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FEAR THIRTY-FIVE LIVES LOST ON ROSECRANS AT ASTORIA

Associated Oil Co.'s Big Tank Steamer Wrecked at Entrance of Columbia.

TRIFIC STORM IS NOW PREVAILING THERE

el from San Francisco Attempted to Enter During Thick Weather.

ROSECRANS' OFFICERS. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ASTORIA, Jan. 7.—The following officers of the Rosecrans are believed to be dead: Chief Engineer Grundell, First Assistant Engineer J. McPherson, Second Assistant Engineer...

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 7.—Running in the sixty miles gale in weather which her officers could not their bearings, the oil steamer Rosecrans, bound from San Francisco to Portland, with a cargo of oil, wrecked on Peacock Spit at the entrance to this harbor. It is believed that her crew of 35 men have been saved.

to tug boats are stationed by the life saving crews are endeavoring to reach the vessel but their efforts have been futile, high seas the gale preventing them from reaching the ship. There is little probability that any of the crew will be saved.

noon the vessel with the exception of her funnel and one mast, entirely under water. There were three men clinging to rigging of the exposed mast, but they can be rescued, they can survive.

Weather is bitter cold. When the Rosecrans struck, her wireless operator sent calls for assistance. These calls were picked up by the local station and local tugs the Tatoosh were dispatched to assistance. The life saving station at Fort Canby and Point Adair were reached by telephone and immediately put out for the Rosecrans. The life saving crews had a journey as a gale sixty miles sweeping up from the south the sea into a foam and big broke over the crews as the boats struggled through the waves. When they reached the vicinity of the Rosecrans, it was found possible to reach the vessel and two boats with two tugs cruised searching for possible survivors. So far as is known none of the crew was picked up and it is not believed that any survived.

Rosecrans has been an ill-fated vessel. While taking oil at Astoria, August 27, 1912, she was wrecked and burned to the water's edge. In March of the following year she was driven on the rocks at Gaviota and two of her crew were killed. She was built in Glasgow, 1883. The Rosecrans is a 100-foot long and registered 2976 tons. At one time she served as government transport. She is now owned by the Associated Oil Transportation Company and is valued at about \$200,000.

CROWN PRINCE WELL.

to Russian Throne Attends Christmas Tree Today.

PETERSBURG, Jan. 7.—The Imperial Crown Prince Albrecht with his father, Emperor Nicholas, attended the distribution of the Christmas tree of the body guard at the palace of Tsarskoeoeelo. This is the Crown Prince's first public appearance since his illness and the end of the report he was sent south of France.

CALIFORNIA OIL PROBE.

Investigates Sale of Stock of Company.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—An examination of the operations where the capital stock of the California Petroleum Company was sold times or over on the New York stock exchange during the month of the company's existence occupied the time of the money trust committee to-

PARCELS POST BUSY.

Work Handles 142,294 Packages in Three Days.

DOESN'T THINK ANYONE SAVED

Tug Captain Wires That Everyone Has Been Swept Off the Rosecrans.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 7.—"I doubt if any one is left aboard her." This was part of a message A. B. Parker, local agent of the Associated Oil Company, owning the Rosecrans, received at noon from Captain W. P. Patterson, pilot of the tug that went to Astoria to bring her up the river to the tanks in Portland. Patterson said the seas were breaking over her and the foremast had been carried away.

COLD FATAL IN SAN FRANCISCO

Jas. Clark, Stableman, Out of Work, Found Dead from Cold and Exposure.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—Huddled behind a pile of frozen refuse James Clark, a stableman, 26 years old, was found dead today from cold and exposure. Officially diagnosed the cause of his death was bronchial pneumonia, caused by the cold. No similar deaths in the history of San Francisco are recorded by the coroner's office. Clark was thinly clad and out of work.

TO ELECTRIFY LONG RAILWAY

Secretary Fisher Makes the Grant That May Mean First of Change.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—What Secretary Fisher believes to be the beginning of the electrification of the trans-continental railroads, was marked today by a grant to the Great Falls, Montana, power company to transmit over public domain power for the electrification of 450 miles of track on the main line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad, between Harlowtown, Mont., and Avery, Ida.

FRANK CHANCE QUILTS BASEBALL

Noted Chicago Player-Manager Declares He Will Not Play This Year.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—An afternoon paper prints an extended interview with Frank Chance, in which he states positively that he will not appear in baseball this season.

TARIFF HEARINGS ON.

Manufacturing Interests Represented at Washington.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Manufacturing interests from Paris to San Francisco, affected by the contemplated Democratic revision of the tariff, were represented today at the second hearing on the chemical schedule.

BETTER IN MEXICO.

Improvement in Conditions Reported by American Consuls.

TO LET STATE PASS ON WATER

City Council Delays Action on Municipal System Pending Hearing.

The question of hastening a solution of the Marshfield water problem was brought up at the Marshfield city council meeting last night by Councilman Albrecht. He stated that he thought the waterworks question should be handled by the council as a committee of the whole instead of referring it to sub-committees of the council and that immediate steps should be taken looking towards a municipal system for Marshfield. He said he thought the council as a committee of the whole should meet at once and determine what they thought was a fair price for the present Marshfield system and what they could recommend to the voters at a special election if the company would accept it. Besides this, he said that the council as a committee of the whole could consider the other water projects and see what could be done with them. He said that the council had the Richardson and other reports on which to base their opinion. He said that he thought the matter could be arranged in a couple of days and suggested that a meeting of the council as a committee of the whole be held Friday night to take the matter up.

Acting City Attorney Kendall who was present in place of City Attorney Goss, who is away inspecting fire apparatus, stated that he did not think the move would be advisable at this time. He said that any negotiations with the Coos Bay Water Company now might tend to delay the hearing of the appeal by Marshfield to the Oregon Railway Commission under the public utilities law. He said he had just received a letter that the Marshfield appeal was the first one and that the commission would try and expedite the matter as much as possible. He said the Coos Bay Water Company had already asked for a delay in order to have time to file an answer to the appeal of the city and that the company would probably take advantage of any tender or advances by the city to further delay the matter.

Councilman Coppel wanted to know how soon it would likely be before the commission would get to the Marshfield case.

Mr. Kendall replied that he did not know exactly as the law was new and there was no precedent to go by. He said that he thought it might be within 30 days. In view of this Mr. Albrecht said that it might be well not to make any official record or tender to the company pending action by the Railroad Commission, but that he thought the council could meet as a committee of the whole and expedite municipal ownership. He said that there were a number of things in which small expenditures could be made now that would mean a great saving later. He said that some of these moves were made without too much publicity before hand, the city would be greatly benefited. He said that steps had already been taken toward securing sources of supply.

There was more or less discussion and Councilman Coppel suggested that there were a number of things to be considered besides the possible purchase of the present system and the improvement in the service from it. He said the people of Marshfield had expressed themselves in no uncertain terms at the polls as being in favor of municipal ownership and he thought the council should try and accomplish their wishes as early as possible.

Councilman Ferguson thought the council should not do anything until the Oregon Railroad Commission reports on the local situation. With this report, he thought that the way would be clearer. Consequently he said he did not want to have the council do anything that might hinder the commission.

Mr. Albrecht changed his original motion to simply turn the waterworks problem over to the council as a committee of the whole. Mayor Straw wanted to have the council specify the night the council was to meet to take action on the waterworks matter but the council, in view of Acting City Attorney Kendall's expression would not specify any time to take it up.

There was more or less politics in the parleying. Mayor Straw having practically referred the waterworks matter, or rather the incidents of it to Messrs. Winkler, Albrecht and Coppel by appointing them on the water committee. They wished the other councilmen to assist them in the investigations and hence the parleying. Mr. Coppel said that he thought that every member of the council was vitally interested in it and should be allowed to assist in the matter. During the evening, Mayor Straw

CLASH ABOUT A PATROLMAN

Mayor Straw Revokes Appointment of Chas. Doane and Salary Is Held Up.

For a few minutes before the close of last evening's session of the city council, it looked as though there would be something doing over the merchant's patrol but it dropped and the council adjourned.

The matter was brought up at a previous meeting and came up last night in the allowing of bills for the month. City Recorder Butler wanted to know what the council was going to do about the allowing of the \$20, the city's usual contribution to the monthly pay of the patrolman.

Councilman Ferguson inquired of Mayor Straw if the patrolman was still clothed with police authority, and the latter responded that he was not. Mr. Ferguson said that he didn't see any use in the city paying towards his salary any longer if the city was not going to receive some benefits of his work. Mayor Straw said that he thought the same.

There was a pause of a few minutes and Mayor Straw said that he wished someone would start something—start home if nothing else. Then came a motion to adjourn, and the council adjourned until next Monday night.

At the previous session of the council Mayor Straw gave as a reason for revoking the police authority of Merchant Patrolman Doane, that he didn't propose to have any officer of the city who was receiving part of his salary from the "saloons and other undesirable." However, it is understood that Mr. Doane's friends maintain that Mayor Straw's revocation of Doane's appointment is really due to Mayor Straw playing politics. It is claimed that Doane has never been an ardent supporter of Mayor Straw in Marshfield city elections or the factions that Mayor Straw has been supporting, and that in the last city election, he is said to have worked against Mayor Straw's favorites in the race for councilmen. To get even, they claim Mayor Straw has revoked Doane's appointment. What effect this will have on the merchant's patrol in keeping a special nightwatchman in problematical.

Iver-Johnson Bicycles at the Pioneer Hardware.

EKBLAD BUYS NEW BUSINESS

Purchases Coos Bay Wall Paper and Paint Company and Will Merge It.

W. N. Ekblad of Ekblad & Son this morning concluded negotiations for the purchase of the Coos Bay Wall Paper and Paint business from C. F. Johnson. Mr. Ekblad will move the business from its present quarters on North Second street, between Central and Commercial, to his hardware store on Front street. He will devote the room just south of his hardware store to the wall paper department. He has handled paints, varnishes, etc., heretofore, but will enlarge his line and will make the new department the most complete of the kind on Coos Bay. He found that the wall paper business would work in well with the hardware line, and especially the home building, and furnish business that he has been devoting special attention to. Mr. Ekblad plans to dispose of much of the Johnson stock, especially the wall paper, in the present quarters on Second street and will continue the business there for another week.

Mr. Johnson, who has retired, has been planning for some time to retire from business. He has considered moving to California, but whether he will do so or remain on the Bay, he has not definitely determined.

MORGAN TO EGYPT.

American Financier to Look Up Buried Treasures There. NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—With the Pulo committee continuing at Washington, its probe into the finances, J. P. Morgan, who was one of the most important witnesses in the investigation, will sail for Egypt tomorrow to interest himself in the buried treasures there. About a year ago Morgan visited Egypt to see an expedition which was fitted out to make excavations near Khargeh. It is expected that he will visit the same vicinity on the present trip.

EUROPE STILL HOPES TURKS AND BALKANS WILL SETTLE

CHINOOK WIND GREAT DANGER

Warm Breeze Threatens the Railroads With Snow-slides and Floods.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SEATTLE, Jan. 7.—A Chinook wind, dreaded by railroad men for the past two weeks, has arrived and it is feared that the 15 feet or more of snow that lies piled up on the Cascade mountains will be speedily melted and will rush down the slopes, washing out railroad tracks, bridges and inundating valleys. The snow that fell yesterday in Western Washington has been reduced to slush by the rain and the warm wind now prevailing. The railroads have already begun to suffer from the thaw and all trains over the Cascades are late.

SUCCUMBS IN LONDON HOTEL

Paul Nash, U. S. Consul General at Buda Pest, Dies Suddenly.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Jan. 7.—Paul Nash, United States Consul General at Buda Pest, died suddenly today in a hotel here. Although apparently death was from natural causes, an inquest will be necessary. Nash was 35 years old and had been in diplomatic service at Bangkok, Venice, Vladivostok, Rheimas and Buda Pest. While consul at Venice, he married Baroness Ina Maynerl of Piedmont.

WOOD IS FOR ARMY RESERVE

Chief of Staff Wants Former Soldiers to Re-Enlist and Receive Pay.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—In order that a reasonably strong reserve may be established in the United States with the least possible delay, all men who have served in regular army, marine corps or militia, and who are still physically fit should be authorized to enlist at once in the reserve and receive pay, is the opinion of Major-General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army. General Wood today endorsed a bill introduced by Representative Tilson of Connecticut, providing a national military reserve. Two dollars a month should be the compensation according to Major Wood.

FIRE SCARE IN CHANDLER HOTEL

Spark in Waste Paper in Furnace Room Caused Alarm Today.

the people of Marshfield were given a little fire scare about 6 o'clock, as the result of a little blaze and much smoke from a waste paper box in the furnace room of the hotel. A spark from the furnace started the waste to burning, but the firemen saw it almost immediately. The paper blazed up before he could get the hose on and when he did get it down, the box became a regular stowage. The smoke crept up through the hotel and into the guest rooms. The flames were extinguished be-

Peace Negotiations Delayed by Orthodox Christmas Holiday Observance.

POWERS ARE FIGURING ON INTERVENTION PLAN

Unable to Determine Just the Policy to Pursue to Force Peace if Necessary.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Jan. 7.—There is practically no disposition in London to doubt that as soon as the delegates of Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro and Serbia have celebrated the orthodox Christmas holiday, the peace conference will be resumed. There is a deep-seated reluctance among all parties against reopening hostilities, although threats of such an eventuality are still uttered. At the same time the powers are occupied offering friendly advice to the antagonists and in case this should prove insufficient, the ambassadors are seeking the best method of intervention. The next meeting will probably be the crucial one of the series and will be presided over by the Turkish chief delegate, Rechan Pasha, whose turn it is to act as president.

LEAVE TODAY ON BREAKWATER

Steamer Sails This Morning for Portland—Big Shipment of Fish.

The Breakwater sailed this morning for Portland and Captain Nelson is planning to make up more of the time lost here a week ago. The last trip was made in about four days. Today the Breakwater had a rather small list of passengers and light outgoing freight cargo. The hull after the holidays and delays were probably the cause.

The biggest item in the outgoing freight was about sixty boxes of steelhead salmon, shipped by C. E. Nicholson of the Coos Bay Ice & Cold Storage Company. Mr. Nicholson has been shipping a large amount of steelheads this year.

Among the outgoing passengers, were the following:

Marion Mills, Carl Anderson, C. Riley, Mrs. F. G. Horton, Katherine Horton, Warren Horton, Miss F. Golden, F. A. Daly, G. E. Isham, Mrs. G. Isham, Miss J. Vernon, H. Truman, Fred Bachman, R. S. Scott, Geo. Murch, C. J. Evans, Mrs. J. Warren, C. Owson, N. Erickson, Miss Pike, Mrs. W. T. Lenker, Mrs. Snydon, Mrs. Quarte, D. M. Averill, G. D. James, C. Everston, Judge Coke, A. Huhte, L. Kirkland, F. E. Creets, H. Juergemeier, A. F. Owens, C. Moran.

Incoming List.

The incoming passenger list of the Breakwater, which was misled by the purser yesterday, was as follows: Wesley Green, Leo Green, Mrs. May Green, Mrs. W. E. Davenport, F. A. Daly, Harry Monaha, Chas. Duffy, Mrs. L. B. Lee, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Ainsly, Chas. Harty, R. Bayles, F. C. Montgomery, Wm. Allender, G. G. Branner, P. Wransted, J. F. Lindberg, Mr. L. B. Lee, L. P. Stiles, W. J. Bromidge, C. E. Anderson, J. McDonald, W. J. Clook, Mrs. L. C. Ladd, G. W. Skinner, Robt. Marsden, Sr., F. E. Wilson, Robt. Shank, C. H. Ulrich, Fred Minsard, Mrs. Fred Minsard, E. D. Howe, Miss Caroline Wm. Chas. Mathers, A. S. Hammond, Wm. Trudgen, M. Martines, Mrs. Stevenson, Miss V. Dora, R. M. Ran, H. B. Donahey, A. E. Howe, Jack Durand, Miss May, Miss Calvert, Leona Holler, O. Franklin, Dr. J. P. Grant, Dr. D. Linsley, Chas. Hart, W. H. Meyers, C. F. Bradshaw, Peter Scott, C. W. Eller, A. Banks, H. D. Nettleton, Mrs. Chas. Duffy, Mrs. F. Cooper, K. M. B. Pierce, Miss Jean Mathews, Chas. Mathews, F. A. Mathews, Alfred Mathews, Mrs. A. E. Mathews, H. K. Hartley, Mrs. Bayless, W. E. Homme, E. Houck, O. Rommick, C. Carlson, Chas. Lee.

NEW CURRENCY SYSTEM.

House Committee Tries to Evolve a New Plan. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Seeking to evolve a new currency system plan to be recommended to congress as a substitute for the one proposed by the National Monetary Commission, a sub-committee of the house committee on banking and currency, began a series of