

THREE LIVES TOOK
OF BOAT ON RIVER

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ROCKED BOAT UPSETS

Witness Tells How Two Meet Death in Columbia Slough; Dix Hits Bundy Tank's Bottom on Dive. Infant's Body Found.

SUMMER'S DROWNING TO DATE. George Childs fell from log raft and drowned at Bridal Veil June 12. Raymond Ellis drowned in river July 12. Roger Masler, 7, fell in river and was drowned June 23. Richard S. Bear drowned in Oswego Lake June 26. J. Morris drowned while swimming in Columbia Slough July 4. Body not yet recovered. Allen Robertson, 15, drowned in Oswego Lake while learning to swim July 5. Fred Bassett drowned when canoe overturned on log raft July 7. Fred Metzger, swimming in Columbia Slough, seized with cramps and drowned July 9. Island Herminghaus, bridegroom of two months, drowned in Oswego Lake July 9. Percy Kemp, swimming in the river, was seized with cramps and went down July 14. Arthur Dainton drowned in Oswego Lake July 18. Edward M. Childs and W. H. Ewin drowned in Columbia Slough when rowboat capsized July 19. Arthur D. Dix, swimming in Bundy Tank, dove into water and failed to come up July 19.

Yesterday was a day of river tragedies.

Edward M. Childs, 20, treasurer of the Emmons Theater, and W. H. Ewin, 21, and son of Dr. W. H. Ewin, of 875 East Taylor street, were drowned in Columbia Slough, and Arthur D. Dix, recently of the Second Field Artillery, lost his life at Bundy's bathing pavilion.

The body of a 3-weeks-old baby, with its skull crushed, was found beneath the pier of the Pacific Elevator Company. It is believed the child had been killed with an ax and thrown into the river.

According to N. J. Taylor, 1171 Kerby street, who witnessed the drowning of Childs and Ewin, the two secured a shell rowboat from the Oregon Boat-houses about midnight Saturday. They remained in the boat until 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning, when the rowing occurred. Taylor said he was standing about 250 feet from where the boys were fishing, when one of the young men rocked and capsized the boat.

Childs Attempts Rescue. Taylor said he saw the boys struggle to throw off their capsizing boat, then Childs, who is said to be a good swimmer, started toward the shore, about 40 feet away. As he neared the bank he turned around and went back to assist Ewin, who was struggling desperately. The latter could not swim. Taylor says that he ran toward the scene, but before he was able to reach the struggling men Ewin had grabbed Childs and both sank from view.

Boats Leave at Midnight. Employees at the Oregon Boat-houses, where Ewin and Childs secured the craft which capsized, were notified of their death by Ewin, Childs and several other young men rented boats about midnight Saturday. All but the Childs and Ewin boats were returned to the boat-houses before daylight. The names of those who accompanied the two Saturday night are not known.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Ewin, young Ewin's parents, were overcome with grief when the news of their son's death reached them last night. Mrs. Childs also was prostrated.

The scene of the drowning was about 500 yards north of the intersection of Columbia boulevard and Vancouver avenue.

Bather Drowns in Tank. Arthur D. Dix was drowned while diving at Bundy's bathing pavilion about 3:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It is believed Dix struck his head upon the boards at the bottom of the swimming tank and was knocked unconscious. His body was recovered from the tank a few moments later by engineer Karl Prehn, of the Harbor Patrol. A slight beating of the heart was noticeable when Dix was removed from the water and a hurry call was sent to the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company for a pulmoner.

Infant's Body Found. He was bathing at the pavilion in company with a young woman. He had resided for the past two weeks at the Modern Hotel, second and Couch streets. No identification letters or discharge papers were found among his effects. Early yesterday morning a dock employe at the Pacific Elevator Company discovered the dead body of an infant beneath the piers, beached on the sand. Harbor-master Speler was called and removed the body to the morgue. According to Captain Speler, the skull of the infant had been split in two, evidently with an ax. It is believed the baby was about three weeks old, had been murdered and thrown into the river about a week ago. Coroner Slocum will hold an inquest over the bodies of the drowned men and of the infant today.

TWO OREGON MEN WHO SERVED UNDER COMMODORE PERRY IN JAPANESE EXPEDITION.



W. H. Hardy (Left) Correcting Memory of Alexander Weir (Right) as to Events of Commodore Perry's Expedition to Japan in 1854.

2 SURVIVORS WITH
PERRY MEET HERE

Aged Seadogs, Now Living in Oregon, Served Under Famous Commodore.

LAST OF CREW, IS BELIEF

W. H. Hardy, 78, of Portland, and Alexander Weir, 82, Living Near Beaverton, Swap Memoirs, Unmindful of Heat.

There were two men at least in Portland yesterday who scorned to complain of the heat.

Two grizzled old sea-dogs are W. H. Hardy, aged 78, and Alexander Weir, aged 82, whose talk is reminiscent of the days when the sails of American shipping made white the seven seas.

Yesterday's brilliant sunshine was nothing to them, for they could remember, they said, when the pitch used to boil out of the decks under the equator, and Mr. Hardy recalled one day in Calcutta when the thermometer registered 120 and five or six white sailers dropped dead with sunstroke.

In those days, along about the middle of the last century, American ships used to take ice from New England to India and the East Indies.

Two Are Last Perry Survivors. To the best of their knowledge, Mr. Hardy and Mr. Weir are the last survivors of the Commodore Perry expedition to Japan in 1852 and 1854.

Mr. Hardy lives at the end of the Kings Heights carline, just outside the city limits, where he has a home on a small island in the mouth of the Columbia River and a half mile southeast of Beaverton.

Mr. Hardy entered the United States Navy August 13, 1852, shipping at the Brooklyn Navy-yard, on the sloop-of-war St. Mary's. He was transferred soon afterward from the St. Mary's, at Norfolk, to the Mississippi, a side-wheel steam frigate, and went with her to Funchal, Madeira Islands, Commodore Perry being in command.

Commodore Perry's command lay at Shanghai from May 4 to 17, 1853, when he transferred his flag from the Mississippi to the Susquehanna, also a steam vessel, Lieut. Comdr. James W. Smith, 12 men, of whom Mr. Hardy was one.

Mr. Weir Enlists in 1853. Mr. Weir was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and followed the sea from boyhood. Finding himself in Peru, with "nothing in sight," he shipped on a whaler to Valparaiso, and there, in 1852, he was recruited by the Commodore Perry storehouse Southampton, and went with her to Yokohama Bay.

Two Men First Meet. Mr. Hardy was transferred to the Powhatan when Commodore Perry made her his flagship in Yokohama Bay, March 17, 1854, after which he and Mr. Weir were shipmates. Mr. Hardy was discharged March 24, 1856, at Norfolk, Mr. Weir having been discharged February 25, 1856, also at Norfolk. From the date of Mr. Weir's discharge until August, 1912, the two did not see or hear of each other.

Old Shipmates Reunited. Mr. Hardy went to see his old shipmate and he and "Sandy," as Mr. Hardy calls Mr. Weir, had a great time talking over the old days. Since then they have visited each other frequently, Mr. Weir having come to see Mr. Hardy yesterday.

Mr. Hardy had lived near Portland since 1885 and Mr. Weir since 1882. Mr. Hardy says that four other survivors of the historic expedition, of whom three, to his knowledge, are now

dead, settled in Portland. They were R. J. Dowling, James Downey and Paul Dowling, whose graves are in Mount Calvary Cemetery, and Harry Willey, formerly of Portland, and later of Cottage Grove. Of the latter's present residence the Japanese diplomats were not sure if he is still living. Mr. Hardy and Mr. Weir do not know. A man named Meretheus, who was a sailor with Perry, died in a Puget sound city last November, and Mr. Hardy received a clipping from a Pennsylvania paper about a year ago saying that J. P. Gillen, whom he knew well, "supposed to be the last survivor of the Commodore Perry expedition," had died at Alton, Pa., in February, 1912.

First Japan Treaty Recalled. Both Mr. Weir and Mr. Hardy recall vividly the ceremonies and attendant circumstances at the signing of the treaty with Japan, March 31, 1854. They tell how the miniature railroad was landed and put into operation, as was also a telegraph outfit and other scientific devices, to the great amazement of the Japanese.

They both were impressed and amused with the Oriental magnificence of the party which represented the Mikado. The Japanese diplomats wore long yellow robes, silk-embroidered with great birds resembling pelicans. The married women in the crowd had their hair dressed up as a symbol of their estate, and Mr. Weir describes how they grinned at the American sailors.

There was an exchange of gifts, the Japanese bringing tons of rice down to the beach for the sailors, and everybody had a good time.

"And I stole a jar of sake," said Mr. Weir, "but don't put that in the paper."

230 VISITORS
OAKS' ATTRACTIONS

HOUSES, DOGS AND MONKEYS PRINCIPAL ATTRACTIONS ON BILL.

Number of Bathers Reached 2000 and Concessionaires All Report That Business Is Excellent.

Thousands of people sought and found cool surcease at Oaks Park yesterday, both day and night. Late yesterday the entrance turnstiles had clicked off over 15,000 numbers, while the stream of pleasure seekers flowed on steadily.

Horses, dogs and monkeys that accomplished the application of all senses but speech were seen in the Carlos-Fogg Miniature Circus. Children of all ages and "grown-ups," too, animated the animal numbers, while the stream of pleasure seekers flowed on steadily.

HEAT WAVE DRIVES MAN BACK TO NATURE IN CITY

Police Find Clothes; Grappler Is Called, but Soon Earl Griffith Swims Over From Nude Retreat on Island.

THE warm weather aroused primitive instincts in Earl Griffith Saturday night and he decided to emulate the animals, the nature man. Griffith took off his clothes and went swimming at the foot of Abernethy street after 9 o'clock Saturday night. Boldly he struck out for Ross Island and was lost in the darkness.

Early yesterday morning someone discovered Griffith's clothes on the logs. The harbor patrol was summoned and City Grappler Brady left immediately to search for Griffith's body.

For an hour the veteran grappler worked as hard as he had ever worked before. He could not snag anything promising that rubbish bin. "I can't get him," said Brady, "the bottom's smooth and not very deep. He must have gone down here somewhere."

Griffith continued his work. He got hold of sunken wires, old shoes and all sorts of trash, but nothing that looked human.

"See, look what's coming!" said one of Brady's companions suddenly.

Out in the channel a man was swimming toward the grappler's boat. He was a strong swimmer, and his husky strokes soon carried him past the rescue boat and onto the logs. He stretched himself, rubbed his eyes a bit, and picked up the clothes, which were the nearest to a corpus delicti the state had thus far been able to establish in the Griffith case.

"What's that you doin'?" yelled Brady, pulling for the log raft.

"Going home as soon as I put these duds on," said the man.

"Are you the man we're fishing for?" asked the grappler.

"I dunno. You looking for me?" "You betcha. Life we're looking for you where you been all night?" "Oh, over on the island," grinned Griffith, putting on his coat as he walked away.

"Well, I'll be consarned; I ain't a dry land grappler," ejaculated Brady.

LIGHTNING STARTS FIRES. Timber Patrolman Witness of Two Cases Near Mosier Recently.

Proof of the theory held by timbermen that lightning has caused many forest fires is contained in a letter received by J. M. Letter, a Portland lumberman, from O. E. Wilson, of Mosier, a fire patrol, who serves as a deputy under State Forester Elliott.

FURNITURE OF HIGHEST GRADES and Unlimited Selection We Are Selling at Reductions Unprecedented! See Our Announcement IN SUNDAY PAPERS

SIXTH-STREET BUILDING Purchase Groceries Here FOR THAT CAMPING TRIP Today's Specials! ROYAL BANQUET FLOUR—Increasing sales testify to the superior quality of this brand. Special sack, \$1.29

Monthly Tea Sale Begins Today! LASTING THREE DAYS In order to further introduce our high-grade bulk Teas we are inaugurating a three-day sale of Teas for each month.

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Trout Lake Hay Crop Big WHITE SALMON, Wash, July 15.—(Special.)—The Trout Lake Valley, 25 miles from here, is harvesting the largest crop of hay in the history of that section.

CHATEAU LAKE LOUISE Mrs. Victoria & White Nature Gave the Scenery—The Canadian-Pacific—Comfort First, by building the world's greatest transportation system—the Canadian-Pacific—right through the heart of the Canadian Rockies where the magnificent scenery

Fifty Switzerlands in One may be enjoyed without changing trains or making side trips. Second, by building luxurious hotels in the most beautiful spots, Banff, Lake Louise, Field, Glacier, Banff, where in the intervals of mountain climbing, horseback riding, one may enjoy the sulphur water swimming pools, golf, boating and fishing.

SPRINKLING RULE ON

With Reduction of Days Increased Time Allowed.

HONOR PLAN IS ADOPTED

Even Days for Even Numbers New System Which Is Expected to Overcome Shortage and Public Obedience Is Urged.

Without any particular ceremony the new Portland sprinkling rules were put in force yesterday. Until the end of the present Summer season those living in houses with even numbers will be expected to sprinkle their lawns only on even dates of the month, while the residents of odd-numbered houses will be requested to restrict their sprinkling to odd dates.

The sprinkling hours have been extended to include between 5 and 8 in the morning and 5 P. M. and midnight. Previously residents were not allowed to sprinkle their lawns after 9 o'clock at night.

In addition, it was announced yesterday that the keepers of schoolhouses and other public buildings would be allowed to use water on the public lawns from 5 A. M. to 5 P. M., inclusive. This arrangement is made in order to relieve the big load that is put upon the water mains between the hours of 5 and 9 A. M. Water officials say that few people water their lawns in the mornings.

"In making this ruling we are simply placing the people on their honor to adhere to it," said L. S. Kaiser, superintendent of the city water department yesterday. "If we can get one-fourth of the residents on the east side of the river to sprinkle on alternate days, the object of the ruling will be accomplished."

Should there be any trouble attached to it, we may not resort to such strenuous means as shutting off the water supply or causing arrests. There is a danger against the waste of water. Whether or not every individual violation of the new rule might be construed under that law is yet, perhaps, a debatable question.

"But we have other resorts that we can put into effect. In some cities during emergency times, residents are not allowed to use patent sprinklers, but must do all of their sprinkling with hand sprinklers. It has been found that people will not use anywhere near so much water when they have to hold the nozzle."

"Personally, I believe residents will be broad-minded enough to co-operate with us to the extent of complying with the new rule. Their neighbors are apt to criticize them if they don't. The present emergency demands that something be done to alleviate the shortage of water. Up to date for the present season over 14,000 applications for sprinkling have been made, and perhaps at least another thousand will apply for water before the remaining six weeks of the Summer season are over. Last year for the whole year less than 12,000 applications were made. A few years ago the condition became so bad that we had to call a halt to sprinkling all over the city. Then it was

necessary to send men out in taxicabs to see that the law was not violated."

"THE SPOILERS" RETURN

Alaska Story in Film Form at Heilig Again by Request.

Rex Beach's stirring tale of the north, "The Spoilers," is again at the Heilig Theater, Broadway and Taylor streets, by popular request. The scenes in the stupendous production are a triumph in photography. The characters, some of the best-known ones in the motion picture world, include Katherine Williams, Bessie Eytan and William Farnum.

PERSONAL MENTION.

F. C. Pate, of Albany, is at the Seward. A. E. Adams, of Woodburn, is at the Eaton. S. R. Smith, of Seattle, is at the Cornelius. Roy T. Bishop, of Pendleton, is at the Oregon. Mrs. S. C. Wall, of Salem, is at the Seward. Henry E. Rice, of Rainier, is at the Seward. J. A. Harris, of Tillamook, is at the Imperial. O. L. Wall, of La Grande, is at the Imperial. G. Y. Edwards, of Corvallis, is at the Imperial. C. W. Hedges, of Spokane, is at the Eaton. Miss S. E. Bratton, of Lebanon, is at the Eaton. E. H. Joseph, of Astoria, is at the Multnomah. J. E. McCormac, of Berkeley, Cal., is at the Carlton. W. H. McDermott, of Cottage Grove, is at the Imperial. Charles H. Knight, of San Francisco, is at the Oregon. G. S. Wolferton, of Calgary, Canada, is at the Oregon. George Rothwell, of Raymond, Wash., is at the Eaton. Mrs. T. M. Wright, of Moscow, Idaho, is at the Oregon. F. Klivenhusen, of Bremen, Germany, is at the Multnomah. Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hill, of Fresno, Cal., are at the Carlton. Mr. and Mrs. R. Pearce, of Spokane, are at the Washington. Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, of Los Angeles, is at the Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Baker, of Caldwell, Idaho, are at the Carlton. Colin C. Camplin, of Goldendale, Wash., is at the Cornelius. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Derby, of McMinnville, are at the Washington. C. C. Kelly, of the State Highway Commission, is at the Eaton. Mr. and Mrs. William Eastman are registered at the Washington. Leo F. Brune and Joe Becker, of Grand Dalles, Wash., are at the Seward. George Bunn and Mrs. Bunn, with E. D. Potter, all of Boise, Idaho, are at the Multnomah. Ed G. White, of Ottawa, is at the Imperial. He is to be one of the competitors in the big shoot here. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Peede, of New York, representing "Omar the Tentmaker" theatrical company, are at the Multnomah. CHICAGO, July 19.—(Special.)—I. E. Daly, of Portland, Or., is registered at the Congress Hotel.

VANCOUVER MAN SUPPERS AS BOY AFTER SIEGE OF RHEUMATISM

G. R. Gallant Gives Credit to Akoz for Speedy Recovery.

G. R. Gallant, retired, of Vancouver, Wash., who has been a great sufferer from rheumatism, found relief with pleasing promptness by using Akoz. The new California mineral remedy, although he was badly crippled before trying Akoz, the remarkable mineral that is proving such a formidable rival of radium, soon relieved him.

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