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OVER 250 LIVES ARE LOST IN SOUTHERN ITALY DEVASTATION

Tornado, Cloudburst, Tidal Wave and Volcano Eruption Sweep Coast.

LARGE AREA IS AFFECTED BY IT

Peculiar Combination of Elements Wreak Destruction Near Naples.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NAPLES, Italy, Oct. 25.—The beautiful coasts of the Bay of Naples and the Gulf Salerno and the Islands of Ischia and Procida have been devastated by a peculiar combination of elements. The number of victims is estimated at 250 persons. The monetary loss is great. The disaster appears to have been the work of a tornado having three centers, the first over the Island of Torre Del Greco, and the third sweeping the Gulf of Salerno.

AERONAUT IS KILLED.

Prussian Army Officer Victim of Wright Machine. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

JACK JOHNSON IN AUTO RACE

Black Pugilist Fails to Wrest Honors From Barney Oldfield Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Barney Oldfield had no trouble in defeating Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, when that individual today aspired to wrest from Oldfield the honors of the automobile track. In the first heat, Oldfield beat Johnson a quarter of a mile in five miles. The time was four minutes and 44 seconds. In the second and deciding heat, Oldfield won by fifty yards in slower time.

GRAND JURY BEGINS.

(From Roseburg News.) Judge John S. Coke, candidate for circuit judge from Coos county, and the running mate on the republican ticket of Hon. B. F. Jones, of Douglas county, has proved himself, during the recent term of circuit court, not only a most courteous gentleman, but a judge of rare ability who at all times dispenses justice in a fair and impartial manner.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—Wheat unchanged. CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Wheat closed as follows: December, 92 3-4c; May, 99 1-2c; July, 96 3-8c.

LAMPS at MILNER'S.

Read The Times' Want Ads.

IS FOUND DEAD IN FLOAT HOUSE WOULD SEND BALLOON IN QUEST OF MISSING AERONAUTS

ANTONE DRAKE PASSES AWAY Suddenly and Coroner Golden Investigates Case to Ascertain Cause.

J. A. Drake, generally known as Antone Drake, died suddenly about 8 o'clock this morning in the float house of John Hongell on North Front street. The exact cause of death has not been determined and is being made the occasion of a coroner's inquest this afternoon.

HIRED GIRLS BRING DIVORCE

Idle Wife Pouts When Hard Working Husband Wants to Stay at Home.

CHICAGO, October 25.—Women whose husbands earn \$2,500 a year have no business to keep a servant, according to Mrs. Idah McGlone Gibson, editor of the Woman Beautiful.

"We hear about the lax marriage ideas of modern France, but the United States records show one divorce in every twelve marriages. There is a reason, and that is the women of America marry men and then look out for a good time, shirking the responsibility of the business of married life. They sit around the house during the day, and when their husbands come home at night, tired out with the hard day's work, they want to go out to spend the evening."

LISBON HAS BIG STRIKE ON

Portugal Has Soldiers and Firemen Replace Freight Wagon Drivers in Capital (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LISBON, Oct. 25.—Eight thousand express and freight wagon drivers are on a strike. Soldiers and firemen are being utilized for the transportation of the necessities of life.

PERSONAL OVERFLOW.

Mrs. Maud B. Watkins has returned from Salem, Ore., and other northern points. At Salem, she attended the W. C. T. U. meeting and attended another convention at Portland.

Rev. G. LeRoy Hall is expected home Wednesday from Eastern Oregon where he has been spending his vacation.

JUDGE JOHN F. HALL went to Coquille this morning to attend a meeting of the Coos County Board of Equalization. It is expected that the board will complete its work by Friday.

common laborer. For a time he was in the employ of the Coos Bay Water company and later worked for the Gas and Electric Company. Last evening with a number of friends, he was out for a good time. John Hongell told Coroner Golden that Mr. Drake had not drunk excessively, though.

He spent the night at Hongell's and this morning, Mr. Hongell stated he noticed something was wrong, and quickly called Marshal Carter who summoned Coroner Golden. The body was not yet cold when the coroner arrived. Appearances indicated apoplexy or acute alcoholism was the cause of death.

Drake appeared to be between 35 and 40 years old. Letters found on his person indicated that he had formerly been at Astoria and Deepwater, Wash.

FILES PROTEST ON ASSESSMENT

Southern Pacific and C. A. Smith Companies Object to Douglas County Tax

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 24. — The biggest and one of the next biggest holders of Douglas county lands presented petitions to the board of equalization asking for reductions in assessed valuations. They are the Oregon & California Railroad Company (Southern Pacific) and the C. A. Smith Timber Company. The railroad company owns 645,017 acres of land in this county, on which Assessor Calkins has placed a valuation of \$5,672,125, an average value of \$8.79 an acre.

RED FLAG IN FRANCE AGAIN

Anarchists Issue Circular Threatening Lives of Cabinet Members There. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Oct. 25.—President Fallières and members of his cabinet are guarded constantly as a result of the appearance of an anarchistic circular condemning the ministers to death because of the conviction in the courts of militant members among the railway strikers.

LEAVE FOR PORTLAND.

(From Bandon Recorder) Clint Malehorn, who has been in the general freighting business between Bandon and Langlois for a number of years, accompanied by his wife and little child, left today on their way to Portland, where they intend to make their home in the future. Mr. Malehorn leased his ranch for five years to Mr. Syphers.

WHEN voting for sheriff, experience counts. Who has it? Why W. W. Gage.

NOTED CASE ENDED TODAY

Trouble Between United States and Venezuela Settled By The Hague Court.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) THE HAGUE, Oct. 25.—The International Court of Arbitration rendered its decision in the Orinoco claims case today.

The Barge award was declared null on four points and the American Company is awarded \$46,867 with three per cent interest since June 16, 1903 and \$7,000 costs. The judgment is to be paid by Venezuela within two months. The tribunal rejected the American contention on other points in the dispute. The decision disposes of the long standing dispute between the United States and Venezuela. The Orinoco Steamship Company, a New Jersey corporation, was granted certain exclusive privileges by Venezuela, which subsequently were repudiated by President Castro, and a suit for \$1,400,000 damages was begun. The case was submitted to Dr. Charles Barge who, as umpire, February 2, 1904, and awarded the company damages of \$28,700. The company appealed to the American government which refused to accept the decision.

NO SIGHT OF DREDGE OR TUG

Oregon and Daring Not Off Coos Bay Yet — Rough Weather Outside.

The dredge Oregon and the tug Daring which is towing her from Grays Harbor to Coos Bay had not been sighted off Coos Bay at noon today. Keeper Will Denning of the Cape Arago Lighthouse was keeping a sharp lookout for her and reported that he had been unable to catch sight of the crafts even with a strong glass. It was reported this morning that the Daring and the Oregon had been sighted off the bar yesterday, but this was without foundation. A similar report was that they had passed Coos Bay and put in at the Coquille. The sea must be rather rough. At noon, Empire reported that a north-west gale was prevailing there. Owing to the rough weather, more or less apprehension is felt here for the Oregon as she is not overly seaworthy.

ANOTHER COAST CRAFT.

(From Bandon Recorder) The Randolph left Thursday on her first trip to Port Orford and Rogue river. She is a fine little craft and will ply along the coast regularly between the Shuslaw and Rogue river, and will stop in at the ports between.

Wednesday evening, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Tucker, Harry Armstrong and Anna Tucker were married. The groom is in the employ of the Life Saving Service, and the bride is well and very favorably known, having lived in this city the most of her life.

Thos. Coates, who has been laid up with paralysis since Christmas, was down town Wednesday in his wheel chair. This was only the second time he had ventured out since his stroke.

WHY should Railroads be watched? Because of their record; who can do it efficiently? Why, Hugh McLain, he is honest, capable and untiring.

St. Louis Men Have Novel Plan For Rescuing Crew of "America III."

PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE NOW

Canadians Also Active In Effort to Succor Lost Americans.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ST. LOUIS, Oct. 25.—Preparations to send a balloon with supplies after Hawley and Post, the crew of the missing "America III," were hastened today. Louis Von Phul will pilot the relief balloon.

PREPARE FOR RESCUE.

Gather Data For Sending Out Parties to Search For Aeronauts. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

OTTAWA, Can., Oct. 25. — The work of systematizing the search for Hawley, Post and the "America III," is well under way. Edmond F. Stratton of the Aero Club of America, is preparing a map from the data already received. It will indicate the course the balloons are known to have crossed Georgian Bay and from these deductions will be made. Stratton is confident a definite trail can be established which will lead to the rescue of the missing aeronauts. Mr. Stratton says it would be ridiculous to send out expeditions until this data is on hand and properly summarized. The "America III" was filled with food for four days and materials for securing fish and game which are plentiful in all parts of the region in which the "America III" is supposed to have landed.

BAND TO JOIN THE RESERVES

Hope to Have Two Divisions of Oregon Branch on Coos Bay.

At a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce last evening, forty-eight men signed up for the First Division of the Oregon Naval Reserve here. After talks by Lieutenant Stone, R. O. Graves, Mayor E. E. Straw, Rev. J. Richard Olson and others, it was decided to try and enlist the Second Division at once so that the mustering in officer can organize the two on his trip here soon. It is suggested that the Coos Bay Concert Band members might enlist in a body and thus afford a musical organization for the reserve. This is being taken up today.

ELECTIONS IN GREECE.

King Dissolves National Assembly There. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the State Department states that the King of Greece has signed a decree dissolving the National Assembly. The present government will remain in power pending the new elections of December.

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