

# AUTO RUNS OVER BRINK OF GULCH

## Prominent Women Miraculously Saved When Machine Lodges Against Tree.

### GEAR GETS OUT OF ORDER

Mrs. L. W. Sitton and Daughter, Miss Helen F. Spalding and Mrs. Gale Are Occupants of the Car.

An automobile containing four women and a chauffeur met with a most amazing accident yesterday afternoon and its occupants enjoyed a miraculous escape from death, sustaining merely a few bruises, scratches and torn places in their clothing. The automobile contained a pleasure party of prominent society women made up of Mrs. L. W. Sitton, president of the Baby Home and a member of the Board of Education, who resides at 423 Yamhill street, her daughter, and their two guests, Miss Helen F. Spalding and Mrs. Gale. It was



Mrs. L. W. Sitton, Who Narrowly Escaped Death in an Automobile Accident.

libred from the Central Stables on Washington street and was driven by Herbert Cook.

### Machine Plunges Down Gulch.

At the invitation of Mrs. Sitton the party had left the city about 4 o'clock with the intention of making a trip to Oregon City and return. The trip was brought to an abrupt and startling end at 4:30 o'clock at the foot of a steep hill about six miles from this city and about one mile from Oswego, where the machine left the road and plunged down a steep embankment leading to a gulch 100 feet below.

The lives of all were saved there is no doubt by the fact that in the path of the runaway machine two stately trees protruded their strength and bulk. By these two trees the fatal descent of the car was arrested. Turned upside down and shaken until their heads ached, the occupants of the car were found a few minutes later by another automobile party returning to the city.

### Rescued by Human Chain.

Cook, the chauffeur, was distracted and unable to extricate the ladies from within the automobile, where they were pinned. The machine was covered with a solid limousine top and to this fact may be attributed another cause which prevented loss of life.

It was no easy task to extricate those in the car, as the incline of the hill was very steep. The rescuing party linked hands at the roadway, the last one anchoring to a small tree, and extended in single file down the hill. With their assistance the liberated prisoners were enabled to reach safety again.

### Steering Gear Broken.

When the runaway automobile left the roadway it skidded instead of turning turtle. This is accounted for by the solid top. The place where the accident happened is at the foot of a long, winding, steep hill, and just where the road makes a sudden curve. Just how the vehicle left the roadway is not definitely known, but from admissions made by Chauffeur Cook it is believed that the steering gear got caught in a broken spring. That he knew this spring was broken and that his employers also knew it was broken before he left the stables did not consider it dangerous was also admitted by the party whose lives he had endangered.

### Women Wedged Tightly Together.

When the four imperiled women had regained their composure the rescuers very hospitably conveyed them to the depot at Oswego, where they took the train back to this city. Aside from the shock none of the four sustained injuries requiring the services of a physician and they and their friends congratulated each other on the good fortune of their escape.

### Chauffeur Gets Wrenched Elbow.

"How in the world they managed to escape death I can not imagine," said one of the women of the rescuing party. "If you could only see the place. It is almost a precipice. They were brave women and while I won't offer any comment on the fact that the automobile was allowed to go out in a dangerous condition, I must say that the chauffeur did all in his power to assist his passengers. How he managed to escape death on the outside and without the protection of the strong body of the car is more than any of us could understand."

Chauffeur Cook was the only one in the party receiving painful injuries. His right elbow was badly wrenched, but with this exception he escaped with a whole skin. The wrecked machine is a big 40-horse-power Stoddard-Dayton, valued at \$4000. Its owners say that it will be in use again after a thorough overhauling. They visited the scene of the accident last evening and finding the embankment too steep to en-

able them to pull out their damaged car, they stripped it of such articles as might be stolen by passersby and left it. It will be removed today.

### FILMS OF ROSE PARADES

Moving Pageants Will Be Exhibited Throughout the Country.

Portland's Rose Festival parades are destined to take position in most of the moving picture shows of the country among the leading features. A Seattle trading firm arranged with a big manufacturing concern in the East that supplies hundreds of shows with films, to bring out the necessary photographing outfit and take the fleet in Puget Sound. This firm communicated with the Rose Festival Association, making an offer to bring the apparatus here and make films of the parades. The association replied that no funds were in hand for that or any other purpose except the payment of accounts already contracted. When George L. Baker was informed of the offer he came to the front and agreed to pay the \$500 required, reserving the right to handle the films in Oregon and Washington. In addition to the views taken of the day parades, there is one of the interior of the Oriental building at the fair grounds showing the crowds in motion during the Rose show.

It is the intention of the manufacturer to take the outfit to Alaska and take pictures of the rugged coast and, if possible, seal and walrus herds. These films will be exhibited in every large city of the country and most of the towns, for, as above mentioned, the firm making the films supplies many hundreds of these points with their views.

### HAVE CARD UP SLEEVE.

Evidences of Oakland Robbery Found on Portland Burglar.

When Jack Lund, burglar of strong nerve, who some days since nonchalantly robbed the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cullen, 432 Morrison street, in broad daylight and while the mistress of the house was at home, is brought to trial for the offense with which he is charged, he will no doubt be surprised at the card which Detective Smith, of Chief Grizmach's plain clothes staff is holding up his sleeve for him. Lund would give no information regarding himself other than that he had been in this city but a few days and hailed from San Francisco. Beside the \$500 worth of loot which had been taken from the Cullen residence, other jewelry and clothing were found in his possession which evidently did not belong to him. All marks and possible traces had been obliterated by the cunning thief except on one pair of trousers, the buttons of which gave the name of Schelling, a tailor in Oakland, Cal. Correspondence with Mr. Schelling quickly developed the fact that on May 14 the house of Paul Daniels, of the People's Water Company, who resides at 122 Franklin street, Oakland, had been robbed. A description of all the articles taken was sent Detective Smith, who found that he also had recovered all the things stolen in the Oakland robbery, which were valued at several hundred dollars. Arrangements are now being made to send these articles back to their rightful owners, and the detective has additional evidence against Lund, who has laid claim all along to being an innocent victim of circumstances.

### VESUVIUS IS NOW EXTINGUISHED

Volcano Erupts for Last Time on Multnomah Field.

Pain's spectacle, "Vesuvius," which opened at Multnomah Field Saturday, May 30, closed a successful week's engagement last night. Large audiences have been the rule throughout the production, but last night's crowd probably exceeded any previous attendance, there being no less than 700 spectators. The big new grandstand was filled to overflowing and many who could not be accommodated there stationed themselves at points of vantage along the hillside. The closing performance was entirely successful and the display of fireworks was excellent. The spectators applauded the production liberally throughout the week's engagement.

### Says He Is Not Brother to the Governor

Dr. Buchtel, of Denver, Declares It Is the Other Way Around, and That the Chief Executive of Colorado Is a Brother to Him.

"No, I'm not a brother to the Governor; he's a brother to me. We're both doctors, he of souls and politics and I of this frail tenement of clay," that was the breezy manner in which Dr. J. H. Buchtel, of Denver, introduced himself to a reporter last night at the Portland, after the reporter had mistaken him for Colorado's partisan Governor. Dr. Buchtel is one of the most prominent physicians of Denver and a resident of that city for 36 years. Accompanied by Mrs. Buchtel, he is on his way to Alaska and stopped over here for the Rose Festival.

"Yes, my brother seems to be making a very good Governor. He ought to be. Any man who has been a ringmaster in the Methodist Church for thirty odd years and ringmaster of a university for a good while should be a Governor for the worst, even a Governor."

"But I'd rather talk about Denver's new convention hall. It's the finest thing of its kind in the country. It will be ready in two weeks. It is a handsome building and big as all outdoors. It will seat 12,000 to 14,000 people. We're very proud of it and when the Democrats come to open it with their National convention they will certainly receive an agreeable shock." The Doctor said some complimentary things about Portland and the Rose Festival, and seemed highly pleased with what he has seen of the Pacific Northwest.

### JUNE SALE

Of Ladies' tailor-made Suits, Waists, Skirts, etc., begins Monday at Le Palais Royal, 275 Washington street.

Arts and Crafts Summer School. Arts and Crafts Summer term. June 22 to July 22. Design, metal work, pottery, leather and stenciling. Arts and Crafts Shop, 446 Washington street.

### CHAP OF THANKS.

We sincerely thank our many friends for their sympathy and kindness tendered us in our late bereavement, in the death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Margaret H. Singleton. A. M. SINGLETON, EDITH FRIEDMAN.

# The Meier & Frank Store ANNUAL "JUNE WHITE DAYS"



## Every White Article Greatly Reduced.

### ATTACKS ENGINEER TAYLOR

#### I. LANG RESENTS ATTITUDE ON HEIGHTS BOULEVARD.

Street Committee, However, Refers Proposed System to Taylor Himself for a Report.

Before the street committee of the City Council Friday afternoon, I. Lang, a prominent merchant and member of the City Park Board, charged City Engineer Taylor with being non-progressive and opposed to civic improvement. Despite the stinging words of Mr. Lang, the committee, however, promptly referred to Mr. Taylor for a report of the very matter under consideration, which was the proposed boulevard and park system for Portland Heights.

Mr. Lang is an enthusiast on the subject of a boulevard system for the Heights, especially for an 89-foot drive on Vista avenue, with a park on the east side, overlooking the city, from which can be seen the mountains and rivers—one of the most beautiful and inspiring views in the West. This plan was furnished by Olmsted Brothers, the well-known landscape artists, and Mr. Lang was angry with Mr. Taylor for submitting a modification.

When the matter came up for action before the street committee yesterday afternoon, Mr. Lang, in a lengthy speech, attacked the City Engineer in a savage manner, saying that Mr. Taylor is opposed to civic improvements in general. This was in the absence of the accused. When Mr. Taylor came in, he was consulted by the members of the committee and the entire matter left to him for a report. Mr. Lang told the members of the committee that he had found no opposition to the proposed improvement among res-

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Bacon and son Stanley, of Walla Walla, formerly of Portland, are here for the Rose Festival. They will remain for about a month visiting relatives at 492 North Twenty-third street.

R. Bayard Cutting, of New York, member of the family of bankers of that name, is a guest at the Portland. Mr. Cutting is returning from a visit to Oakland, Cal., where the American Beet Sugar Company, of which he is a director, has large interests.

Dr. W. H. Heppa, pastor of Grace Methodist Church, who went East to attend the Methodist General Conference, is visiting his parents at Muscatine, Ia. Dr. Heppa occupied the pulpit of the First Methodist Church of that place on Sunday, May 31. He will deliver the annual sermon at the Iowa Wesleyan University, at Mount Pleasant, this morning. Dr. Heppa will return to Portland June 17.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 6.—(Special.)—The following from the Pacific Northwest registered at Chicago hotels today: From Ashland, Or.—H. W. Huntsinger and wife, at the Auditorium.

### BANKRUPT SALE.

The entire bankrupt stock of the J. M. Acheson Co. goes on sale tomorrow (Monday) and the coming week, to close out and wind up the store. Fixtures for sale—by single piece or in lot or bulk. The J. M. Acheson Co. failed in the height of the season and the elegant new stock of suits, coats, skirts, gowns, petticoats, hosiery, waists and furnishing goods will be immediately closed out—now in season just when goods are needed. Store open Monday at 8:30 A. M. Dance Council Crest, Sunday night.

### RECORD TRAFFIC ON CARS

#### CITY LINES THURSDAY CARRIED 346,000 PEOPLE.

During Five Days of Rose Festival, 1,318,900 People Rode on Streetcars in Portland.

Travel on Portland streetcars Thursday broke all records of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. The number of passengers carried on the city lines and Oregon Water Power division on Thursday amounted to a total of 346,000, the biggest number ever carried in any one day by the company. The biggest previous day was July 4, 1907, when 308,000 people boarded the trolley cars of the city. The preceding Fourth of July made a good showing, for on that day 206,600 passengers were carried.

Portland Day at the Lewis and Clark Fair had the record for some time. The date was September 20, 1905, and on that day 295,000 people were carried by the city streetcar lines, July 4, 1905, was not a bad day, for conductors on the Portland cars pulled the bell-rope that rings up the fares 211,000 times that day.

During the past week, travel has been very heavy on the city lines on account of the great number of outside people in the city and because of the many sights of the Festival that attracted residents of Portland to various parts of town. Particularly did the big parades attract the people to downtown streets and swell the receipts of the trolley company. An idea may be gained of the great success the Rose Festival has been by the figures made up by the company. They show that the following total number of cash fares, tickets and transfers have been

### SAVED IN NICK OF TIME

#### CHINESE WOMAN AND BABIES HAVE THRILLING ESCAPE.

Prostrate She Awaits Death Under Wheels of Approaching Car Which Stops Within Few Inches.

Pedestrians in the vicinity of Third and Washington streets yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock were witnesses to a remarkable escape from death by a Chinese woman carrying two babies, who, in crossing the street, slipped and fell directly in front of a moving car. The woman emitted an agonized scream as her eyes were transfixed on the oncoming car, which at best was only a few feet away. Her face presented a pitiable picture, as with a babe in each arm her features froze into a mixture of terror and resignation to impending death.

### REV. R. R. MEDBURY DEAD

#### Ex-Pastor of First Baptist Church of Portland.

Word has been received here of the death of Rev. Donald Rhodes Medbury at Jenkintown, Pa., at the age of 70 years. The older residents of the city will be interested, for Rev. Medbury was pastor of the First Baptist Church, at the corner of Fourth and Alder streets, from May, 1872, to August, 1874. From here, Rev. Medbury went to Milwaukee, Wis., later returning to Oregon, where he was pastor of the First Baptist Church at Salem. Of late years he has lived at Jenkintown. Dance Council Crest, Sunday night.

### RECORD TRAFFIC ON CARS

#### CITY LINES THURSDAY CARRIED 346,000 PEOPLE.

During Five Days of Rose Festival, 1,318,900 People Rode on Streetcars in Portland.

Travel on Portland streetcars Thursday broke all records of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. The number of passengers carried on the city lines and Oregon Water Power division on Thursday amounted to a total of 346,000, the biggest number ever carried in any one day by the company. The biggest previous day was July 4, 1907, when 308,000 people boarded the trolley cars of the city. The preceding Fourth of July made a good showing, for on that day 206,600 passengers were carried.

Portland Day at the Lewis and Clark Fair had the record for some time. The date was September 20, 1905, and on that day 295,000 people were carried by the city streetcar lines, July 4, 1905, was not a bad day, for conductors on the Portland cars pulled the bell-rope that rings up the fares 211,000 times that day.

During the past week, travel has been very heavy on the city lines on account of the great number of outside people in the city and because of the many sights of the Festival that attracted residents of Portland to various parts of town. Particularly did the big parades attract the people to downtown streets and swell the receipts of the trolley company. An idea may be gained of the great success the Rose Festival has been by the figures made up by the company. They show that the following total number of cash fares, tickets and transfers have been