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### TRAIN CREW IS HELD RESPONSIBLE

Coroner's Jury Reports on Railroad Wreck

### SPEED LIMIT WAS EXCEEDED

Roadmaster Was Criminally Negligent in Not Stopping Train—Track Was Not in Safe Condition

The coroner's jury investigating the cause of the wreck on the Oregon Trunk has finished its labors. The verdict in part is as follows:

"We find that Engineer Myles was exceeding the speed limit. We do also find that Assistant Roadmaster McCurdy was criminally negligent, in that after checking the speed of the train he did not pull the air cord and set the brakes, as he knew this to be a dangerous point, not sufficiently ballasted and practically being a skeleton track at the point of derailment. And we further find that the track was in an unsafe condition as to its gauge and that said gauge was known to McCurdy, roadmaster in charge of the track.

"We further find that the track

at this point is not protected by a slow board. We further find that it has been the general custom to exceed the speed limit at this point, and that this fact has been known to the said McCurdy he having taken no precaution by reporting the facts to a superior officer. We further find that Conductor Cass, in charge of this train, was criminally negligent in not paying proper attention to the speed of his train, allowing said train to approach this dangerous curve at a speed in excess of the speed limit."

### STARVING DOG EATS MASTER'S BONES

While hunting bear near Lava Lake on the Upper Deschutes recently, W. P. Vandervert and sons made a gruesome find. In the cabin formerly occupied by John Fawcett, an old trapper who lived a lonely life in that region, they found a portion of his remains in his blankets, death evidently having occurred months before. His dog, which is thought to have eaten the body, was found at the cabin and is believed to have been there alone for about seven months.

### ADOPT PHONES FOR TRAIN DISPATCHING

Another Western Road to Dispatch its Trains by Telephone

The Oregon Railroad and Navigation company has recently placed an order with the Western Electric company for telephone equipment for a circuit extending from Portland, Oregon, to The Dalles, Oregon, a distance of 90 miles.

Today the telephone has supplanted the telegraph on over 48,000 miles of track on the railroads of this country. Most of

the large trunk lines are using the telephone, and 13 of them have over 1000 miles thus equipped. At a recent convention of the Railway Superintendents of Telegraph, held in Boston, everyone of the seventy-five delegates were positive that it was only a question of a few years when the telephone would largely, if not entirely, supplant the telegraph for use in connection with the handling of train movements. That the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company has adopted this up-to-date method of handling its traffic is significant. It is further proof that the telephone will eventually take the place of the telegraph.

### For Township Plats

The Pioneer office has arranged with the Hudson Land company of The Dalles to take orders at Madras for township blue prints, etc. The price of these plats is fifty cents each. This company can supply promptly corrected plats of any township in The Dalles land district. The Hudson company is also doing considerable business in the way of handling the purchase of isolated tracts for the applicants, which work they do at a very reasonable fee and thereby save the applicant the expense of a trip to the city, and several days time as well. Read their new ad in this issue.

### Abstract Report

Partial list of instruments filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. Issued by Crook County Abstract company, inc., Prineville, Oregon, June 12 to July 15, inclusive.

### PLATS

Mt. Jefferson cemetery. In sec 6, twp 11, range 14.

### COMPLAINTS

Culver Lumber Co. vs. A. H. Robinson and James Poppacos.

### LIENS

Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. vs. W. C. Dempsey. On lot 13, blk 12, Gateway. \$428.40.

Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. vs. G. Northrup and W. H. King. Building on lot 2, blk 3, Gateway. Amount, \$351.10.

Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. vs. Matt Clark et al. Frame store building, Opal City. Amount claimed, \$484.90.

### PATENTS

Mary Friday nw qr, sec 31, twp 9, range 16.

Colby Fleenor, se qr, sec 20, twp 13, range 13.

Daniel F. Arensmeier, nw qr sec 32, twp 11, range 13.

Eugene A. Gillett, lots 1, 2 and shf ne qr, sec 1, twp 12, range 13.

James D. Mayes, lot 3, shf nw qr and nw qr sw qr, sec 1, twp 11, range 13.

James T. Rice, se qr ne qr and ne qr se qr, sec 28; w hf sw qr, sec 27, twp 10 range 14.

Amos A. Burris, se qr ne qr, sec 33, and shf nw qr and ne qr sw qr, sec 34, twp 10, range 14.

### DEEDS

Rea Bros. to Newton Barron, lot 8, blk 11, Madras, \$250.

H. N. Lawrie et al to Fred A. Fulgham, lot 10, blk 30, Culver, \$300.

H. N. Lawrie et al to P. A. Chandler et al, lot 8, blk 20, Culver, \$1.

W. F. Glover et al to Fannie Barkley, lots 9, 10, 11, 12, blk 10, Madras, \$2000.

Wm. H. King et ux to W. R. Cook, lot 15, blk 1, lot 1, blk 7, Gateway, \$230.

Sidney D. Percival et al to Geo. Northrup, ne qr sw qr sec 20, twp 9, range 14, \$2400.

Max Luiddeman to Louis H. Arensmeier, lots 12, 13, blk 8, First add Palmair, \$50.

Will H. See to Oregon Trunk Ry., 150-ft. strip across sw qr sw qr sec 7, twp 10, range 13.

Baldwin Sheep & Land Co. to School District No. 28, 2 acres in nw qr sec 14, twp 11, range 17, \$1.

Wm. C. Moore et ux to Bert R. Haile, se qr nw qr and e hf sw qr sec 27; ne qr nw qr sec 34, twp 11, range 14, \$3000.

James D. Mays et ux to Wm.

H. Taylor et ux, e hf nw qr, sw qr nw qr and sw qr sw qr, sec 1, twp 11, range 13, \$5750.

Geo. Northrup et ux to Sidney D. Percival, lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, w hf lot 8, blk 2; lots 29, 30, blk

G; lots 7, 8, blk 19, Gateway. Edmund Healy to L. Thomas, se qr sw qr and se qr, sec 1; ne qr nw qr and ne qr, sec 12, twp 12, range 11, blk 2; lots 29, 30, blk \$1.

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