

SWEPT TO DEATH FROM THE DECK

D. F. Pyott, Alliance Passenger Loses Life in Heavy Seas.

DIES BEFORE WIFE'S EYES

Overdue Steamer Does Not Reach Astoria Until Early This Morning.

Assistance Was Offered But Declined Owing to Inability to Agree on The Terms—Accident Going Across Bar.

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—The Alliance arrived in Astoria in tow of the tug Tatoosh at 9:50 this morning. D. F. Pyott of Coos Bay is the name of the passenger drowned while the vessel was crossing the bar. Pyott attempted to enter his stateroom and swept overboard. His wife who was standing in the stateroom was knocked back and badly hurt. The Alliance lost its rudder, rudder post and three blades of the propeller crossing the Coos Bay bar.

Cause of Delay. The following special telegram to the Times was delayed and did not reach Marshfield until today. It explains the occasion of the delay in arrival in Astoria.

ASTORIA, Dec. 2.—The steamer Alliance, with rudder and part of her post gone, and under a Jury steering gear, is off the Columbia bar tonight, Captain Olson having declined tow and assistance offered him repeatedly today, by Capt. Bailey, of the bar tug Tatoosh.

Capt. Bailey offered to take off his passengers, but this was also declined. The Tatoosh having stood by till sun down and then returned to port. The weather is rainy and threatening outside and the bar is rough. If the weather holds, the Alliance is expected in the morning, but anxiety is felt as to her chance of crossing the bar successfully with a Jury rudder.

Capt. Olson wanted a fixed price for the service tendered by Capt. Bailey, but the latter protested that he had no authority to quote terms and proposed to leave it to the respective owners of the ships.

BANDON IN DARKNESS

Electric Lighting Plant Closes for a Week To Make Important Improvements.

BANDON, Dec. 3.—The electric lighting plant has closed down for a week or until they can install a conveyor system to supply fuel from the Bandon Shingle Mill's slabbie.

PROSPERITY IN PORTLAND

Despite the Panic All Records Are Broken in November Shipments.

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—For the first time in the history of the port the value of the exports for a single month has exceeded \$2,000,000, no previous 30 days having approached anywhere near those figures. In other words November, 1907, has broken the record of shipping from the Willamette river, setting a new high-water mark which makes the showing of its predecessors look small in comparison. It attests more clearly than anything else could possibly do the growing importance of Portland in the eyes of the commercial world.

In November, 1906, the value of all exports from Portland was \$888,186, which means that the commerce from the Willamette river has almost trebled in the past 12 months. At all events the deep water traffic for the corresponding period last year was only about a third of the proportions attained in the past 30 days.

—Have you noticed the "Style and Fit" of those Adler Raincoats, that you can purchase at Planz's Clothing store? Sacchi Building 2nd and B streets.

BURGLARS WORK IN NORTH BEND

Sherman Saloon Broken Into Early This Morning and Robbed.

NO CLUE TO THE THIEVES

Succeed in Getting Away With Twenty Five Dollars and Prize Watch.

Enter Through Rear Window, Break Open Slot Machine and Take Money and a Few Bottles of Wine.

Sometime between the hours of 4:15 and 5:40 o'clock this morning thieves entered the Sherman saloon in North Bend, broke open the slot machine, securing between \$25.00 and \$30.00, also a prize watch from a punching board and a few bottles of claret wine.

The fact that the work was done so cleverly and quickly indicates that it was no amateur. The proprietor of the saloon, Joe Shira, closed the place at 4:15 and went home. About 5:40 the day bartender, George Murphy, came on and on entering found that some one had been busy. The slot machine was broken and its contents gone; also the prize watch that is given with a punching board game and a few bottles of claret wine. It was evident that the thief or thieves, were familiar with the working hours and had to hurry to complete the work. An open window in the rear of the saloon was evidence of the mode by which entrance was effected. There is no clue to the thieves.

EAST MARSHFIELD GROWING RAPIDLY

School Census Shows That It Is Growing Like a Green Bay Tree And Babies are Numerous.

East Marshfield comes to the front with the figures that it is no laggard in the prosperity and progress race now on at Coos Bay. The following statistic of the school census confirm its right to be considered as progressive as any section of Coos Bay:

November School Census... 88 February School Census... 62

Total increase... 26 In addition to this an enthusiastic resident says that the arrival of new babies may be classified as too numerous to mention. It is evident that East Marshfield will make all the others look to their laurels.

ENGLISH SOCIETY TRIES WRESTLING

Old Form of Athletic Contests One of Recent Fads of Britons.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—Society has found a new diversion to beguile the tedium of big country house parties. It is wrestling, a sport which affords muscular young men an opportunity to display their prowess. As most of the young men who attend these gatherings of the elect are far better equipped with muscles than with brains, the pastime has become exceedingly popular. The contests usually take place after dinner. Lord Dalmeny, Lord Rosebery's heir, and his brother, the Hon. Nell Primrose, have attained remarkable proficiency in the art, but with most of the amateur swells the contests resolve themselves into merely brute contests of brute strength.

There is an element of danger in it, too, Jack Churchill, Winston's brother, has discovered to his cost. Unlike Winston, Jack had no hope of attaining distinction by intellectual work, but in wrestling he thought he saw a chance to gain some applause on his own account. At a house party a week ago he had a bout with his young stepfather, George Cornwallis West, who, like himself, is more conspicuous for his muscular than for his cranial development. The stepfather won, and in throwing Jack dislocated his knee to undergo an operation. His cap, in consequence Churchill had mother, who is best known to America as Lady Randolph Churchill, is concerned as to what the result will be. It is feared that he may be rendered permanently lame, which, as he is one of the best waltzers in London, would still further limit the fields of distinction that are open to him.

Good Evening

The Times greets its readers this evening at a new hour of the day and under new management. Hereafter it will be issued regularly every weekday evening. The writer has secured an option on the stock of the Coos Bay Times Pub. Co. and will be in absolute control of the paper pending the prospective transfer of ownership. This control of the business applies also to the policies and principles for which the paper stands. Performance rather than promise shall characterize the assurance to the public of the future line of conduct of the paper. Unhappily by any local entanglements, political, social or commercial it shall be the purpose of the new publisher to print a newspaper that will at all times stand for the welfare and best interests of the cities of Coos Bay and Coos county. The Times sole guide shall be the public good. It bespeaks the helpful co-operation of its readers in the achievement of such a purpose.

The new management has faith in the future of Coos Bay. The Times will be a constant and consistent promoter of this faith. There are no friends to reward or enemies to punish in the columns of this paper. There are no prejudices to promote or favors to fight for. The general welfare of Coos Bay will be the chief concern of The Times in the discussion of matters of public policy. It will be as free and as independent as the breezes that kiss the forest clad hills of old Coos in fond caress. It cannot be bribed or browbeaten into supporting any policy or principle that it considers inimical to the public good. It will give the news without fear or favor and advocate such principles as it deems worthy of being supported. It may err in its judgment at times for it lays no claim to infallibility, but its position on any public question will never be dictated by self interest or controlled by patronage. It proposes to say what it pleases, when it pleases and about whom it pleases, without prejudice or favor. It considers the welfare of the community as a whole at all times superior to the selfish interests of the individual.

These will be the guiding principles of The Coos Bay Times under its new management. They are the embodiment of the "square deal for every man." They are not adjustable like a patent shade roller, and cannot be altered for every subscriber or changed to suit the whim of every reader. When a man subscribes for The Times he is considered a member of its family but he does not buy its editorial opinions any more than he is compelled to endorse them. No one will be denied a hearing in its columns. Any man can take issue with the editorial opinions expressed herein and he will be accorded an opportunity to present his views. No man is so poor that he cannot get a hearing; no man is so rich that he can purchase a single line of editorial endorsement contrary to the honest convictions of the editor.

While it will ever be the purpose of The Times to boom and boost every project for the material advancement of Coos Bay it will not lose sight of the moral side of public questions. It hopes to be always found in the vanguard of progress, ever onward, ever upward to the table lands of light and liberty where on every every human forehead shines the glory of a God.

—M. C. MALONEY

STEAMER HAS NARROW ESCAPE NEAR BANDON

LIZZIE PRIEN DRIFTS ON ROCKS AT LOW TIDE

Prompt Action of the Life Saving Crew Results in Rescue Before Much Damage Is Done.

BANDON, Dec. 2.—The gasoline steamer Washelore and schooner Lizzie Prien entered Saturday. The Prien experienced a narrow escape from being wrecked on the north jetty. She attempted to sail in on low tide, when opposite the jetty the wind failed her and she drifted on the rocks, but owing to the prompt action of the life saving crew, she was towed inside before serious damage was done.

PAY CASH, SAY BANKS

Welcome Task of Retiring Certificates Begins.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The first step toward retiring the clearing house certificates in this city was taken, when the executive committee of the clearing house ordered destroyed \$25,000 worth of certificates that have been paid back to the clearing house. David R. Forgan, president of the First National Bank, announced this action at the weekly dinner of the Chicago Association of Commerce and added that the procedure will be continued daily "until the entire issue is paid back and normal conditions are restored."

"We have received answers from 1000 of the banks questioned regarding resumption of specie payments," said Mr. Forgan. Just 998 of them declare themselves ready for such resumption at once. The other two asked for a little longer time, but merely for the purpose of ascertaining if the time is ripe for such a move. The answers come from all sections of the south, middle west and northwest. About 6000 letters were sent out, and answers are coming in by the hundreds daily.

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PLEASE GO AWAY AND LET ME SLEEP

PENNSYLVANIA MAN TAKES A NAP FOR A WEEK.

Seized by Fit of Drowsiness While at Work in a Colliery and Cannot Be Wakened.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 3.—Though death visited his home early in the week and carried off his young sister, Burt Seward, twenty years of age, of this city, is not aware of it.

He was sleeping when the girl died and he was still sleeping when she was buried. He has been asleep for a week.

Seward was suddenly seized with a fit of drowsiness while at work in the Archibald colliery a week ago, and was unable to remain awake. He went home and went to bed, and he has never left his room since.

He awoke once for a few moments. Physicians diagnose his case as narcolepsy.

KISSING NO ASSAULT UNLESS RESISTED

London Magistrate Refuses To Hear Evidence When the Girl Admits She Raised No Objection.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—"The law of kissing" was raised before the Highgate magistrates yesterday when "Rev. Walter Butcher" of 2 Torrington park, north Finchley, was summoned by Caroline Withers, a servant girl of 16, for assault.

Before the case was heard defendant's solicitor said his client did not suggest that he was entitled to the word "reverend."

The good looking complainant said that she was engaged at the house where Mr. Butcher was lodging.

Twice in one night he kissed her. She raised no objections because she did not wish to make a fuss. She did not like it.

Sir Francis Cory-Wright—You were a passive resister.

Witness said Butcher kissed her the next morning, but she did not raise any objection.

Sir Francis interposed with the remark that the summons was for assault. If a man kissed a girl and she consented that could not be held to be an assault. The case would be dismissed.

Mr. Butcher's solicitor said his client denied the story, but the bench refused to hear anything further of the case.

—Electric Irons and Electric Portables at Milner's.

TEN THOUSAND MEN AT WORK

Resume Construction of Harriman Lines All Over the West.

GETS THE COIN IN GOTHAM

Railway Men Say Announcement Can Only Be Result of Better Times.

The Beginning of the End of the Panic Celebrated by the March of the Dinner Pail Brigade.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Construction work on the Harriman system, which was discontinued a few weeks ago, was resumed all along the line yesterday, December 2.

According to officials of the road 10,000 men were put back to work.

When the weather becomes too severe in Kansas and Nebraska, the workmen will be moved to the Pacific coast, and the rebuilding of the line between Los Angeles and San Francisco will begin.

The entire Pacific coast will be benefited, as work which was abandoned on the Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. extensions was resumed at the same time.

Work will be pushed on the joint line from Eureka to San Francisco, which is being built by Harriman and the Santa Fe. This road is supposed to be a continuation of the coast line to Portland via Coos Bay and other coast points, and it is understood that all work on the north coast will be resumed also.

Railroad authorities here declare that this announcement can only be the result of better times throughout the country generally and New York in particular. It is argued by these people that the work could not be resumed had not Harriman been able to obtain money in New York, which indicates a great improvement in conditions there.

Among the first to feel the impetus will be the Snake river extension of the Oregon Short Line from Huntington to Lewiston, where the camps are still maintained for about 2,000 men. This extension is regarded as one of the most important, in view of the Union Pacific company's determination to hold against all threatened competition the water grade route through from Green River to the Pacific.

The extension of the Harriman roads from Portland to Puget Sound is also included in the plans for immediate construction. Harriman has spent immense sums of money in the Sound cities acquiring terminal and rights of way, and has begun construction of the Tacoma tunnel. The plans for a similar tunnel have also been accepted for Portland peninsula, and large amounts of money have been invested on Portland peninsula to acquire rights of way to the Columbia river bridge under construction by the Portland & Seattle.

The Klamath county construction has not been discontinued, and added forces will be put on to rush this work through. It is expected the line will be continued on steadily north of Klamath Falls to the proposed connection at Natron, giving Portland a direct route to the Klamath country.

Main line strengthening from Portland to The Dalles will be resumed. The work from Drain to Coos Bay may not be taken up until next spring. The Central Oregon line known as the Oregon Eastern, from Natron to Vale, will probably not be given consideration until next year. There are numerous small extensions, including the Hwaco road and others, that will take precedence.

NOTICE

—All members of Coos Tribe No. 33, I. O. R. M. are requested to meet at their Wigwam Dec. 4th., 1907 at 7 p. m. for the purpose of drilling for the big adoption that takes place Dec. 7, 1907.

By Sachem H. McLAIN.

TODAYS BATTLE OF THE BALLOTS

Intense Interest in Election Shown by Heavy Vote Polled.

AVERAGE TWO PER MINUTE

Both Sides Working Like Beavers To Secure Supporters.

All the Vehicles and Boats Pressed Into Service to Give Voters Free Transportation to The Polls.

THE TOTAL VOTE CAST UP TO 2:30 THIS AFTERNOON WAS 507.

The municipal election opened this morning at nine o'clock for the most exciting contest that Marshfield has ever witnessed. The board was on hand and had the booths and books ready for business by the time of opening. The judges are Al Owens, John Bear and Captain Lightner; the clerks, Charles Marsh, I. R. Tower and Clarence Pennock. Fred Gattins and L. C. Darcke were present to represent the Citizen's ticket as challengers, and Hugh McLain was for Straw. Claude Nasburg kept tab on the voters and was representing Mayor Straw.

Never in the history of the city has there been such intense interest in a mayoralty election. Each side has an automobile whisking about the city and bringing in the voters; several livery rigs are likewise engaged in the same line. Placards announce the side the transports are engaged with and the voter can find free transportation to the polls without looking for it. Billie Taylor's two dogs are carrying two placards advising the voter to support Straw.

All the morning there was a line of voters at the polls, extending from the voting room on the second floor of the city hall to the street. The first hour recorded a total of more than two votes per minute, 132 being polled before 10 o'clock. There were seven booths furnished for the electors and most of them were occupied the greater part of the forenoon. The challengers were busy all the time. The growth of the city has brought so many new voters in that the challengers were unable to distinguish who were entitled to vote and who were not.

The mass meetings of last night worked up an unusual amount of enthusiasm which was demonstrated in today's voting. It has been less than a week since it was found there was to be any excitement in the campaign, but it has grown steadily in that time it has been at fever heat. The streets were thronged with the partisans of both sides and the arguments and conversations were of the earnest sort.

NOTES FROM BANDON

Newsy Items From Busy Coast City Told by the Times Special Correspondent.

BANDON, Dec. 3.—The steamers Elizabeth, Bandon and Sotoyome and the schooner C. F. Hill are loaded and waiting, enroute to San Francisco. They left on tide yesterday.

The athletic meet at the Club gymnasium was well attended; the basketball team captained by Miss Ina Blacklesly defeated Miss Hazel Stephenson's team 7 to 2, and the Clerk's team captained by E. Boat, defeated the All Stars, captained by E. Rose by a 10 to 8 score.

Mr. E. P. Sheldon, of Portland, is in town in the interests of the Lumber Manufacturing Agency.

C. Timmons, the cannery man, left yesterday for Alaska accompanied by his wife and daughter, Miss Ethel.

—See that beautiful hand painted China at Milner's.

What do you think of crushed rock for street improvement? We understand the city engineers condemned it some time ago.