

SPAN FALLS UNDER CARS; 5 DIE IN RIVER

Ten Injured When Spokane Car on First Trip of Day Plunges Through Bridge.

WRECK DARKENS CITY

Twisted Girders Hold Passengers Under Water and Escaping Gas and Charged Wires Prevent Attempts at Rescue.

SPokane, Wash., Dec. 18.—The north span of the Division-street bridge across the Spokane River gave way under the weight of two passing structures today. One of the cars, carrying 13 passengers, plunged into the river and five men were killed and injured. The other car, that had reached the end of the bridge, slid back until the rear end rested on the river bed. The two passengers and crew escaped unhurt.

City Plunged to Darkness. The bridge, as it fell, took away the water and gas pipes and the telephone and electric supply. The city was plunged to darkness. The city engineer and gas and electric wires hindered immediate rescue of the survivors.

Late today the car was still submerged. A railroad wrecking car was preparing to lift it from the water. The police announced that all bodies had been recovered after 18 hours' work. Of the injured, one man's condition is serious. The dead were readily identified as being residents of Spokane. They were passengers on the car's first trip of the day.

The city reconstructed the bridge this year and it was pronounced safe. The city, streetcar company and the prosecuting attorney began investigations. Ten injured passengers are in hospital.

The dead recovered are: S. E. Fitzpatrick, Spokane, saloon proprietor. O. K. Thomas, Spokane, saloon proprietor.

Sam Harris, Spokane, negro porter. W. E. A. Wilson, Spokane, night engineer lumber mill. Unidentified body of a man.

No Warning is Given. John C. Eber, motorman of the car which fell into the river, was one of the rescued. "I did not have any warning and the whole section of the bridge seemed to drop suddenly," said Eber. "I was passing over the bridge at five miles an hour and heard steel snap. I did not know that anything was wrong. The only sensation I felt was that I was falling a long distance in darkness. I do not know how I was saved. I just remember fighting water."

Conductor John Sealand, of the Hill-yard car, said he did not know anything out of the ordinary was happening until he heard a crash behind him. "I had just paid my fare and had not yet left the rear end of the car when the crash came," said Walter Cleveland, one of the passengers who was injured. "Everything went dark and it felt as if we were falling forever. The only sensation I felt was that it was deathly still. A little trickle of water ran across my face and then there was a bigger stream."

Cost-Held on Another Save. "I remember saying to myself that I must not lose my presence of mind; that I must not forget what to do. It seemed like I could hear myself saying: 'Work hard or you'll drown.'"

"I heard groaning and screaming in the darkness and then there was a heavy crash and something hit me on the head. The water began to pour in there, and I began to struggle desperately to keep my face above the water. I do not know how long I fought like this, but I kept pushing on and on in the darkness until my head came out in the air and I took a deep breath."

"My hand fell on an iron rod, and I pushed myself clear of the wreck by it. Just ahead of me was a man climbing up something that looked like a ladder. I kept myself from falling by taking hold of his coat, and together we got up on a beam of the bridge. We sat there and shivered until we were rescued."

IDAHO HENS TO COMPETE

Dog Show Also is to Be Held at Boise January 10-14.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Exhibits of fancy poultry and pet stock, under the auspices of the Idaho State Poultry and Pet Stock Association, will be held here January 10-14. Silver trophies and medals have been offered in all classes of competition. Entries will close at 6 o'clock, January 6.

W. M. Coates, of Vancouver, B. C., will be chief judge in the poultry division, and George A. Cranfield, who has had experience in many American and foreign shows, will select the winners in the dog show. Leslie L. Long, of Boise, is secretary of the association.

Centralia Auction Held.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Tom Foster, Lewis County Sheriff, Thursday sold at auction the old furniture of the Centralia Hotel to satisfy a mortgage held by the Field & Lease bank. The furnishings, which cost \$12,000 new, and which are sufficient to fit up 41 rooms, were purchased by Ed. Towne and Ernest B. Roberts, who will re-auction them about January 1.

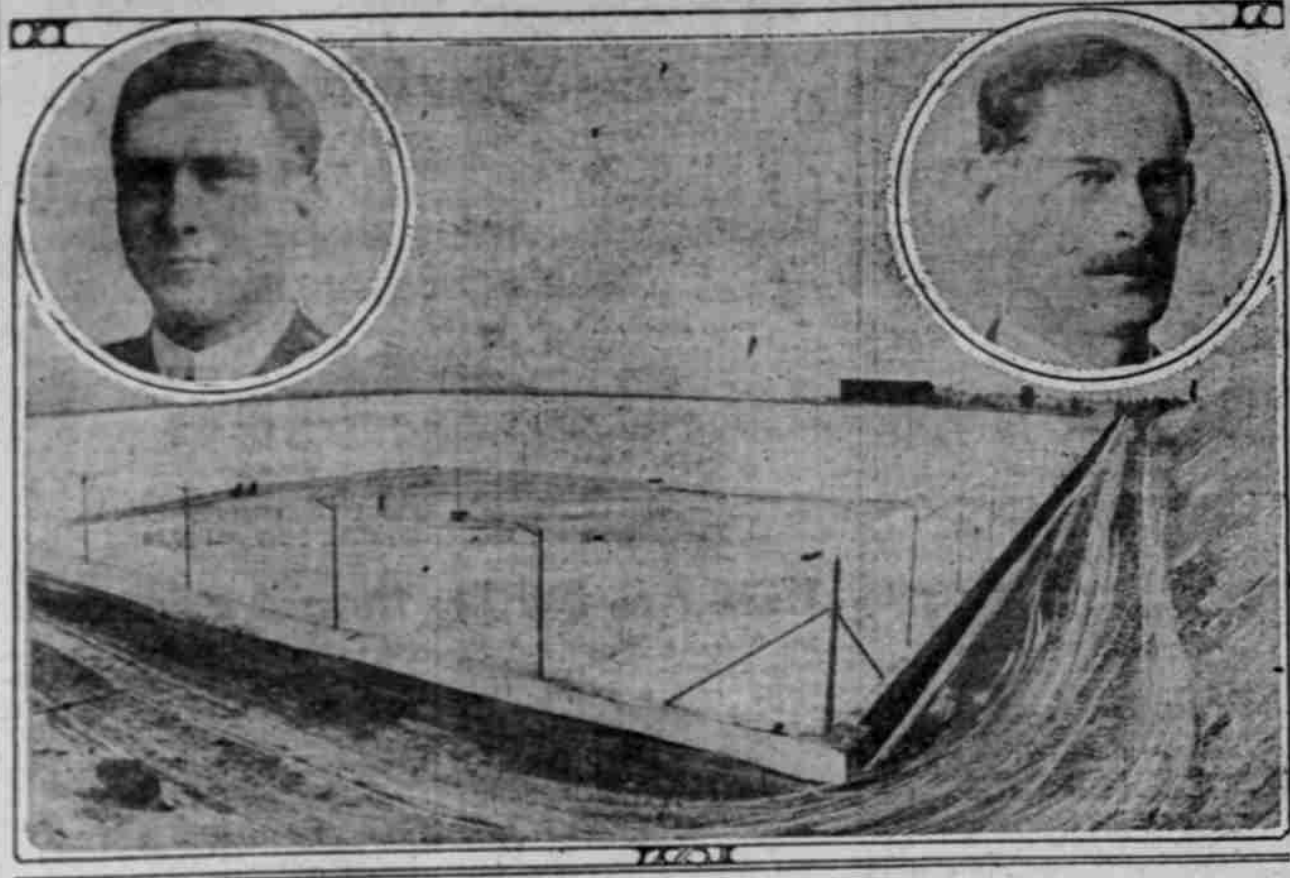
La Grande Relieves Girl Mother.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Carrying a baby a month old and another 2 years, a girl mother, who refused to give her name or home address, was picked up and cared for by charity workers today. Police have driven her from town to town, she says, and she wants to reach Spokane, where relatives live. The funds were provided. She was deserted by her husband.

Man Married 40 Years Sues.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—After trying married life for almost 40 years, James B. Myrick, of Athens, has filed suit for divorce against Ella Myrick, alleging cruel and inhuman treatment. The couple were married in Missouri in March, 1875.

FIRST LINK OF ABERDEEN'S NEW WATER SYSTEM, WHICH HAS BEEN COMPLETED.



RESERVOIR WHICH COST \$50,000—INSERTS, L. D. KELSEY AND E. A. LINDSTROM.

RESERVOIR IS USED

First Link in Aberdeen Water System Completed.

WORK TO COST \$450,000

On Account of Ground Sinking Only 10 Feet of Supply is Kept in Storage but Pumps Lift 2800 Gallons Each Minute.

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Aberdeen's \$50,000 reservoir, which is the first link in the new \$450,000 gravity water system now being built by this city, is completed, and through it is passing all water used by the city. The new reservoir has cut the operating expenses of the water system \$120 a month. The profits of the Aberdeen water system during the six months preceding December 1 were \$14,841.45.

The new reservoir is 250 by 240 feet at the top and forms a 100-foot parallelogram on the bottom. It is 25 feet deep, and filled to a 10-foot level will hold 7,350,000 gallons of water, or enough to supply Aberdeen for four days. It now is filled by a turbine-centrifugal pump which delivers 2800 gallons of water a minute, or 168,000 gallons of water an hour. Due to the settling of some of the land on which it is built, the reservoir at present is being filled only to a 10-foot level. Next Summer, it will be filled to capacity.

The new reservoir is the work of City Engineer L. D. Kelsey, who is to build the Wiahkah water project. The survey of the pipe line for this project will be finished before January 1, and within a month after its completion, it is expected, actual construction work on the new system will be started. Of the \$450,000 allowed for building the new system, exclusive of the reservoir, only \$200 so far has been spent. Several hundred men will be employed for probably nine months in the new work, for which residents of this city and many of families, will be given preference.

With the completion of the new gravity water system the Aberdeen water system will be early approximately \$40,000 annually. The report of City Treasurer Hill shows the water plants of the past six months have accounted to \$107,717 and the expenses of operation have been \$14,118.

MILLS TO KEEP RUNNING

SPALDING COMPANY ANNOUNCES POLICY FOR NEWBERG.

Unfavorable Conditions Only Can Prevent Operation of Big Plants, is Declaration Made.

NEWBERG, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The Charles K. Spaulding Logging Company announces that its big mills will be operated steadily now unless unfavorable conditions arise. For 25 years these mills have been the chief industry of Newberg.

Under the present ownership—since 1909—they have been added to and have given employment to from 125 to 150 men and their morning whistles have been welcomed as an indication that work was going on. When all parts of the mills were operated three whistles would be sounded at 5 o'clock to be followed by two blasts at 6 and one at 7.

Recently the company took on the making of siles and ruddy-bull barns and garages and has just completed extensive buildings.

PUSH KLAMATH INDUSTRY

Commercial Club Seeks Investment of Capital in Manufactories.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—In an effort to interest outside capital in Klamath County's manufacturing possibilities, the industrial department of the Commercial Club is preparing data to be sent to a number of concerns all over the United States. This data will be prepared especially for each line of work and the letters will be personal communications rather than circulars.

The work of raising the \$1000 necessary to make a fight before the Interstate Commerce Commission for lower freight rates into Klamath Falls is progressing. A total of \$775 is now pledged.

GRANT PROPOSAL TEXT OUT

Representative Baker's Resolution Provides Purchase at \$2.50 Acre.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 18.—Following is the text of the joint resolution, introduced by Representative Baker, of California, proposing that the Government buy up

O. A. C. FORMS DAIRY

Co-operative Creamery Association Is Plan.

PRACTICAL WORK IS AIM

Project Contemplates Daily Output of 500 Pounds of Butter and 150 Pounds of Cheese. 500 Cows Are Assured.

SHINGLE CAMPAIGN DUE

WEST COAST ASSOCIATION STARTS ADVERTISING IN FEBRUARY.

Trade Mark Adopted and Bureau of Inspection Will Be Established to Maintain High Standard.

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Definite plans for the \$65,000 advertising campaign to be conducted by the shingle branch of the West Coast Lumber Manufacturing Association have been announced here. These include the carrying of advertisements in National magazines, having a combined circulation of 10,000,000, the issuance of handsomely illustrated booklets showing the use of shingles, creating toy devices out of miniature shingles, and, most of all, the adoption and use of a trade mark.

A trade mark has been invented for the use of the shinglemen, and it will go on all shingles packed by Northwest mills. The entire output of the Northwest shinglemills hereafter is to be known as the "Rite-Grade Red Cedar Shingle."

This product will be classified in two grades to be known as the "perfect" and the "select." These grades will be made in 16-inch and 18-inch shingles, and no deviation from specifications will be allowed by the association. These specifications will be supplied all United States retail dealers.

To maintain the high standard that has been decided on a bureau of inspection will be organized, whose inspectors shall be constantly on the move inspecting the products of the various mills.

The advertising campaign of the shinglemill men will start in February and is in full swing in March.

GIRL 'SANTA' BRAVES SNOW

Mountaineer Walks 12 Miles That Children May Have Presents.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—To walk six miles to La Grande in deep snow to receive a Christmas box donated by the Salvation Army and return the same day was the feat today of a mountaineer girl whose name is withheld.

In it were presents for small brothers and sisters snowbound in their cabin.

Worker Is Hurt by Falling Log.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—R. L. Lapham, an employee of the Veness Lumber Company, at Winlock, is laid up with injuries sustained while loading logs. A block from a log struck Lapham on the head, nearly fracturing the skull. Leland, Lapham's 15-year-old son, is also confined to his home with internal injuries sustained when he collided with a telephone pole while coasting down a hill on a bicycle.

COMPETITION TO BE AVOIDED

The plan will add to the value and scope of the college courses in dairy husbandry, by placing before the students a practical application of the industry on such a scale as to reach every man enrolled in dairy courses.

The dairy department has up to the present time been dependent upon the milk and cream produced by its own herd and 15 to 20 herds, many of them small, owned by nearby dairymen, who have been delivering milk or cream to the college dairy in the same way that they would deliver to a commercial concern.

It is expected that the butter output of the creamery will total 1600 pounds daily during the Spring months. Close obtained and the creamery will be so arranged that if butter prices show a weakness the output of cheese may be increased to 200 pounds daily, insuring sufficient magnitude of business to warrant the added expense of transporting whole milk for cheese making.

Electric railways in the United States own 40,470 miles of track.

Until Wednesday Night

COLUMBIA

Sixth at Washington St.

A Trio of Portland Favorites

WILLARD MACK (Former Leading Man of the Baker Stock Co.), JACK GILBERT, a Portland Boy, and Enid Mackey, Star of the "Iron Strain," In the Sensational South Sea Romance



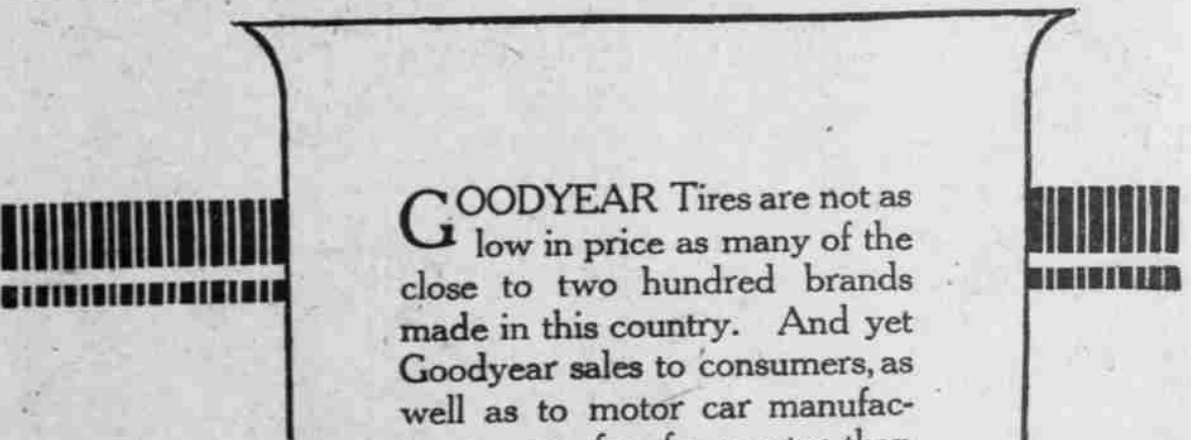
ALOHA OE

"Farewell to Thee," the great Hawaiian love song, its battle of the elements, the equatorial simoon, the shipwreck and then the terrible volcanic eruption, were the talk of the photoplay followers of New York

Raymond Hitchcock, Fatty Arbuckle and Flora Zabelle in the VILLAGE SCANDAL

The Keystone Comedy That Will Keep You Laughing After You Get Home. New York Pays \$2 for These Pictures

Loges May Be Reserved at 50c Per Seat



GOODYEAR Tires are not as low in price as many of the close to two hundred brands made in this country. And yet Goodyear sales to consumers, as well as to motor car manufacturers, are far, far greater than those of any other brand.

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company AKRON, OHIO

Notice European war demands have caused a shortage in the world's supply of materials used in the manufacture of White Tread tires. The color of Goodyear Tires may ultimately be changed from White to Black. Our supply of the required materials assures the greater portion of our 1916 season's output of tires being furnished with White Tread.

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY AKRON, OHIO

Any Fur in the House at Half Price and Less —Going Out of Business--Sale Continues on Monday--Come Silverfield Co. 286 Morrison, Bet. 4th and 5th Sts.