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FLYER WRECKED.

in Pocatello Yards,

Switch Causes Serious Mish

Butte, Mont., June 16 .- A special to

ne miner from Pocatello, Idaho, says

Short Line in recent years occurred

within the city limits of Pocatello at

the eastbound fast mail, struck a ml

yards, just as she was pulling into

s dead and Engineer Evan Williams,

seriously injured, but there were no

asualities of any kind among the

The accident occurred at the second

After running a train length from

From a private mesage it is learn-

ound and is badly shaken up. Ar-

hur J. Stimpson is incapacitated

WOMAN DIED AT 104 YEARS.

Negress at Charity Home Told of Old

Times on Long Island.

Walla Walla, June 17 .- The oldest

imate of the Colored Home and Hos-

fect health and her faculties were

death she threaded a cambric needle.

FELL OFF FOOT LOG.

Drowned in Rock Creek.

For the Murder of Marcum.

M. P. CARGILL IS DROWNED

Umatilla County for 20 Years.

caught and drowned by the cloud-

His body was washed eight miles

lown the canyon and lodged in a

News of the accident was brought

o this city by Charles White and

John Forth, who live on Birch creek

Coroner W. G. Cole was immediately

notified and an investigation is being

The body was badly bruised and

ore evidences of the awful velocity

of the torrent that swept the unfortu

Late man down the entire length o

been found and it is not known

He was identified by a check book

Mark P. Cargill was a nephew of

brother of Mrs. Alex Hudson, of Mc

Kay creek, and of Elmer, Dalbert and

W. H. Cargill, of this city, and has

TO EXHIBIT OREGON WOUL.

Samples Will Be Exhibited at St

Louis and Portland.

Baker City, June 17.-Henry Black

nan, of Heppner, the agent of the St

positions, is in the city. Mr. Black-

Louis, also the Lewis and Clark ex

man's specialty is to advertise East

ity will be selected from Eastern Or

egon flocks and placed on exhibitio

at St. Louis and later forwarded to

the Lewis and Clark exposition which

in the front rank. A local wool deale

INSULTED HIS WIFE.

will collect the samples.

for trial.

the canyon. His horse has not ve

hether it was drowned or not

burst which occurred in the hills west

of this city Monday night,

heap of drift at the mouth

o'clock this morning.

made this evening.

ound on him

of Illinois.

his way to see his father.

inimpaired. Only an hour before her

reet and Southern boulevard, died

switch at the west end, coming into

own, and went into the ditch.

ook the siding.

WEEKLY EDITION.

OREGONIAN for a year. Just think, \$1.50 gives you all the news for a year. Try It.

DESOLATION, CONFUSION AND SUFFERING AT HEPPNER

Air is Heavy With Sickening Odors --- A Special States That SITUATION DESPERATE

Five Miles of Railroad and Track Were Completely Washed Away-Relief

Three Looters Were Unceremoniously Shot.

Is Coming in Liberally, But Much More Will Be Needed-There Are Many Destitute Women and Children Left Utterly Alone in the World.

Heppner, June 18 .- A thousand volunteers are working in the town and in the drifts along Willow creek, seeking for dead. Many bodies are still unburied; others are being discovered constantly. Scores of women and orphans are destitute. The roll of dead will be incomplete for several days, and perhaps will never be fully known. There is an urgent appeal for funds. The flood left farming implements and household furniture hanging in tops of trees 15 to 20 feet high. Drifts and debris extend over a stretch of 20 miles. Bodies are found in various portions, but there is no systematic work yet outside the town. Two bodies were found 15 miles below Heppner.

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H. Connell, division roadmaster at

A Scene of Desolation.

Charles A. Carter has returne

on Monday last. He was caught in

says that no words can convey the

"One would have no idea of the

Country Is Changed.

Dan Richmond and John Schmidt

Reports Not Exaggerated.

Heppner say that there was no loot-

ing being done and that the bodies

are being gathered up and the prop-

erty closely guarded so there is no

le work.

exaggerated.

were saved.

opportunity for this sort of detesta-

The temper of the citizens there

would not tolerate a looter long in

their midst and the report is probably

Incorrect List of Dead.

There is so much confusion

Mayor Thomas G. Hailey left this the repair of the track. Four miles morning for Heppner, having in his were sent from this city and one mile care \$1,570 for the relief of the storm from Umatilla.

sufferers at that city. the council at the special meeting yes- says the track washed out was the terday, \$400 sent by the Odi Fellows' best piece of track on the Heppner lodge, \$100 sent by the Redmen, \$20 branch as it was laid with steel rails sent by the Painters' Union and \$250 last year and had been thoroughly subscribed by the German Verein repaired and overhauled this season Eintracht Society. The Masons have also authorized him to draw upon the lodge here for \$300 if it is needed at the place, or to contract for the equivalent of that sum in any manner that

may be necessary. Mr. Hailey will turn the amount to return to this city that night, but over to the relief committee on the made another start in the early mornspot and will tender any help that the ing on the next day. He described city of Pendleton may be able to ren- the conditions there as appalling and

He will act in conjunction with awfulness of the scene Judge G. A. Hartman and W. F. Mat- "The earth has all been washed lock who are there engaged in the away from the streets of the town work of relieving the suffering and clear to the bedrock in some places will do all that he can both as a pri- and the large trees grown along the vate individual and as the mayor of streets for shade have been washed the city of Pendleton to help relieve out by the roots and torn and twist-

the awful conditions there. Freewater Votes \$300.

Freewater, June 18 .- The city coun- | been there and had a chance to see for the relief of Heppner.

The subscription started by the Freewater Times yesterday am flood sufferers. There are only about 400 residents in Freewater, and the

Not the First Washout.

"The city was built at a point and empty into the narrow Willow child's book of fairy tales given to debris of all kinds scattered all over were in sight they kept up their left in the middle of the street or creek valley. A cloudburst on any of the daughter when she was a little the face of the land. Trees and rail-

"Twenty years ago a cloudburst occurred at the head of Hinton creek most illegible. The book was found high in the mountains and swept all and a portion of the town of Heppner far down the creek in a pile of debris loose things in its path into the town. was washed away. But at that time and is the only thing that remains of Bodies had been identified from eight skies became dark and threatening. house pervaded the air. The smell the town had not built down stream the once happy home. and most of the houses were above point where Hinton creek empties into the main canyon. This condition pathy that they need, for all the out, and the workers were at work on The electrical display increased till come like a bolt from the blue upon the main creek and a considerable care of the dead and to provide for the city. portion of the city was below the those left destitute by the storm.

mouth of Hinton canyon, turned loose their destruction could want at the present time."

"I believe the city will be rebuilt. 5 o'clock yesterday evening, there There is a demand for a town in just had been 218 bodies taken out and that section of the country, and it is identified. He does not think that the not likely there will ever be a repelist will mount much above that fig-

tition of the terrible flood. "Heppner was one of the richest towns of its population in America, and the property loss must have been enormous. It cannot be estimated for have returned from a trip to the scene months. I certainly lost many thous of the Heppner horror and the report ands of dollars worth of property, they bring back is one of terror. The

attention." Orphans Cared For.

Portland, June 18.-Mayor Williams thought that they could be driven. received a telegram from Detroit, yesterday evening, asking could be formed of the force of the about the two children of A. M. Gunn water and the horror of the scene. and wife, of Heppner. Mr. and Mrs. Gunn were drowned and the grandparents of the orphans desire the

children sent to Detroit to be cared Heppner and tells of the gruesome The 11-year-old daughter of W. Ayres, of Heppner, is a pupil in the blacker colors than it deserves. The Most of the drift in the town had field was cut in ravines or covered near relatives have all been taken from her by the great torrent of Willow levels and now the child is absolute levels and no one can begin to tell the deposit of rocks and gravel, with a d

lutely alone in the world. Officer Hawley was sent to Heppner today to care for the orphan East Oregonian today, says that children and bring those needing assistance to Portland, where they will for looting, this morning, but the be cared for by the Boys' and Girls' Pendleton people returning from Aid Society.

Heppner Mail.

Portland, June 18.-Postmaster Bancroft states that mail is being received for Heppner. Although the postmaster was drowned in the flood, the postoffice was not seriously damaged, and an inspector will be sent from Spokane to take charge. An immense amount of mail was received in this city yesterday for Heppner. Most of the mail consisted of regisletters and money orders. to the afflicted as soon as possible.

The mail will be rushed through. Eagles Gave \$2,000.

Portland, June 18.—The state lodge Hart, the operator, saw them disapthere was the nine miles to clear up, of Eagles has contributed \$2,000 to Heppner relief, the amount to be as pear, as he struggled to higher so that there was room for more sessed to the local lodges in the

Five Miles of Rails. of new steel rails to the Heppner

branch, as a part of the material for

among the dead, which is incor-T. W. Ayres, Sr., father of T Ayres, of this city, is alive and but J. L. Ayres, a cousin of T. W. Ayres of this city, was lost. The East Oregonian will publish another list of dead tomorrow, if possible taken from the records at Heppner

Kansas City and Two Suburbs Are in Bad Shape-Water Supply of Latter Cut Off and Relief Fund Ex-

ousand families, aggregating no: fewer than 20,000 persons, are homeless in this city and subsisting on charity. There is left \$60,000 of the elief fund, which Mayor Gilbert declares is one-fourth enough to alleviate present miseries and the distress that is in sight

In Two Kansas Suburbs.

In Armourdale, a city of 8,000 peole, only four streets are passable idreds of inhabitable houses still locking some of the main thoroughfares. The strength, time and financial resources of most of the volunteer laborers are exhausted and the extremity that invests the entire community is very great

wells being fouled and the waterworks entirely out of commission. repair. Argentine has 5,000 inhabitants. The relief fund especially inended for this city is exhausted.

from Heppner, for which place he left the storm on Birch creek and forced

MUCH SPACE SWEPT BARE CLEAR TO THE PEDROCK.

Railroad Iron Twisted Like Wire and storm of the preceding night Carried Long Distances - Judge Hartman Believes the Number of Dead Will Reach Three Hundred.

force of the storm unless they had cil met in special session last night for themselves the ruin that has been Heppner at noon today, and was seen water in places. William Matlock, back. You see how it is boys. If it moved about 25 feet back from the to tell of the scenes at the seat of road times innumerable since the turned the current and broke its force foundations and the porch was swept the storm. The judge said that he early sixties, said that never before I never would have gotten out. That When I came out by team I brought to \$108, making a total of \$408 and away and not a single splinter of it a party of 10 laborers, sent to the has been found. That was unable to tell any connected account and the seen the water standing in big roof there is George Conser's had been found. "The family was in the house at the count of the disaster from the fact Usually the thirsty alkali soil eager- narrow escape. 'Doc' McSword and time of the flood and were saved. on that he had attempted to work while ly drinks up the water. So heavy had Johnny Ayers were with them, but subscription paper is only fairly the other hand, the house of the Redstarted vet.

Subscription paper is only fairly the other hand, the house of the Redhe was there and had only picked up
were cut with ravines where the field family was swept away and not a the few things as they had come to water had eaten its way to the low vestige of the structure was ever him as he was not busy at his work. Not the First Washout.

"This was not the first washout that Heppner has experienced," said Mr. Morrow to the Oregon Daily Jour
"The body of Mrs. Redfield was found but the daughter is still missing houses out of the center of the town, and the ground was swept as Main street and clear down by a splendid span of blacks main street. Here we found confusion bare as Main street, and clear down coming on the dead run. Their glis- worse confounded "The only thing belonging to the to the bedrock. One had no idea of where several canyons come together family that has been found is a little the force of the flood, for there was flecked with foam. As long as they down the street had lodged and been

the surrounding hills could not help girl. In it is the inscription written road iron and every imaginable thing message of life or death was urging on account of being built of brick or by the one who made the gift, but it were twisted and twined into a mass on the stern-faced driver. is so worn by the water that it is allindescribable. The flood came from money. The people have all the sym- town had been pretty well cleared of thunder was heard. country is in mourning with them, the drifts out of the city and in the lightening flashed blindingly from the once happy and prosperous little

"On every hand hills from 800 to lies are the ones that need the first and wrecked and piled high with the hillside ravines were bank full wife and family and a beautiful home. 1,660 feet in height surround the spot attention and after they have been drift. in some places the wreckage of muddy water. where Heppner nestled. Nowhere made comfortable as they have been, would not be higher than four feet. floods came. When the waters were labor and it is this that the people boards and human beings welded to by the storm. gether in a mass that could hardly When Mr. Carter left the city at be wrenched apart.

> cape of Tom Matlock. After being preceding evening. separated from his wife. Matlock new that she was killed and attempted to save himself. He was are scattered about and twisted into ing struggling in the flood. He was below. all kinds of shapes and left lying in places where no one would have

fect of the buffeting that he had re- to the top strand of the wire. A. F. Rugg has returned from ceived. At noon yesterday about 140 bodies sight to be seen there. He says that had been recovered and more were the inequality of the damage of the the matter can not be painted in any coming in as the party left the town. A special telegraphic dispatch from a private party at Heppner to the

is one continuous mass of all kinds of things. In it are wedged horses and cattle and houses and furniture and horse team to pull the mass apart. by the flood as they left the office the men. At the present time there ported mising.

ground with their two children, who The water must have been at times at least 30 feet deep, as it rushed through as hard as he could stand The list of identified dead by the down the creek and the reason that it. He gave out a few miles back rain which blotted out all things 300 feet away.

building and were carried away. Mr. was a force of 600 men at work, and

ports from Heppner regarding the number and names of dead that a great deal of unnecessary worry has been caused. The Portland papers still publish the name of T. W. Ayres, Sr., among the dead which is incor-MOURNING IS EVERYWHERE

YET AND MONEY NEEDED. Two Hundred and Fourteen Bodies Recovered --- Many Are Missing and Debris Yet Covers Many Dead.

Kansas City, Mo., June 17.-Four Topography of the Country Has Been Modified by the Rush of Waters-Trees Uprooted or Twisted Off, Huge Boulders Carried Long Distances-Relief From Different Points in Umatilla County.

OVER 200 BODIES FOUND.

Heppner, June 17 .- Two hundred and fourteen bodies have been recovered. For 12 miles down Willow creek are piles of debris, all supposed to contain bodies. The principal efforts are centered clearing the town, but small parties are working along the creek and ! discovering bodies every little while.

First Sight of Desolation,

Where on my previous visit

the devouring waters.

Heppner, June 17 .-- I have wired re- ied. Whether his people were among port of Heppner disaster from Ione, the number I did not learn, In Argentine, on the opposite of the however a few personal observations Kaw, there is no water supply, the and impressions may be of interest. Our special left the Penuseton depot at 11:30 a. m. Monday. At 12:30 we He had besides the \$500 voted by Umatilla, was in the city today and They were damaged almost beyond arrived at Echo. The teams telegraphed for in advance were ready and an immediate start was made. Those in the party were William Matlock, H. L. Swaggart, John Endicott, Dr. W. G. Cole, E. S. Podgett, J. A. Marston, Fred Crawford, Dan Bowman, John Stevenson, M. A. Rader, E. P. Dodd, Mr. Long, the writer, and several others.

Across the Desert. The heat shimmering on the driftig sands, the sparse sagebrush, the houses, houses with their backs not come. ack rabbits and horned toads dart- broken, lodged against a tree; houses the hills describes the country between Echo and Heppner. An hour been and a man pointed to where we wreck of some sideboard. out from Echo we encountered the could ford the creek. We drove up to first evidence of the severity of the where the roof of the Telephone sta-

The land had been cut and gullied by the water, sagebrush being up selling things in Heipner now. rooted and winrows of sand formed. Judge G. A. Hartman returned from Shallow pools stood in the depres- stable in water higher than my waist down town this afternoon and asked who has traveled the Heppner-Echo hadn't been for that pile of drift that

tening, sweat-stained flanks were Wooden buildings that had floated killing pace. We wondered what leaning against the buildings which

miles up Willow creek, and the flood The lightening flashed fitfully across of carbolic acid and other preserva-

Heppner extended down the banks of but their immediate need is to take direction of Lexington, when he left three or four different points at the same time. Then came the deluge. The houses that were left were in The rain seemed to come in sheets

could human beings nave been gathered in a spot where they were more
ered in a spot where they were more
straighten out the awful tangle in the

would not be higher than it would ordinarily be as octhere a man winks back the tears.

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Their tangle in the first thing to do is to help
and in others it would be piled up
from 10 to 15 feet, and in this drift
casional detours had to be made to business of the town and clear away would be found all conceivable things, get around washouts and places a grief too deep for words. Before safety lay alone in the facts that no the wreck. This will take money and Dogs, horses, pianos, organs, cup where the road had been destroyed such an overwhelming visitation one

A few miles from Heppner the road onstrative kind. lost all semblance of a road. We were One woman, with grief too deep for The judge told the story of the es- in the wake of the cloudburst of the tears, said to me: "Can you tell me

Path of the Waterspout.

Here the road followed Hinton should have to live. If I could only raught in the waters and swept down creek. Hinton creek and every trib- have gone with him." with the flood. The waves were like utary, swale and gulch had been ragthe waves of the ocean, and were ing torrents. Where the road had crowded with all kinds and condi-been huge piles of boulders and rocks tions of drift. Floating with him had been deposited. Rocks weighing were dogs and cattle, whole houses a thousand pounds had been carried but at a time like this one never houses are torn and thrown about thinks of the dollars—it is the lives and the whole face of the land is der, and here and there a human be-

swept down and at last was caught in Some of the alfalfa fields will be mass of the float and at last reach the fences were entirely washed away,

Freaks of the Flood.

flood. Here a man's splendid alfalfa worth hundreds of dollars in enrich these tubs slats are placed. will be 300 dead in the place when all ing the field. Much of the standing al-This drift is an awful sight, for it falfa was either washed out entirely are brought here. Some look calm or lay prostrate in the mud.

Roads Impassable. In many places we got out of the bridge timbers, railroad iron and ties, backs and let the driver pick his way bridges and roofs and human bodies, Just this side of Ed Day's house we

takes all the strength of a heavy four- ward on foot to Heppner. He accept- Her lips were partially closed. Her Eastern Oregon clip." ed our offer of a ride toward the expression had nothing of fright or The bank was to have opened this ill-fated city. His anxiety to reach pain, rather it was one of utter peace norning for the payment of the men. there was painful to witness. A cour- and content. All the laborers were being paid \$2 ier had started the preceding night It did not seem possible that she The report that J. N. Kernan, O. a day and boarded, and those that and by riding all night and until 10 was dead; rather it seemed that she R. & N. agent at Heppner, together were not willing to take wages were o'clock that morning, had notified slept. Death had dealt gently with

Horse Ridden to Exhaustion.

Creek since 10 o'clock this morning." of its guests were lost." he said. "For 60 miles I put him

shears the women cut away all cloth- Open ing. When they have been washed they are put in the boxes and a sheet id over them to await identification. Some of the sights I saw with the that the most disastrous passenger ad are indescribable. Some of the wreck in the history of the Oregon etings of sons or other relatives ho had traveled as fast as horseflesh can go to come to the comfort of those who have been spared are too pitiful to tell-too sacred to describe. Here is a woman bowed with years

nd grief. Her husband and children ave sunk beneath the rushing, seethng tide of destruction. A son or a and Mail Clerk Ben A. Campbell are daughter has hastened from some eighboring city to comfort her. How an she be comforted? At such a casualities has engers, ime there is no human aid. One tands dumb before such heartbreak-

liately left the rail, but continued on ify the dead one sounds the depths the general course of main line, while human sorrow. One father who the derailing of the engine further had seen his wife and two of his hrew the switch so that the train children lying cold and inanimate, was hoping against hope that his only emaining little one might have been the point of the switch the engine spared. A message came for him to turned over on her side, the mail car go up to the hall. When he looked and baggage car shot off in opposite n the anguished face of his little directions and the composite car went aby, kind nature mercifully veiled off at another tangent, the sleeper. is sight. He fainted and was taken diner and chair cars remained on the

I caught a few hours' sleep at the me of Will Irwin. Next morning at 4 o'clock I was astir. I spent the text few hours in helping the searchers for the dead. Here a baby's and can be seen in the flotsam and tsam left by the receding waters. Carefully the little form is removed and taken to the receiving hall. desolation that had been wrought by stood talking with one of the marshals who was describing the appearance of he advancing wall of waters with imbers and cattle being now subblock of beautiful and substantial residences surrounded by well-kept face, when one of the searchers molawns, and shade trees, there was tioned to him. We went over to the now to be seen a bare expanse swept silent group. They had torn away he wreckage and exposed the form

Will Burn Up Wreckage. Workers are hurrying in from nearble lay. The proprietor welcomed us. by points. Teams and men are tear-"Feed them all the loose hay you ing the wreckage apart and piling it, want to boys it won't cost you a or burning. Unless one has seen it, Little Boy Lost His Footing and Was was flooded. cent, so help yourselves. We are not little idea can be formed of the congestion of travel and of communica-"Last night I waded out from that

> I filed an order for the use of the several score telegrams.

Skirting piles of drift and making Sumpter Relief Fund.

A few miles from Heppner the An all pervasive odor of the charnel "What is needed now is labor and came from farther than that. The the darkened sky and the low rumble tives gave sickening evidence of the wholesale destruction of life that had city of Heppner.

the flood.

may be seen standing among the Our progress was somewhat slow- ruins dry-eyed from grief. Here and sees little grief of the noisy or dem-

whether they have found my husband's body? Most of my relatives were drowned. It seems hard that I

City in Darkness.

The city is in darkness-a darkness too deep to be dissipated by the feeble gleams of the lamps and tallow candles that are being used in lieu of electric lights. A misstep at the street crossing results in going into the soft and slimy mud to one's the drift and under it, but managed more valuable as rock quarries than ankles. The Palace hotel is crowded to crawl under the water and the as alfalfa fields now. In places the with the homeless. Picking my way along as best I could, I made my way Unless one has seen the thing no idea surface. He was bruised from the while in other places the barbed wire and stacked along the sidewalk are top of his head to the soles of his fences had withstood the flood and and stacked along the sidewalk are feet, and black and blue from the ef- mud and silt had been deposited hastily constructed oblong boxes. A grim reminder of the chief occupation at present-the burial of the

> At the Morgue. In the hall of Robert's stone block

is the morgue. When I went up I the waters would madly tear would a noble response to the call upon 10-11. not been searched, stretching down have a deposit of one or two inches them. Stretched the length of the the creek, and from the size of this, have a deposit of one or two inches them. Stretched the length of the Secretary Gwinn, of the Oregon dudge Hartman estimates that there worth hundreds of dellars in enrich that are porcelain tubs. Across Woolgrowers' Association, in explain-

As the bodies are recovered they Baker City, said today: and peaceful. One little girl was lying in a crude this reason the bidding was not lively box, the light from a smoky lantern Later in the season when the full falling upon the satiny smoothness of clip is displayed, both buyers and trunks and pianos, trees and fences, over the boulder-strewn roadway. her bare white shoulders. It lit up sellers will be in a better position to her clustered ringlets of golden hair base their prices. The wool now ofall tangled together till it some times overtook a young man hurrying for till they looked like fine-spun gold. fered is by no means a criterion of the ern Oregon. Wool of the finest qual-

Friends of sufferers mailed money with his wife, had been saved, is unto the afflicted as soon as possible. The mail will be rushed through Mr. Kernan and wife were caught

The Main thing was the money and the flood as they left the office the men. At the present time there ported mising.

Tom Thail is Badly Beaten and Afterwards Pulls His Freight. face has a vaguely familiar look, yet Insanity is supposed to be the cause "I rode my horse from Desolation she was at the Heppner hotel. Most are known to be straight. no one seems to know her. Possibly of the deed, as Mr. Dean's accounts

Heart-Rending Scenes. Piles of rough coffins throw vague The O. R. & N. has sent five miles the names of Mr. and Mrs. Kernan. Ing flood was on account of the heavy money, so I had to come on foot." Some are occupied and some are not. Myers, an old-time resident of this released on \$25 cash bail. Today he morrow provided the required number of the heavy money, so I had to come on foot." Some are occupied and some are not. When we got there he found that As the bodies are brought in, poor, county, he being adjudged insane by disappeared when his case came up ber of cars can be obtained.—Baker county berused but the county court. 83 of the dead had already been bur- bruised, battered, mud-stained, inant-

mate clay, they are placed on the slats across the tubs. With sheep

Pocatello, the engine No. 807, imme-When the friends are let in to idenrom the hall. grade of the siding.

Driving to the edge of Willow creek we caught our first glimpse of the heppner I had noticed block after lean of every semblance of a house. Here and there a twisted tree trunk of an elderly man. His face was or a line of broken trees showed where the street had been.

Houses on their sides, upturned tended, grasping for the help that did fect health and her faculties were

Articles of value are scattered ing to shelter behind clumps of sage in all sorts of grotesque positions, everywhere. On Chase street I saw She was a maker of patch work, and brush, the monotonous sameness of were to be seen singly and in groups. a line of silverware extending to the We drove to where the bridge had edge of the stream, probably the

ong distance 'phone at lone at 9 p the attempt. During that time the bark loosened by the rains, slipped phone had been continuously busy. Heppner has had an overwhelming isaster. It will take years for her to ecover from such a staggering blow.

Unless one has witnessed something similar, it is difficult to form any conception of the devastation that has een wrought to life and property FRED LOCKLEY, JR.

Sumpter, Or., June 17 .- The citi (Concluded on page three.)

stone, had been able to withstand the flood. Mud and slime was over everything. BAKER CITY WOOL MET DEATH ALONE

MIDDLE OF JULY.

SALES POSTPONED UNTIL

Highest Bid Made Was 12% Cents-Emergency Does Not Justify a Sacrifice-Wool Now Stored Was Sheared From Yearlings-This Sale No Criterion to Eastern Oregon Mar-

ales here yesterday were a total fiz-

sales were postponed until July 15-16. Buyers and sellers were both indeendent to a remarkable degree. The wool market situation was disassed from every standpoint and the mergency was not considered by the wool growers to be acute enough to

istify a sacrifice. They will hold for higher prices intil the next sale, and if things are not satisfactory at that time they will still hold

Secretary J. H. Gwinn, of the state Woolgrowers' Association, was present at the sales here vesterday. Two or three Boston buyers, four from San Francisco, and three from Western ints were also on the ground.

Others in attendance were: Robert Wilson, of the Burlington road: B. T. Sweney, of the Erie Despatch; F. H. Stocker, of the Traders' Despatch: William Ellery, represent ing Hallowell and Donald, Boston; F. Green, of Carson & Company, Boston; E. J. Burke, of H. C. Judd & Root, D. E. Cargill of this city, and a Hartford, Conn., and Hom Cotter, of

The highest bid made was 12%c found Mrs, N. A. Kelly and Mrs, M. for the clips of Sam Kidder, 50,614 resided in Umatilla county for 20

> ing the postponement of the sales in "The wool offered for sale yester day was shorn from yearlings and fo

REMARKABLE CIRCUMSTANCE.

Bank Official Suicides Who Is Not Short in His Accounts, New Yorfl. June 17.-Frank Dean

Farmer Adjudged Insane.

CLOUDBURST NEAR VINSON

1:30 o'clock Monday, when No. 2, placed switch at the west end of the Birch Creek Was Flooded for Its Entire Length Monday As a result Fireman Henry Bowers Evening.

> PENDLETON PEOPLE TURNED BACK FROM HEPPNER ROAD.

> Tremendous Fall of Water and of Huge Hailstones-Bridge at Lee's Crossing is Gone and Thousands of

Acres of Alfalfa Destroyed. the piano house, who started for Heppner yesterday, were forced to return last night by a heavy thunder ed that both mail clerks were injured. storm that caught them in the vicin Ben A. Campbell has a severe scalp ity of Vinson, about 6 o'clock in the afternoon. The storm which broke rom duty. Both are residents of this over Pendleton last evening was the one that caught the travelers and

forced them to return.

Severe Hail Storm. When they had reached Lee's crossng on Birch creek, they were overtaken by the storm and forced to stop. The thunder and lightning was severe and a hall storm swept over tal, at One Hundred and Forty-first the country such as has never been seen here before. The hail stones ast Friday, at the age of 104 years. were at least an inch in diameter and came with such force that great welts were raised wherever they struck the body. The horses driven by the parties refused to face the storm turned their backs to the wind while the drivers took refuge under the rigs After the worst of the rain and hall many of the quilts her industrious had passed, Mr. and Mrs. Therkelsen fingers put together took prizes at started back to the city and were different embroidery shows and forced to swim their borses in sev-

eral places to get home. Dry gullies and runways that had torrents and the country all around

Flood From Pilot Rock to Echo. The storm seemed to extend from year-old son of Joseph Southwick, an Pilot Rock to Echo and to have its employe of the Chase Mills, was crosscenter in the vicinity of Vinson. 'clock a. m., and at 3 o'clock I gave ing the creek on a foot log, when the What it must have been in the center of the disturbance can be judged under his feet and he was precipitat by the fact that Mr. Therkelsen had ed into the stream. The child was on gone but a little way when the roads were as dry as could be and all the

The accident occurred in the even travelers coming from the direction ing and the body was found today of Pendleton had seen no rain to close by the spot where the lad fell Mr. Therkelsen will leave again this morning for Heppner, where he has a large number of planos in the Jackson, June 16 .- Jett, on the district destroyed by the flood, stand this morning in his own deense, put on a bold front. He said at Lee's crossing and flooded the enhe never entered the door of the tire district lying down the canyon.

The storm washed away the bridge court house until after the shooting There are two guiches leading from took place and went there from curl the starting place of the storm, and down these the water rushed. One of the runways is a deep gulch leadng straight along, and the other is a longer route, which the creek follows. The water struck on the divide, part

Destruction to Crops, apart to the convergence of the ways. IN COOMBS CANYON. and was from two to four and five feet deep in some places. It swept over the low lands along the creek and in Left Pendleton Monday Evening on some places the alfalfa and other Horseback-Torrent of Water Car. crops were ruined. A large amount of the alfalfa had been cut and this ries Body Eight Miles-Resident of floated off on the water and was scattered along the bottom for a long ways. That which was still standing The body of M. P. Cargill was found was in as bad a fix, for the rushing by George Fourth, a 10-year-old boy, water beat it into the ground and Baker City, June 17 .- The wool at the mouth of Coombs canyon, at 9 plastered it with mud so that it cannot be harvested. The entire extent of the damage is not known, for all of Mr. Cargill left Pendleton on horsethe residents are busy repairing as

back Monday evening and in attempt much as may be possible, the damage ing to cross Coombs canyon, was to their farms. At one place about six miles out of the city the water washed a table out of the back porch of a farmer's louse and swept it a mile down the The table was standing on creek. ground at least 10 feet above the ordinary level of the creek. By this

can be judged the size of the storm. Struck O. R. & N. at Nolin. Part of the waterspout which came lown on the Lee's crossing country hit the O. R. & N. at Nolin and cov ered the track for some distance with a mass of rocks and debris. The water from the flooded creeks and gulches emptied into the Umatilla at he mouth of Birch creek, raising the water of the river several feet. The sudden sweep of the water on its way rushed over the low track at Nolin and completely covered it with rocks, mud and driftwood. A force of men was sent to the scene from here, and the work was pushed with all possible

speed, but the trains were delayed for some time by the accident, Relief Wagon Turned Back. One of the wagons loaded with prorisions and supplies for the people at Heppner, which was sent out yeserday afternoon, was caught in the storm on Birch creek and forced to return this morning. The load was taken off and distributed among the merchants who had furnished it, and hey will take the material back. If there is any great damage done to the various articles the men behind the relief movement will stand for it,

provided the merchants wish to be eimbursed.

FLOOD IN COMB'S CANYON. Report of Extensive Damage Not Well Confirmed. will put Eastern Oregon flockmasters It is reported that there was a

oudburst in Comb's canyon last ight which washed away bridges and ences along the entire length of the gulch. The school house was washed away down the canyon and entirely de stroyed and all of the hay either washed away or destroyed.

Baker City June 17 .- For insulting a married woman in a local lodging-D. I. Waltz a sheep buyer of Chi-cago. California, has purchased 6000 house yesterday, Tom Thall, a cigar maker, was nearly beaten to a pulp Union, Ore., June 16.—Sheriff Pen- by an irate husband armed with a head of yearling wethers in this city authorities of Heppner, contains the people did not hear the approach and I couldn't get a horse for love or and distorted shadows in the gloom. Thall was later arrested and county and will make a shipment to the names of Mrs. Warrange of