

BALKY AUTO MOTOR BLAMED FOR CRASH

Death of Shaver Brothers
Traced to Stalled Car.

RACE WITH TRAIN DENIED

Eye Witnesses Say Car Halted as
It to Let Electric Pass and
Then Leaped Ahead.

A balky automobile engine and not a mad impulse to beat an on-rushing electric train over a crossing was the immediate cause of the death Wednesday of Captain J. W. Shaver and his brother, Lincoln Shaver. This was the opinion expressed yesterday by C. W. Martin, assistant superintendent of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon.

According to the railroad official, the behavior of the car just before the accident at the foot of Nebraska street indicated that the engine was "cold" and not in good working order. Disinterested eye witnesses stated that the car had halted temporarily as if to allow the train to pass; then, after Lincoln Shaver had shifted gears, had started forward with a peculiar, jerky motion. The car, according to other eye witnesses, had stood unattended in the cold for several hours before the brothers entered and started on their death drive.

Train Evidently Not Seen.

"There is every indication that the two men did not see the approaching train," said Mr. Martin. "The automobile engine was cold. Mr. Shaver had more or less trouble in starting the engine and the fact that he stopped, shifted gears and then started out again with the peculiar, jerky motion would indicate that he and his brother were so engrossed in the handling of the automobile that they did not see the approaching train."

According to Mr. Martin, the speed of the train, given at 40 miles an hour, was overestimated. "Trains pass along that particular stretch of track near where the accident occurred 'under control,'" he said. According to the official, the motorman on the electric succeeded in bringing his train of six cars to a halt in 482 feet, a distance considered reasonable by railroad men.

Speed Estimate Discounted.

"Forty-five miles an hour is an excessive estimate," stated Mr. Martin. "Our trains all make good time along that track, but are always under control."

Railroad officials have not yet completed their investigation of the accident and until they do, will not be able to make any formal statement of the responsibility. Neither H. N. Mooney, the motorman, nor E. M. Henfro, the conductor, would make any public statement until the investigation is completed.

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday no official action has been taken in the case by state county or railroad officials. An inquest will be held at the courthouse at 8:30 o'clock tonight by Coroner Smith.

State Investigates Accident.

Fred A. Rasch, examiner for the state public service commission, said yesterday that he had not sufficient vital information to lead him to recommend that a formal hearing be held. Mr. Rasch thoroughly went over the scene of the accident and took measurements of the distance traveled by the train from the point of collision to the point where the train was stopped. He said that it was entirely possible that a train going not more than 20 miles an hour could not be stopped in less distance than that required by Mooney to bring his string of six heavy coaches to a full halt.

According to Mr. Rasch, had the motorman jammed on the air brakes suddenly, the train would have skidded along the rails and traveled farther than if the air had been applied gradually.

Train Stopped Violently.

That the train was stopped with considerable violence was evidenced by the statements of homecoming Oregon Agricultural college students who filled the six cars of the special. The majority of the passengers were thrown violently from their seats by the abrupt appliance of the brakes.

"In keeping with the custom of the company," said Mr. Martin, "we will hold a formal investigation of the accident and invite citizens to attend. Until such hearing, at which the responsibility for the accident will be settled, we can make no further comment on the case."

The funeral of the victims will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, from Finley's chapel. Rev. W. G. Elliot Jr. and Dr. T. L. Elliot will officiate. Concluding services will be held at the Portland crematorium.

61 BOYS IN PENITENTIARY

Three Under Age of 16 Years Are
Held in State Prison.

BOISE, Idaho, Nov. 30.—There are 61 boys in the Idaho state penitentiary under the age of 21 years, and three of them are under 16 years of age, while 54 of the inmates of that institution are between the ages of 21 and 26. These facts have been brought out in an investigation of the records of the prison. The investigation was made in connection with the application for pardon made by Harry Orchard, murderer.

There is a movement under way to induce the next legislature to provide forms of industry for the inmates of the prison. Most of their time is spent in idleness. An effort will also be made to have the prisoners under age removed to a corrective institution.

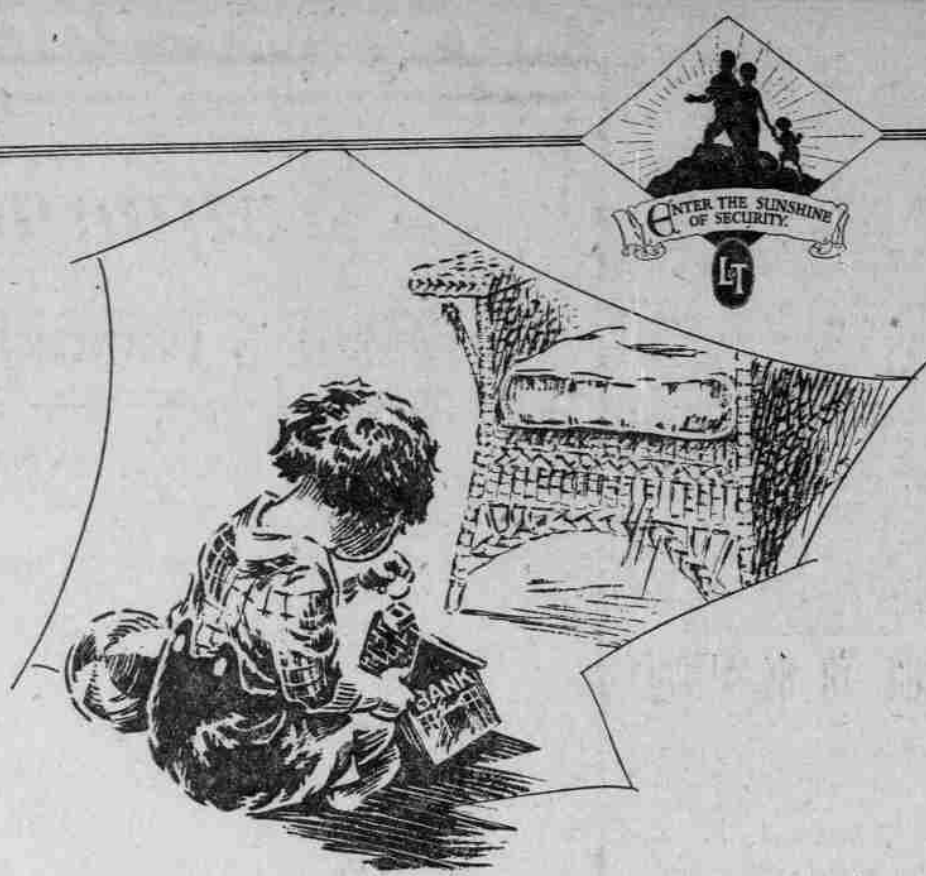
MEMORIAL IS PLANNED

Washington Historical Society to
Erect Monument.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Under the auspices of the Washington State Historical society the old military road over which the first immigrant train from Fort Walla, Walla, reached the sound country in 1854 will be marked by a granite monument Saturday afternoon.

The granite pile, a stone six feet square at the base and nine feet tall, is to be placed at the intersection of the Mountain road and the old military road about two miles east of Spanaway, near Tacoma. A programme fitting for the occasion has been prepared.

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VANCOUVER VOTERS KEEN

RUMORS OF "STICKER" TICKET
HEARD IN CITY.

Agitation Expected to Draw Out
Heavier Vote Than Was
Expected Tomorrow.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Rumors of a "sticker" ticket in the city election next Saturday are likely to bring out a larger vote than would otherwise be the case. The republican ticket for municipal offices is unopposed, and as there is little interest in the other two elections to be held on the same day, an extremely light vote has been predicted. It has been reported that a group of candidates has planned to "raid" the polls, taking advantage of the light vote to win the election over the regular candidates. No candidates have filed for post-communism, and the voters must write their choice on the ballots. W. F. Edwards, whose successor will be named in the election, has not sought re-election. In the school election W. E. Carter, incumbent, and Harry Porter are out for two seats on the school board. N. E. Allen, one of the school directors whose term expires, is the republican candidate for mayor, so declared to run again for director. Three of the present members of the board hold over.

IRISH REBELS SCORED

Centralia Priest Declares That
De Valera Is Foolish.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Rev. Francis Jones, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, just back from a six months' trip through Europe, and speaking yesterday at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis club, declared the trouble in Ireland is that a few are trying to overcome the will of the majority. The priest expressed the belief that De Valera "is a fool" and that within six months the strife in Ireland will be over and the republicans a thing of the past.

Nob Hill Climate

Ideal for Flowers

"Oh, Mrs. Jones, what beautiful chrysanthemums you are wearing. Did you raise them?" "Oh, no, I didn't. Mrs. Keith raised them. She lives near Nob Hill and has a beautiful garden. She wants me a beautiful bouquet of mine and I picked out a few of these to wear with my suit."

"Well, they certainly are lovely and they harmonize so well with your dress. By the way, have I seen that new hat before?" "Oh, no, I just got it, and a new dress, too, at Cherry's, 343 Morrison street."

"Cherry's! I don't believe I know what you mean." "Oh, my dear, you don't know what you've missed. Not know Cherry's. They have that wonderful little store on the second floor, where one may get the most satisfactory dresses, coats, etc., reasonably priced. And the very best thing about it for me is that one may buy on credit. They allow one to make the most satisfactory arrangements for payments, six months if necessary. One may wear the garments while paying for them."—Adv.

Bazaar Opens Tonight

Ladies of Elks Club Sponsors
Christmas Tree Aid.

Useful articles of all kinds, many appropriate to the holiday season, will be on display tonight at the Elks' temple when the ladies of the Elks' club open their bazaar for a two nights' run. The proceeds will be given to the committee having in charge the Elks' municipal Christmas tree for the poor children of Portland. This event is a yearly one with Portland Elks and the women members of the club have taken this means of helping along the work.



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