

Oregontan.

Pages 1to12

VOL. XXVIII.-NO. 47.

PORTLAND, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 21, 1909.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

STEAMER BURNED: PASSENGERS SAFE

Flames Burst Out on St. Croix Off Coast.

ALL ON BOARD REACH SHORE

Panic Averted With Difficulty by Cool Officers.

VESSEL ROARING FURNACE

As Last Boat Leaves, Flames Wrap All Sides-Passengers and Crew Encamped in Canyon Till Help Arrives.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 20 .- The passenger steamer St Croix, of the North Pacific Steamship Company, burned to the water's edge tonight at a point three miles off Point Duma and 18 miles north of Santa Monica and the lives of the \$2 passengers aboard and those of the crow of 36 were saved by the heroic action of the officers and crew, and the fact that the sea was calm at the time of the disaster.

All of those on board escaped on Hifeboats and rafts, and were safely landed at Point Duma on a little beach. They are camped tonight in the Zuni canyon back of the point.

Difficulty in Saving Lives.

The fire started in the second cabin white dinner was being served, and had made such headway before it was discovered that the greatest difficulty was experienced in launching the boats and liferafts and placing passengers eafely aboard them.

A panic among the passengers was everted by the prompt action of the officers and crew, who gave the passengers no chance to save their personal belongings.

First Officer F. Mill, immediately after the landing of the passengers at Point Duma, made his way overland to Malibu ranch and there secured an automobile and came to Santa Monica, arriving at 11 o'clock tonight and bringing the first authentic information of the landing of the passengers.

Hull Seen Burning Fiercely.

At 6 o'clock, while the huil of the St. Croix was burning firecely, the steamship City of Topeka passed withing a short distance of her, but, being unable to discover any signs of life sheard, proceeded on her course to Redondo and gave out the first report

o'clock this morning bound for San Franelsco direct. She carried no freight and her passenger list of 32 was an exceedingly light one. She was proceeding in good time at the moment the fire was

Ship Is Roaring Furnace.

Its origin is unknown. A member of the crew discovered the flames issuing from the windows and gave the alarm. Much excitement ensued and a panic was imminent when the officers commanded the passengers to go forward and remain on the main deck. Meanwhile the lifeboats and liferafts were lowered and the passengers placed in them. First Officer Mills states that, as the

last boat containing members of the crew left the St. Croix, the flames burst forth from all sides, and the iron hull became a rearing furnace.

Camped in Desolate Canyon.

The passengers, the majority of whom are women, must remain in the desolate Zuni canyon until daylight, when relief, which has been sers from this city, will reach them and arrangements be made for bringing them here.

Ten days ago an explosion took place in the boiler-room of the St. Croix, and Chief Engineer Day was scalded to death. The belief is that an explosion in the engine-room below the second cabin sed the fire of today.

Charles C. Claggett, a traveling sales-(Concluded on Page 4.)

STOPS MARRIAGE CERE-MONY JUST IN TIME.

Judge Is About to Marry Him to Wrong Girl When He Loudly Protests.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 20 .- (Spe cial.)-"Hey, there, stop, stop it, that isn't the woman I want to marry at all. That's her sister. The other one's going to be ny wife.

So shouted Albert Dierick today when Judge E. E. Hardin, of the Whatcom County Superior Court, attempted to tle the nuptial knot with Dierick and Nora Soderbom, as principals. The judge was so startled that his judicial dignity was jolted a heavy setback.

What's that; what's that?" he demanded, "her name is on the license. She must be the one."

"Don't care," said Dierick. "I won't marry her. That's flat enough. Can't make me. either," The mistake happened when Dierick,

Lucy Soderbom, the bride-to-be, and her sister. Nora, went to obtain the license. The whole bridal party was considerably fussed, and the Deputy Recorder had difficulty in separating principals and witness. He finally guessed wrong, and the judge, following the license, had the couple all but married when the groom protested hotly. The mistake was rectified and the ceremony proceeded as originally planned by the contracting parties.

MARSHFIELD MAN MISSING Brakeman With \$90 It Is Feared

May Have Been Killed.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 20 .- (Special.) Harry McDonald, a brakeman on the Southern Pacific, whose run is out of this place, is strangely missing, and the police fear he may have been made away

with When last seen, McDonald had about \$90 in his pockets, which may have led to motives of robbery if, as the police think, he has met with an assault. Several men have been arrested on suspicion of knowing something about his disap-

A report has come in that McDonald was seen working in a logging camp, but little credence is given to this, for he had not been discharged from the employ of the railroad.

"SOCIALIST" SUPPRESSED

Scattle Paper Held to Contain Indecent Matter.

today confiscated an entire edition of the and the main shaft. Hermon F. Titus, on the ground that it contained indecent matter, objection being made to an article by Miss Agnes Thecla who was imprisoned at Spokane for holding street meetings.

The article purported to describe indignities to which prisoners were subjected by the Spokane police. A man who was The St. Croix left San Pedro at 16 2500 ball for circulating forbidden litera-

HAZING IS BORN IN SOME West Point Superintendent Com-

ments on Infraction of Last June.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 .- Some cadets in every class at West Point Military Academy just have it born in them to haze and that is all there is to it. This practically is the conclusion H. I. Scott, superintendent of the academy, has reached after years of experience

The hasing of last June was the only serious infraction of the rules of discipline at the Academy during the year, according to Colonel Scott in a report to the War Department today, and yet that came after years of attempts to suppress it.

BOURNE TO NAME RIDDLE Southern Oregon Man to Get Land

Office Appointment.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 20.-(Special.) -It was learned here tonight that Senator Bourne will recommend the the recond cabin appointment of George W. Riddle, of Riddles, as receiver of the Roseburg Land Office, to succeed J. M. Lawrence, who recently resigned.

WRONGGIRL NEARLY 20, BURIED 7 DAYS, TAKEN OUT ALIVE

Others Entombed in St. Paul Mine May Live.

WATER IS SAVIOR OF SCORE

One Among Living in Cavern Preached, Sang Hymn.

SEARCH FOR DRINK LUCKY

Mule Alive in Depths, Superstition Stopping Its Slaughter-Gloves, Tobacco, Prisoners' Food.

Women Now Hopeful.

CHERRY, Hl., Nov. 20 .- The gamut from deepest despair to a hysteria of hope was run here today when 20 miners entombed in the St. Paul mine for a week, almost to an hour, were

brought to the surface alive.

At midnight a small fire broke out in the mine, cutting off the rescue work. Fire apparatus was lowered and a stream of water turned into the mine. Up to midnight only 20 men have been brought to the surface. The story of their sufferings and the heroism of their resourceful leaders is one of the most thrilling in all the black history of mining disasters.

Tent a Morgue.

Dawn broke with the bearers of stretchers moving from the pit mouth to the tent which served as a morgue with bodies, swollen and scorched almost beyond human semblance. Forty of them had been brought up, and most of them identified, when the marvelous report shot through the pros-trate community: "They've found them They've found them alive!"

All thoughts were of the men who were alive. It took six hours to bring the survivors to the surface. Meanwhile a report spread that 70 or more men were alive in a far reach of the mine, cut off from escape by a bank SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 30.-The police of black damp between their barricade

But two oxygen helmets remained at Fair, an Industrial Worker of the World, two experts began a new exploration. At 9 o'clock P. M. they emerged, their oxygen apparatus being exhausted and reported no further living in that section. The women, with hone born afresh refused to believe anything but the best selling the paper on the street was held in and haunted the mine far into the night, seizing at every straw of encouragement offered.

From the top of the holsting shaft to the sleeping cars drawn up on the sidings was a distance of about 150 feet. Between the crowd, held back by militia, a passageway was formed. It was along this line that the women, looking for loved ones, gazed into the faces of the survivors as they passed through.

Babies Held to Peep.

A woman here and there who could not see, held up a child and cautioned It, 'Look and see if you can see papa when they pass.

The machinery stopped, the cage was up and a dozen torches made a dingy light on its passengers. There stood the rescuers, wearing shiny rubber coats and white caps. Between them, wrapped in military blankets, they held the rescued men, some standing, others carried in arms. Slowly the procession moved. A burst of applause started from the crowd, but a raised hand from the militiamen brought silence.

It was a critical moment. Mothers and wives stretched forth their arms, murmuring, "Billie," or "Frank," or "Oh, Andy, are you there? Speak to me, I am here." The blankets drawn over the neads of the men hid their faces and prevented identification from the crowd. Not receiving a reply, the women tore toward the sleeping cars, imploring and begging anyone to give them good news. Overcome by appeals, a rescuer called out the name of the man he was escort-

(Concluded on Page 10.)

DROUTH, 1910, IS LETTERING ON EGG!

KANSAS PHENOMENON STAR-TLES SUNFLOWER STATE.

Farmer's Wife in Republic County Finds Curiously Marked Egg in Chicken-House.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 20,-(Special.)-The helpful hen, famed in Kansas song and story, is responsible for a "pheno menon" that is stirring the state from the Missouri River to the Colorado border. It is all about an egg that was laid out in Republic County, June 11, or this year.

Early in the forenoon of that day, Mrs. Raiph Fullen, wife of a prosperous farmer, as was her custom, responded to the daily cackle of Biddy, and went out to the chicken-house to gather eggs. Imbedded in the shell of one were ominous characters which spelled out 'Drought, 1911."

There is no doubt about the letters being outlined in the shell, for Mrs. Fullen has had numerous tests made and stands ready to pay \$100 reward to any person who can, with paint or otherwise duplicate the letters on the shell of the

Secretary Coburn wrote a letter request. ing the egg, and it is now on exhibition in the State Agricultural Department.

INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

The Weather.

YESTERDAY'S Maximum temperature, 58 degrees; minimum, 44 degrees.
TODAY'S Cloudy and probably showers; light southwest wind. Domestic.

Steamship St. Croix burns to water's edge off Point Duma; 135 reported lost. Settion 1, page 1. Pennsylvania and New York Central systems prepare for titanic struggle. Section page.

Submerged wreck thought to be Colone Astor's missing yacht. Section 1. page 2 Eusapia Palladino's Scances in New York disappoint scientists. Section 1 page 5. Federation of Labor unanimously re-el Samuel Gompers. Section 1, page 4. Federal Circuit Court orders dissolution of Standard Oil Company. Section 1, page 1 Sport.

intercollegiate championship is kicked back to Yale, Harvard losing 8 to 0. Section 2, page 2.

Michigan defeats Minnesota in fast gridiron contest, 15 to 8. Section 2, page 2.

Interscholastic football season most succeasful in Portland's history. Section 2, page 2.

McCredie believes Spokane only nate who would stick in baseball Walter McCredie believes Spokane only
magnate who would stick in baseball
war. Section 2, page 2.
Bids for Jeffries-Johnson fight to be opened
next week Section 4, page 6.
Multnomah toam will play Oregon "Aggles"
here Thansgiving day. Section 4, page 4.
Chemawa Indiana defeat Hill Military Academy on gridinon, 11 to 5. Section 3,
page 2.
Pacific Northwest.

Pacific Northwest. Huge Alaskan coal trust object of Cuaning ham claimants shown at inquiry. Section 1, page 6. High water in Santlam carries out bridge pler. Section 1, page 6.
Prosecution delays Ryan murder trial. Section 1, page 6.
Grand by:

erand jury indicts still more in Lewiston

page 7.

Congressman Hawley promises to clear out Clackamas Rapids and give Oragon City Foderal building. Section 1, page 7.

Rogue River Splizenbergs take first price at SEpokane apple show. Section — page — Walla Walla ticket agent is accused of defrauding relirond. Section 1, page 5.

Otts Hamilton by new move may delay trial for months. Section 1, page 16. Oregon and Washington Lumber Manufac Grove. Section 1, page 4.

Commercial and Marine. Heavy buying for London checks decline in hops. Section I, page 11. Wheat closes easier at Chicago. Section 3,

page 16.
andard Oil decision leads to selling of stocks. Section 3, page 11. Small changes shown in New York bank statement. Section 3, page 11. section 3, page 11.
section published and bids asked for on repairs to dredge Chinock Section 3.

Portland and Vicinity. huge shakeup of police, Captain Moore re-lieves Bary as head of detectives. Section 2 page 12 arriman lines manager denies boycott of Portland; three firms only under ban. Sec-tion 1, page 8.

tion 1, page 8.

'Joy ride' chauffeur acquitted of charge of larceny. Section 1, page 8.

Orders to atudy issued to National Guard officers. Section 2, page 12.

 page 5.
 meral Manager O'Brien, of 8. P. tells push club committee railway will remain neutral in Broadway bridge controversy.
 Section 1, page 8. Ordinance calling for chesp lamp-posts on East Side velocd by Mayor Section 3, page 12.

riland youth falls to identify Port Defiance suicide as his father. Section I, page 7. rtland auto show in January pro-be a winner. Section 4, page 5.

in strikes match, filling lamp, plodes, he is horribly burned. S

DECLARED OUTLAW

Dissolution Ordered by Federal Court.

GOVERNMENT WINS VICTORY

Dividends to Parent Company Restrained.

EVASION

Contention That Combination Was Beneficent One Swept Aside. Case Will Be Appealed Direct to Washington.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 20. - In an opinion written by Judge Walter H. Sanborn, of St. Paul, and concurred it by Judges Vandeventer, Hook and Adams, with a special concurring opinion by Judge Hook, the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Missouri today handed down an opinion declaring the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey an Illegal combination operating in restraint of trade and ordered its dissolution.

The opinion was filed simultaneously in St. Louis and in St. Paul.

Government's Victory Sweeping.

In this decision the Government of the United States gains a sweeping vic-According to Frank B. Kellogg, special prosecutor, the Government has won every point for which it contended.

The decree filed by Judge Sanborn is comprehensive and enjoins the Standard Company, its directors, officers, agents, servants and employes from voting any stock in any of the subsidiary companies, and from exercising or attempting to exercise any control over the acts of these subsidiary com-

The subsidiary companies are enjoined from declaring or paying any dividends to the Standard Company and from permitting the latter company to vote any stock in, or direct the policy of the subsidiary companies.

But the defendants are not prohibited from distributing rateably to the shareholders of the principal company the shares to which they are equitably entitled in the stocks of the defendant corporations that are parties to the combination.

Further Combination Prohibited.

The defendants are enjoined from ontinuing or carrying into further effect the combination adjudged to be illegal and from entering into any like combination, the effect of which is to restrain commerce in petroleum or to prolong the unlawful monopoly.

The case will be appealed direct to the Supreme Court of the United States. the judges who signed the decree are in effect the judges of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, although they were sitting for the purpose of trying this case as the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Missouri.

The decree becomes effective in 30 days, when no doubt a stay will be granted for the purpose of an appeal. When the decree takes effect, unless HOQUIAM GETS MEETING a stay is granted, an injunction will issue restraining the Standard Oil Company from a further continuance of its business under its present forma-

Evasion Provided Against

It appears from the concurring opinion written by Judge Hook that the company cannot do business under any other form with the object of stifling competition. He says on this subject that it is thought that with the end of the combination, the monopoly will naturally disappear, but should it not do so and the members of the combination retire from it, except one who might perpetuate the monopoly by the aggregation of the physical properties and instrumentalities, it would consti-(Concluded on Page 2.)

TAFT IS URGED TO RETAIN BIG STICK

LOGGING OF LATING CALLED DUTY TO UNIVERSE.

No Two Opinions, Says London Review, Concerning Necessity for Discipline Near Isthmus.

LONDON, Nov. 20 .- (Special.)-Noth ng could be more agreeable to Europe so far as Central American affairs are concerned, than such a turn of events on the Nicaraguan coast as would give Washington good grounds for drastic action.

"It is to be boped," says the London Review, "that Mr. Roosevelt did not take the 'big stick' with him to Africa, and that President Taft knows where to lay his hand on it.

"There may be two opinions as to the expediency of wielding it in internal concerns, such as corporation aggressiveness, like the Standard Oil, and corporation iniquity, like the American Sugar. That is for the Washington Administration to say,

"But if the United States is to enforce the Monroe doctrine and maintain the hegemony of the western world, the plainest of plain duties to the rest of the Universe requires that the brawling Latin states near the Isthmus be flogged into some sense of discipline."

CUPID CHEATS PRISON CELL

Friend Agrees to Wed Girl to Save Her From Disgrace.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 20 .-Special.)-In order to save Lena Sarlun from the penitentiary and to give her a home, protection and a name unstained by crime, Herbert Daniels, a friend of the girl, today obtained permission from the Prosecuting Attorney to marry her, and after the ceremony she was released from jail, where she was held on a charge of forgery. The girl, who is only 17, was

rested for attempting to pass three shecks which she had stolen from the mail and the indorsement of which she had forged. She asserted that she had contracted debts and that collection agents had hounded her to desperation. A felony charge was laid against her but her friends pleaded so hard for her release that Daniel's offer to marry her was the finishing stroke with the Prosecutor, and the case against her was dismissed.

The peculiar ceremony was performed with deputy sheriffs as witnesses and the Judge who was to have tried her as the officiating justice.

SURVEYORS COMING NORTH Hill Crew Believed to Be Seeking civilized world. In preparing the New Junction With Western Pacific.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 20 .-Special.)-A crew of surveyors arrived here from the north today and left for Portland, taking with them a complete toring the present track and roadbed. surveying and camp outfit which had been used in their work in Central Ore-

These surveyors admitted that they have been working in the interests of J. J. Hill, who contemplates extending a line down through Oregon to tap the Western Pacific in Northern California. The cold weather and heavy snow in the mountains drove the surveyors out of the Oregon country, so they expect now to be ordered into California, where work can be done this Winter. The head of the party frankly stat-

ed that they were opening the way for a new line through Oregon and California to San Francisco.

State Labor Convention Will Convene on January 11.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Nov. 20 .- (Special.) Pursuant to a call issued by Charles R. Case, president of the Washington State Federation of Labor, that body will hold its ninth annual convention in this city beginning Tuesday, January 11. It is anticipated that no less than 450 delegates will be present from the various locals, and that the session may continue for the larger portion of a week.

It is understood here that the contempt cases against Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, and the recent adverse Mecision by the Court of Appeals of the District of olumbia against these men will be strongly censured.

BAILROAD TITANS ARM FOR BATTLE

Two Great Systems to Fight for Traffic.

MILLIONS SPENT IN CONFLICT

New York Central Jealous of Encroaching Pennsylvania.

OLD MEN ARE WEEDED OUT

Nothing but Young Blood Wanted In Struggle for Supremacy That Amazes Financial World by Prodigality of Expenditure.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20 .- (Special.)-Railroad and financial circles are looking forward to one of the severest struggles for supremacy in railroad history, which is scheduled to begin the moment the Pennsylvania Railroad opens its new \$100,000,000 terminal in the heart of New York City. The conflict is to be between this great system and the New York Central lines, which hope to wrest the traffic supremacy from the system which a Thompson, a Cassatt, a McCrea and their predecessors have made almost a household word throughout the United States.

The New York Central management is being groomed for the fight which seems inevitable and which will in a measure revolutionize the methods in vogue on the Pennsylvania for a generation.

Conservatism Must Go.

This does not mean that the Pennsylvania methods are considered obsolete, but simply that strengous aggressiveness is to take the place of onservatism because conservatism can no longer maintain the supremacy which has been the Pennsylvania's boast for many years. In preparation for the struggle

which both managements have realized s coming, money has been spent with a prodigality which has astounded the financial circles of every center of the York Central to cope with the Pennsylvania more than \$100,000,000 has been expended and the finishing touches are being put on by an expenditure this year of fully \$80,000,000 in additional track facilities and in bet-

Tunnel Part of Battle.

With the same end in view, the management of the Pennsylvania has expended close to \$200,000,000, fully half of which was used in tunneling into the heart of New York, in buying valuable business property, tearing it down, and erecting in its stead one of the finest, if not the finest, passenger station in the world.

Naturally the preparation for such a struggle would extend to every department and every feature of the science of callroading. The effort has been on the part of both managements to secure, first, the very best facilities in the way of track, roadbed, rolling stock, stations, power and terminals that money could buy.

Young Men Replace Old,

Having accomplished this, it was secessary for the owners of both proprties to see that the army of men and officers whose duty it will be to handle these magnificent facilities shall be of the kind that will make the most of them. It was with this struggle in view that Edward H. Harriman, shortly before his death, caused the retfrement of W. H. Newman solely with a view of getting a younger and more energetic man, W. C. Brown, to

take up the reins. Pennsylvania to Weed Out.

In an even greater degree is the official roster of the Pennsylvania to be gone over with the purpose of

