted in the crew coming to town. On assurance that more and better food would be provided the men went back to work.

Medical Association Meets.

LEBANON, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—The Central Willamette Valley Medical Association held its quarterly meeting in this city last night with 20 of the leading physicians of the Valley in attendance.

DAY BILL SURVEYED

Attorney-General Crawford Gives Out Position.

PURPOSE IS NOT STATED

State Official Goes Into Detail as to Why He Believes Unconstitutional Act Calling for Special Election in November.

SALEM, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Crawford, who believes that the Day bill, providing for a special election in November for the reference of measures, is unconstitutional, as held by Circuit Judge Galloway, today gave the following reasons in support of his position:

First, that section 1, calling the act, provides there shall be held a special election in the several voting precincts of this state, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1913, for the purpose of which the call was made is stated in the act; it was not called to vote upon any particular measure or bill, but only a day fixed for an election. Then it afterwards provides that any act passed by the 27th Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, upon which the referendum may be invoked, shall be submitted to the voters for their approval or rejection at such special election.

The second clause above quoted, which is the only clause from which any purpose for calling the election could be gathered, simply makes it mandatory that if any referendum petitions shall be filed they shall be submitted at the special election. Of course, if none are filed, none would be submitted and an election might be held without anything referring to the referendum. The judge also took into consideration section 1 of article 1 of the Constitution, which provides: "All elections on matters referred to the people of the state shall be held at the biennial regular general elections, except when the Legislative Assembly shall order a special election," construing the same to mean that if the Legislature passes an act and then wishes that act to be approved or rejected by the people, it passes another act referring the matter to the people to be voted upon at a special election called for that purpose, to wit: the purpose of voting upon some special measure named in the call.

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VOTERS MADE TO REGISTER

Bridge Bond Workers Active in Rounding Up Derelicts.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—With the object of getting every voter man and woman, registered in Precinct C, this city, active workers have formed an organization, so that all will be able to vote for the bridge. House-to-house canvassing is being made and when an unregistered voter is found he is urged to register and keep on his trail until it is easier to register than to refuse.

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ALBANY GRANTS FRANCHISE

Portland and Detroit Capital May Be Invested in Gas Plant.

ALBANY, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—A franchise for a gas plant in Albany was granted by the City Council yesterday afternoon to the Albany Gas Company, which represents capitalists of Portland and Detroit, Mich.

Under the terms of the franchise, the Albany Gas Company will be required to file a written acceptance of the franchise within 30 days and must also file a \$5000 bond to begin work in good faith on the plant before January 1, 1914, and have the plant in complete operation before December 31, 1914. The franchise is for a period of 20 years and at the expiration of that period the city has the option of purchasing the plant.

BERRIES MAY GO TO WASTE

Underwood Crop Will Be Lost if Pickers Cannot Be Secured.

UNDERWOOD, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—Strawberry pickers are badly needed here, and it is estimated that unless relief soon comes approximately 1900 crates of fruit will be lost in this district.

The shortage this year is attributed partly to the high water, which keeps the Portland-Dallas boats from landing, and this has been the customary way for pickers to travel.

Building Active at Pleasant Home.

PLEASANT HOME, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Frank R. Frost, representing the Umbdenstock & Larson Company, has announced here yesterday that the building which was destroyed by

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The last Wednesday will be rebuilt. Plans are being drawn for a larger and more work is progressing on the structure and the building is being occupied by the Pleasant Home Mercantile Company. The loss was \$4000 on the structure and was covered by insurance. Work is progressing on the water tower, also on a store and residence for Dr. H. Offental, on a residence for Dr. H. K. Frost, Jr., a home for J. Thomas and other buildings.

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CATHLAMET GIRL ELOPES

Youth of 20 and Maid of 18 Married at Kalama.

CATHLAMET, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—A youthful romance culminated last week in the elopement of Miss Agnes Hadden, assistant in the Post office here with Lester Venable, of Skamokawa.

Accompanied by a young matron the couple quietly left Kalama Friday and were married there Saturday. The bride is 18 years old and the bridegroom is 20.

Both are members of well-known families and have a large circle of acquaintances.

Automobile Burns Up.

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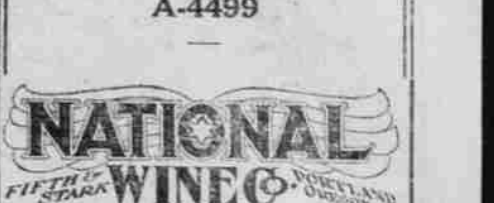
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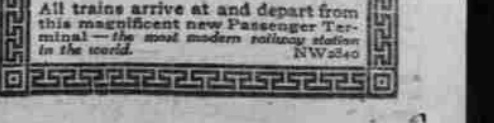
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