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## STEAMER LINER PRINCE GEORGE STRIKES REEF NEAR VANCOUVER

Grand Trunk Pacific's Fine Vessel In Serious Position This Afternoon. FOG BLAMED FOR THE ACCIDENT. On at High Tide and Have Trouble Keeping Her From Tipping Over

Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 19.—Grand Trunk Pacific's crack steamer Prince George went aground in a dense fog this morning while making the harbor coming from Victoria. She struck on a rock and the tide was at its highest within half an hour after she struck, and it is feared she will be high and dry low tide this afternoon. The crew is keeping her from tipping over will be a serious one. The vessel has thirty or forty passengers and is in no danger.

It does not now appear whether the vessel is seriously damaged. The vessel was proceeding very slowly when she bumped on the rocks. A number of passengers have been rescued from the stranded vessel.

**WILL STOP TREATING.** (By Associated Press.) TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 19.—Tacoma's anti-treating ordinance did not take effect today owing to the fact that petitions have been filed with 4,000 signatures asking for a referendum election. This election will be held within ninety days unless the city commissioners repeal the ordinance. Mayor Sawett says he will resign unless the ordinance is ratified and enforced.

Everything for Christmas at NORTON & HANSEN'S TWO STORES.

**BROUGHT SAFE FOR THE CITY**  
The plant arrives in from San Francisco after hard trip.

## GIVE BANQUET AT CHANDLER

Coos Bay Men Spend Jolly Evening Together at Festal Board.

Serving jointly as a farewell to W. S. McFarland and an aftermath to the Coos Bay Deep Water Carnival, a little banquet was held at The Chandler Saturday evening which was one of the events of the season. Only about a dozen well-known Marshfield and North Bend men were invited and polite and good fellowship reigned supreme.

Mayor E. E. Straw presided as toastmaster and a siphon-bottle served as his gavel to notify those responding to toasts that their time was up. Nearly everyone present responded. Some of the subjects said to have been assigned by Toastmaster Straw follow:  
"My Second Debut"—E. K. Jones.  
"My Port Commission" and "How I won the Port Case"—J. W. Bennett  
"Getting the Money"—W. P. Murphy.  
"Too Much Wilbur"—R. M. Jennings.  
"Minus an Appendix"—Dr. Geo. E. Dix.  
"Figuring Per Centages"—Hugh McLain.  
"Straightening Out Tammany Hall" Murphy and "Coos Bay" Murphy—Arthur McKeown.  
"The Real Showman"—R. A. Wernich.  
There were others but the official program got lost.

Among those present were J. W. Bennett, Arthur McKeown, W. S. McFarland, A. H. Powers, W. P. Murphy, Hugh McLain, R. M. Jennings, R. A. Wernich, J. W. Gardiner, Dr. Dix, E. K. Jones and E. E. Straw and J. Albert Matson.

**Matt Miller, Tail-Sawyer at Smith Mill, Crushed to Death This Morning.**  
Matt Miller, a tall-sawyer at the C. A. Smith mill, was instantly killed this morning by being caught between a log and the carriage. While a number of employes were working around him, so he could be assisted if necessary, he was not seen until he was caught and thrown into the mill.

**MR. and MRS. LINDSTROM** of Cooscon, were Marshfield shoppers today. Their son, Victor Lindstrom, plans to leave next week for Corvallis where he will take a course at the Oregon State Agricultural college.  
**CHAS. JOHNSON** of North Inlet, was among the holiday visitors in Marshfield today.  
**HENRY CARLSON** and wife of North Inlet, are Marshfield visitors today.

## LET US TALK IT OVER

I KNEW when I entered this fight to drive out one of the most monstrous agencies for evil that ever cursed any community I would be made the target of vilification, vile abuse and scandalous lies. It was with a complete knowledge of what would follow that I undertook the performance of a duty that was as necessary as it was unpleasant. When I came into control of the Coos Bay Times I presented the paper to this community and dedicated it to the promotion of the welfare of its people. During the years that have followed I have tried to live up to the pledges and promises then made. I have tried to play the game square. I may have exaggerated occasionally in the hope of provoking a smile or drying a tear; or cheering some unfortunate brother who was beginning to feel that the world was running wrong. I may have done these things, I say, and without trying to recall any specific instance I rather glory in the belief I have. But on questions of public concern—questions and issues affecting the welfare of the people of Coos Bay and Coos county—I have tried to tell the truth; to furnish none but reliable information; to stand at all times for the "square deal"; to advocate what I honestly believed to be right—whether such opinions were popular or otherwise, and without regard to any effect such a course would have on the business department of the paper.

It was not until the unspeakable vilification of a local publication became such that it was a reproach and shame to every resident of this city that I knew it was my duty to speak out against it. And I speak not as one without authority. At an early age I left the high school room to enter a newspaper office. I have worked on newspapers all my life in various parts of the country and never in all my experience anywhere have I seen a paper so coarse and vile and filthy as this infamous sheet printed in Marshfield. I have been in so-called border towns of the west where the people were tough and the papers were representative of the people, but never anything so fearful as this vicious publication. I have been in mining camps where even bad men who had good families would as soon think of bringing their children into a rattle-snake den as into a camp where the only women were courtesans, and the papers there filled with coarse and ribald jest, though they were, never printed anything as indecently suggestive as this unutterable and execrable sheet has distributed upon the streets of this city. There are a number of states in the Union that have passed special legislation for the suppression of the Police Gazette. I have read the Police Gazette and also this fearful monstrosity and will say the Police Gazette is a Sunday school journal by comparison.

This vile sheet is sometimes compared to the Sunday Mercury. That paper never printed the coarse, lewd and suggestive stories that this sheet has. The Kansas City Sunday Sun, another unclean sheet of the Middle West, never printed anything so vile as this Marshfield publication, but the editors of the Sunday Sun were sent to the penitentiary and the publication suppressed. At one time when Chicago was a wide-open town, a man named Dunlop printed a daily paper called the Dispatch that circulated in the red light district. It never printed as filthy and scandalous stories as this unspeakable thing, but its editor wore stripes for five years in Joliet.

One vile story printed in this sheet a few weeks ago was such as should bring a blush of shame to the evil minded of the lowest brothel and yet it found its way into the hands of school children and men and women of this community. When these things were tolerated I felt it my duty to sound a warning note. When all that is sweetest and most sacred in life is assailed, when children are corrupted, homes debauched and honest manhood and virtuous womanhood defamed it is time that someone defend.

To have clean, healthy, normal minded boys and girls you cannot poison their fresh minds and pure hearts with the indecently suggestive stories given currency by this wretched paper.

The school is one of the places where we have a right to expect the formation of character. The teacher exists not merely to give information about things of art, history, literature, science and useful things of practical life, but to teach the elements of right conduct and fine manners and to inspire the pupils with desires for manliness and womanliness. The true teacher is fellow-worker with the parent and the parent.

These to turn have no right to shift all the burden of educating the children in school as well as mind and body.

Judge Lindsay of Denver, whose experience and success with delinquents is well known to all, believes that in the grammar grades it would be helpful to have the teachers talk frequently with the children on such subjects as evil associations, language and thoughts, mutual duties, purity of life, truthfulness and cleanliness. "Children," he holds, "will not live up to these standards if properly presented. Nothing interests them so much and contributes more to their real education."

Such things are essential to the normal development of the child and it is the duty of the parent and the teacher to see that they are given.

It is not pleasant to expose one's friends to an unpleasant view of their own faults but when it will do good to the community it is a duty to do so. Men engaged in a purely commercial struggle may avoid these unpleasant situations by a certain degree, but it is the duty of the editor to speak when he feels that duty bids him speak and in the interests of his calling.

When I saw that the venomous sheet that was poisoning the mind of this community might find official sanction for approval, I felt it time to awaken the sleeping conscience of the people. I know the moral standard and business men of Marshfield did not consciously approve. In this I was not mistaken. All that was needed was an awakening of their situation. The splendid action of the business men and the associations of the people were proof and the response was immediate. I promised there would be no discussion and there would have been need of none if the degenerate papers who were sponsors for this fearful sheet were alone in their vile work. When I learned that other more influential men were backing their nefarious scheme, I determined that the fight would be continued until these men were driven into the open or this vile scandal monger driven to a dishonorable death. This pledge will be fulfilled. This fight will continue until this vile thing is suppressed or this community is compelled by its graven stones to acknowledge its complicity in the criminal business of corrupting children, debauching homes and defaming womanhood and manhood.

There is general denunciation of the vilification and viciousness of this shameful sheet but a seemingly lack of knowledge of a definite method of suppressing it. That should be easy. Instead of a diffusion of individual denunciation let there be cohesion of effort and concerted action. There should be sufficient conscience and courage in the Christian people of this community to act unitedly. If they do this the town can be made too hot to hold these characterless curs or the men behind them unless they withdraw their support. The commercial bodies of the city should act in the same manner. Of what use is it to contribute to the upbuilding of this community and then tolerate a scandalous sheet that if any man with a family should read it he would never bring his family here or if he did he would not be a desirable citizen for any community.

Every reputable business firm in the city has withdrawn its advertising.

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## THIRTEEN KILLED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION IN NEW YORK CITY

### TO ENLARGE THE REDONDO

Steamer Will Have Accommodations For Sixteen More Passengers.

The Redondo sailed yesterday for San Francisco and San Pedro, and on her return here next week will have accommodations for sixteen more passengers. While south, her decks will be altered so that the special hall and purser's room will be moved up and additional berths installed. For some time, she has been overcrowded, passengers having to be turned away almost every trip and it was decided to have her passenger accommodations enlarged at once.

The Redondo will stop at San Francisco both ways and will sail from there for Coos Bay December 27.

Among those sailing from here on her yesterday were the following:

T. C. Nowlin, Mrs. R. F. Williams, Frances Williams, C. A. Duke, Mrs. Maud Mauzey, Fred A. Webster, Mrs. Maud Painter, J. Anderson, Mrs. J. Anderson, Mrs. Yates, J. A. Klein, Miss Pauline Shirley, Alex. Johnson, Mrs. Alex. Johnson, Arthur Brown, J. C. Yandell, R. K. Dresser, Mrs. L. B. Yandell, Hoyle Yandell, J. M. Blake, Mrs. E. E. Straw, W. J. Robertson, Mrs. W. J. Robertson, May A. Robertson, Walter Robertson, J. W. Broadbent, E. E. Brando, Sam Shipple, Albert Erickson, Tom Hetty, L. B. Pray, G. Marks, L. H. Lane, M. P. Loyey, Frank Roger, John Israel, S. Bentham, F. C. Walkup.

## DELAY RAISE LUMBER RATE

Interstate Commerce Commission Suspends Proposed Increase by Railways.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—The proposed freight tariffs advancing the rates on lumber, shingles and other timber products east bound from North Pacific ports were suspended today by the Interstate Commerce Commission until April 15, 1911. The tariffs were to have become effective December 24. They were filed by the agent of the Transcontinental Freight Bureau for traffic originating on the Tacoma & Eastern and would affect various railroad lines operating west of Chicago.

**BORN.**  
RAAB—To Superintendent and Mrs. A. G. Raab of North Bend, Saturday, December 17, 1910, a son. Mother and child are doing nicely.

**NORTH BEND ITEMS.**  
Rev. E. R. Blackman of Seattle, who has been filling the pulpit of the North Bend Presbyterian church for the last three Sundays, left today for his home. It is not certain whether he will accept a call from the North Bend congregation.

John Metley of Marshfield, spent Sunday with friends in North Bend.

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YOU OUGHT TO KNOW Haines flour is good.

If in doubt why to get her, try a look at NORTON & HANSEN.

Fifty Others Seriously Injured In Disaster In Gotham This Morning. HEAVY DAMAGE IS DONE TO PROPERTY Accident Occurs at New Power Plant Building Near Terminal Station.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Thirteen persons lost their lives, fifty were injured and a thousand people were badly shaken up in an explosion of the car lighting gas tanks and dynamite in the new six-story power station of the New York Central which is under course of construction at Fifth street and Lexington avenue today. Nine bodies have been recovered, and the bodies of four workmen are believed to be in the wreckage.

The victims included two women. The force of the explosion shattered hundreds of windows in the big hotels and apartment houses in the neighborhood of the railroad terminal, causing great alarm among the guests.

The dynamite blast picked up a northbound trolley car lifted it in the air, set it crashing down upon an automobile which was passing on the other side of the street. Four of the passengers were killed. Railroad service was only temporarily interrupted.

The new substation power house where the explosion occurred is at Fifth street and Lexington avenue and is half a dozen blocks north of the Grand Central station. The explosion partly wrecked a fire engine house nearby and prevented the firemen getting the apparatus into the street. A number of priests hurried to the scene and administered the last rites.

The power house which was built of stone and brick and is six stories high, took fire after the explosion, the interior being practically burned out. Just what caused the double explosion probably never will be known.

Officials of the railroad learned that there were many workmen in the building at the time of the explosion and that but few of these were required for.

In the little theater adjoining the building directly opposite the power house, 175 men and women who were on their way to breakfast were thrown to the floor by the blast. They were not seriously injured and several were taken to hospitals. The distance to the power house and other buildings is only a few feet.

The police have been making an investigation of the cause. Their opinion is that the explosion occurred in some gas tanks which were connected to some dynamite which one of the officials of the New York Central said he understood was stored in the power house.

Numerous theories are advanced to account for the explosion. One is that a stray spark from the third rail caused a short circuit and ignited some gas escaping from the tank. One workman was smothered from a motor car and brought back from the fire set off the 22d.

At least two of the injured are expected to die.

**OVERWORK FATAL.**

(By Associated Press.)  
NORTH YAKIMA, Dec. 19.—Thomas H. Wallace, of Tacoma, formerly a prominent banker of the Pacific northwest, died here today of ailments brought on by over-work.

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