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KILLED ON THE FOURTH OF JULY

An Incomplete List Shows That Thirty-six People Lost Their Lives.

TOTAL INJURED PROBABLY WILL REACH TWO THOUSAND.

Accidental Discharge of Fireworks Heads the List of Casualties, With Gas Pipe Cannon a Close Second—One Hundred and Twenty-seven Arrests in New York City—Some Peculiar Accidents.

Chicago, July 6.—Disfigurement, death and fire were the grim companions of the Fourth of July patriot to day. Disasters to the Record-Herald give a total of 36 killed and 1,093 injured, as a result of the day's celebration. The number of fatalities exceeded those of last year, when 21 gave up their lives during the observance of the day, and 2,172 were reported injured. The list of injured, however, this year, is far from complete, and may have exceeded even the large total recorded in 1902.

But one person is as yet known to have been killed in Chicago, but 70 were injured, most of them by the accidental discharge of fireworks.

Boy Killed by the Discharge of Fireworks.

Astoria, Or., July 6.—Arthur Nelson, a boy of 11 years, was killed at the quarantine station, across the Columbia from Astoria, last evening by the discharge of a cannon which was fired from a small cannon which was being fired in a Fourth of July celebration.

Curious to know what was going on, the boy was standing directly in front of the gun, when the charge exploded, mauling his body in a horrible manner and causing instant death.

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New York, July 6.—August Edgeley, 16 years old, of Jersey City, who was known as the "Kid," was the first Fourth of July victim hereabouts. Edgeley blew off the top of his head with a home-made cannon. He made it from a piece of gas pipe. Several persons warned him that he could not shoot it with safety, but he said that he would take his chances.

He loaded the pipe with a quarter of a pound of gunpowder and touched it off with the lighted end of his cigarette. There was a terrific explosion, and the piece of iron flying upward, carried away the top of the lad's head.

Seventy-Injured Accidents in Boston.

Boston, July 6.—Seventy-two accident cases were reported to be serious. One accident attributable to the Fourth of July celebration in the Massachusetts metropolis, was the wrecking of a fire department protective wagon while on its way to a fire. Thomas Duffy was instantly killed and four others injured, two of them fatally.

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Edwardsburg, Ill., July 6.—John Metzger, a butcher, ended his life by taking poison. His nervousness increased as the Fourth approached, and he informed his friends repeatedly that he would kill himself to escape the noise of the celebration. He kept his word, taking poison early in the day, just as the bombardment was beginning.

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Contracts With Plaztoeder for Large Quantities of Fresh Meat With Which to Feed Menagerie Animals.

Frank Fay, the alleged general agent of the great Sells Brothers' & Forepaugh's show, is in custody at Pocatello under a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses from Conrad Plaztoeder, of this city, and thereby lunge at a tale.

Little man with a scar on the side of his neck and a large capacity for booze, hit the town and at once began to make his presence known. He registered at the Golden Rule and went on a gentlemanly spree all the time, telling everyone that he met that he had the general agent of the great Sells Brothers' & Forepaugh's show, and stated his desire. Plaztoeder was willing to do business, and after some talk they entered into an agreement, and going to the Golden Rule, drew up a contract which both signed.

By the terms of this paper Mr. Plaztoeder was to furnish to the circus on the day of August 9, and as long thereafter as the show should stay in town, various kinds of provisions and articles which would be needed by the circus, and to supply 3,000 pounds of beef in four and hind quarters daily at 84 cents; two hogs daily dressed in salt at 11 cents; 100 pounds of fresh sausage meat daily, in bulk at 11 cents; bacon at 16 cents; one barrel corned beef at \$22; 600 pounds fish at 11 cents; and all the feed that the circus needed at a reasonable market value. All of the extra fish, meat and vegetables, or articles of any kind that the show needed, was to be furnished at a reasonable market value.

The contract was signed, and the agreement was made. Plaztoeder drew an advance of \$25 from the merchant. Having secured the money he lit out and made tracks for the next part of the country. Having some other business with the agent, Mr. Plaztoeder went to the hotel to find him and was there told that the man was a beat and that he had worked the same game in several other towns on the Sound and along the route here. The contractor immediately went to the hotel and found the man was a beat and that he had worked the same game in several other towns on the Sound and along the route here. The contractor immediately went to the hotel and found the man was a beat and that he had worked the same game in several other towns on the Sound and along the route here.

It is not known whether he can be brought back for trial if he refuses to come without extradition, alleging that the people here have no knowledge as to whether or not the contract is void, as they have not seen any of the circus people and that the man was a beat and that he had worked the same game in several other towns on the Sound and along the route here. The contractor immediately went to the hotel and found the man was a beat and that he had worked the same game in several other towns on the Sound and along the route here.

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FIRST RACE WAR ON RECORD IN KANSAS.

Very Unusual Condition of Affairs in That State—Bountiful Harvest and Influx of Negroes the Cause.

Topeka, July 6.—The farmers of the neighborhood of Belvoir having telegraphed the governor for troops as a race war was raging there, Governor Bailey has wired to the authorities for information.

In the meantime dispatches from the farmers continue to arrive. The trouble has its origin in the fact that negroes from Missouri and Oklahoma to work in the harvest fields. The first effect of the importation was a reduction of wages, which was resented by the resident laborers, many of whom are mechanics from the towns who are in the harvest field because building and other operations are dull in the towns.

Another source of trouble is the drinking tendency of the negroes, which induces quarrels and several serious clashes have occurred, which it appears the constables cannot cope with. The negroes are attacking among many of the wealthy farmers while the white laborers have an abundance of active sympathizers.

RECORD-BREAKING ACCIDENT.

Flag Falls and Causes the Death of Four Persons.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 6.—During the progress of a terrific rain storm, on Thursday, four persons were killed in an accident of the most unusual character. A large flag became soaked with rain and the wind blew it against electric wires carrying 2000 volts. The wire snapped under the pressure, falling into the street, one of the persons who were standing near it was struck and killed. A man walked into the pool of water and was struck and killed. A man walked into the pool of water and was struck and killed. A man walked into the pool of water and was struck and killed.

LARGE POSTAL DEFICIT.

Great Increase Due to Rural Delivery Expense.

Washington, July 6.—Captain Castle, auditor of the post office department, today made an official estimate that the postal deficit for the fiscal year just closed would be \$4,615,293. This was an increase of \$1,261,170 over the previous year.

TRANSPORT ASHORE.

Was Beached After Having Several Plates Smashed in.

Manila, July 6.—The transport Summer went ashore on an uncharted reef off South Luzon. She was carrying the recently arrived Fourth Infantry and was beached with seven feet of water in the forward hold. The troops were landed in safety. The transport will be docked at Hong Kong, as several plates were smashed.

DRIVING MATINEE COULDN'T SCALP LAW

OREGON OWES OVER THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Total Amount Paid for Sculp \$212,000—Many Counties Refused to Pay Further When Fund Was Exhausted—Claims Do Not Bear Interest.

When the next legislature has appropriated \$35,000 to pay off the deficiency claims, Oregon's experience with county scalp bounty laws will be ended. That amount will be required to pay the claims that have been accepted under the laws which were repealed by the last legislature. When this deficiency is paid Oregon will have expended for bounties some \$212,000. The amount paid for the last session was \$250,000. It was estimated that when the appropriation was exhausted early in 1902 a number of the counties ceased to allow bounty claims.

This amount of \$212,000 includes only the expenditure from the state treasury and to this must be added the three-year paid by the several counties in the last two years, amounting to \$42,900, making the total paid for bounties by the taxpayers nearly \$255,000. The expenditure of the last session was \$250,000. It was estimated that when the appropriation was exhausted early in 1902 a number of the counties ceased to allow bounty claims.

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THREE WRECK RECORD ONE DAY

Twenty Cars Were Smashed Into Kindling Wood at Peoria, Illinois.

TWO PASSENGER TRAINS ON CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Two Killed in St. Louis Street Car Collision and Several Others Will Probably Die—Long List of Passengers Were More or Less Injured.

Peoria, July 3.—Charles Fisher, a fireman for the Rock Island, was killed and three others injured in a head-on collision in the local yards this morning. A freight train smashed into a switch engine. Both were hurled from the track and 20 cars smashed into kindling wood.

Railroad Men Won't Talk.

St. Paul, July 3.—It is reported that both the east and west-bound Imperial Limited Canadian Pacific trains were wrecked, one at Rosser and the other at Moosejaw, but there are no details. The company declines to give out information.

Bad Wreck in St. Louis.

St. Louis, July 3.—Two electric cars collided at Jefferson and Olive streets this morning. Twenty-five injured were taken to hospitals. Both cars were totally wrecked. The Olive street car was struck in the middle when crowded with business men and women. The Jefferson car motorman lost control.

PUGILIST AT BUTTE.

Butte, Mont., July 3.—Mose La Fontaine will be heavily backed by his Montana admirers when he enters the ring this evening for a 20-round bout with a local pugilist. The fight is being promoted by a local promoter. The fight is being promoted by a local promoter.

Eleven Men Drowned.

A report from Normandia says 11 section men were drowned near there. They were engaged in an effort to repair the grade when a sudden onrush of water bore down upon them. The grade was being repaired when a sudden onrush of water bore down upon them. The grade was being repaired when a sudden onrush of water bore down upon them.

Earlier Reports Confirmed.

Reports show the storm damage will exceed a million dollars. Galesville reports no lives were lost. Corrected reports received here this afternoon state that the Santa Fe train near Valley View turned over from the tracks into a body of water. It is not known whether any passengers were rescued.

Will Contest the Will.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 3.—Mrs. H. C. Register, of Long Beach, Cal., who came here to contest her father's will, died today. She was 83 years old. She was 83 years old. She was 83 years old.

Iron and Steel Imports Increasing.

Washington, July 3.—The bureau of statistics report will show iron and steel imports for the past fiscal year to be \$50,000,000, or nearly double the preceding year.

Got a Dent by Accident.

Bristol, July 3.—Inspection of the hull of the Reliance this morning showed an indentation five feet long. It is not serious or an indication of weakness.

DESTRUCTIVE TEXAS FLOODS

Unprecedented Rains in Northern Part of That State and in Indian Territory.

ELEVEN SECTION HANDS DROWNED AT NORMANDIA.

Watercourses Are All Out of Their Banks—Train Leaves the Grade at a Washout and Six People Are Drowned—Gainesville Is Under Water.

Dallas, Texas, July 3.—A message from Gainesville early this morning says the city was struck by a cloud-burst last night and the entire city flooded. It is feared many lives were lost. Thousands were forced to take refuge on house-tops. The water in places is six feet deep and a whirling torrent. The loss of life would be a mile wide and also the creek went out of town. Another flood is reported coming down from St. Joe.

The Santa Fe passenger has been ditched three miles from Gainesville, a long stretch of track being washed out. By telephone it is learned that the engineer, fireman and express messenger are missing.

The damage to the train has been great, but as most of the cars were empty, the loss of property was not great. The grade sinking slowly, it is believed most of the passengers escaped with their lives. They are, however, cut off from immediate escape.

Great Storm Is Raging.

Dennison, July 3.—The most serious rainstorm in years is raging over Northern Texas and the Indian Territory. The rain is falling in such heavy deluges that the crops are being washed out. The rain is falling in such heavy deluges that the crops are being washed out.

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Excessive Heat.

Usual List of Prostrations in Chicago Unprecedented in Philadelphia.

Chicago, July 3.—A number of prostrations are reported from heat today, but no fatalities. The highest temperature is predicted for tomorrow. The mercury started at 90 today.

Philadelphia, July 3.—One death and many prostrations from heat today. The conditions prevailing are very unusual.

Schwab in Poor Health.

Pittsburg, July 3.—President Schwab arrived home from Loretta today to spend the Fourth. His family physician this morning examined him and said he is far from well.

RAILROADS WASHED OUT, WIRES DOWN FOR MILES.

Suburbs of Pittsburgh Sustain Losses of Property—Immense Bottling Works Washed Away—Believed Nearly Fifty Lives Were Lost—Foundations, Houses and Bridges Being Washed Away.

Pittsburg, July 6.—Between 25 and 30 lives are believed to have been lost as a result of a cloudburst at Jeannette last night. Nineteen are known to be dead, and it is impossible to approach accurate figures until a systematic search for bodies is made. Watchmen are dragging bodies from the edges of the foam-crested stream.

The scene this morning is indescribable. The waters of Brush creek are rushing down Sixth street, undermining houses and bridges, and the superstructure of many yet standing are trembling.

At 7 o'clock this morning systematic work of search and relief began under four parties. Many have been rescued and it will not be known until the waters subside how many are dead.

Property Destroyed.

All the telephone and telephone wires are down for miles, the car service is entirely suspended and the railways badly crippled. The property loss is believed to be heavy. The Jeannette bottle works, employing 230 men, was swept away. Loss \$500,000. Had the deluge come in working hours, the loss of life would have been vastly greater.

Stores on Clay avenue will also be heavy losers, but no estimates have yet been made or are possible. Hundreds of yards of street paving was scoured out, taking street car rails, paving stones, base structure and everything clear to the bed rock, and depositing hundreds of tons of rock, gravel, asphalt and dirt on the lower levels and in areas in the lower stories of business houses and in the basements.

Sixteen Missing.

The hunt for bodies along Brush creek began this afternoon. Sixteen known drowned are still missing.

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SHAMROCK III IN TRIAL RACE.

Proving Herself to Be a Remarkable Boat.

Highlands, July 3.—The Shamrock race over the cup course today under perfect conditions and with nine-knot breeze. The ship challenger at 10:20 started with all sails set first and had the lead at the morning buoy, but in two lengths Shamrock III overhauled and swept past.

The third then took down her baby jib and in two minutes the first caught up and passed. The challenger then sent up more sail, but at 10:45 Shamrock III was a quarter of a mile ahead.

Won By Shamrock I.

Shamrock I first shot past the Sandy Hook lightship at 2:25, the challenger being 30 seconds later.

FIRE AT POCATELLO.

Urgent Short Line Shops Have a Close Call—About \$15,000 Damage Done to Buildings.

Pocatello, Idaho, July 6.—Fire in the Oregon Short Line yards last evening did \$15,000 worth of damage to buildings, equipment and rolling stock. The fire started in the engine house, but it is thought to be incendiary. At one time the entire shops were in danger of destruction, but the prompt work of the department and employees got it under control.

Several passenger coaches in the yard were destroyed before they could be moved out of the way.

MISSING STUDENTS FOUND.

Lost in the Swiss Mountains During Researches.

Geneva, July 3.—The seven missing students from the Zurich high school, were found alive by the party that went in search of their bodies. They suffered from lack of food and exhaustion after being lost. It is believed all will recover. They were searching in the mountains for new and unfamiliar routes, under the guidance of an expert botanist.

MRS. MCUE'S DECISION.

Is Convinced That Her Husband Is a Bigamist.

Chicago, Ill., July 3.—Mrs. W. K. McCue, the wife of Lieutenant McCue, left last night to return to her father's home in San Francisco. Her husband's repeated denials of a previous marriage in the face of what she believed convincing testimony led her to the decision.

Heat Causes Shut-Downs.

Parkersburg, July 3.—On account of the heat work in the iron and steel plants has been suspended. Heat prostrations yesterday caused all the mills save one to shut down this morning.

Roosevelts Are Pleading.

Oyster Bay, July 3.—President Roosevelt and family are pleading today along the island coast. The president, for once since his return here, is at complete rest.

CIRCUIT COURT NULLIFIES IT

Opinion Adverse to Initiative and Referendum Amendment.

CONSTITUTIONALITY IS BROUGHT INTO QUESTION.

Held That the Constitution Was Not Obedied in the Adoption of the Measure—Does Not Affect the Charter of the City of Portland.

Portland, July 3.—Judge John B. Cleland, in the state circuit court yesterday handed down a joint-session decision in which the initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution of Oregon is held to be invalid and no part of the present constitution.

This opinion was given on a demurrer to the complaint in the case of A. A. Kaddery and others against the city of Portland, in which the constitutionality of the amendment was brought into question.

The opinion adverse to the initiative and referendum, is based on the fact of irregularities on the part of the legislative assembly in dealing with the amendments proposed to the constitution.

The causes leading up to the adverse decision began in a proceedings brought to reassess the cost of improvement of East Burnside street, an injunction to restrain the action of the city. The complaint alleges among other things that the case had been adjudicated by a former circuit judge, and that the assessment of 1902 did not become a law till May 21, 1903.

During the course of the suit it became necessary for the court to pass directly on the initiative and referendum amendment, because, if this amendment were constitutional, the city charter would not take effect until 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature. The proceedings were taken before the expiration of the three months. I. A. McNary, city attorney, and John P. Kavanaugh, deputy city attorney, claimed that the referendum amendment was not a part of the constitution; for the reason that the amendment were awaiting action of the legislature at the time this amendment was proposed.

CAN BE BUILT INSIDE THE APPROPRIATION.

A Corps of Topographical Engineers Will Report Officially Concerning Its Cost, in the Near Future.

Salem, Or., July 3.—Engineer A. E. Hammond, of Portland, who was appointed chief engineer by the state board of portage railway commissioners, to make a survey of the proposed site of the Dalles-Columbia railway, and to make a detailed report of his conclusions to the board at the earliest date, came up from Portland yesterday and a brief consultation with the board and made a preliminary verbal report.

Mr. Hammond says that, from the preliminary survey, it appears that the proposed route of the railway, he is of the opinion that the road can be built within the appropriation. \$150,000. Further, he said, a brief report to the board, and a brief consultation with the board and made a preliminary verbal report.

Automobile Awards.

Dublin, July 3.—The official awards for the automobile race have been made today as follows: Janety, German, first prize; Delany, Frenchman, second; Farmer, also a Frenchman, third. The Frenchmen have entered a protest against Janety, claiming he received assistance at one of the control stations.