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SEVEN HUNDRED PASSENGERS TAKEN OFF AMERICAN LINER

Haverford Strikes Rock and Goes Ashore off Coast of Ireland Today

Passengers ARE CALLED TO AID IN RESCUE WORK

Fog and Rocky Coast Responsible for Accident—No Lives Are Lost

The American liner Haverford, which was struck today in a dense fog, is taking water forward. She has requested tugs to disembark her passengers. She is believed to have 1000 passengers, of whom 150 are second class and the remainder steerage. The sea is rough, but the shore along the coast is very rocky and the fog is dense. The Haverford was soon reached by the tugs and the work of transferring the passengers is progressing. She is on the rocks off Cork Head. Two tugs have arrived here with passengers from the Haverford. The other tugs are still outside the vessel. There is little doubt but all passengers and crew will be saved.

NEAR DEATH IN LONG BEACH

Haskins and Daughter, of Marshfield, Have Remarkable Escape

L. Haskins, plumber at the Hardware Store, received this morning from his wife the news of the narrow escape of her and their ten-year old daughter Olive, at the Long Beach pier last Saturday in which two score women and children were on the top floor. Mrs. Haskins writes, "when without a warning the entire floor fell away and before any person could take a single step all fell to two stories in the basement first floor having fallen first we all fell on top of a mass of things and screaming humanity. I don't see how anyone got out of there."

Haskins says she escaped with only a few bruises and their daughter Olive had her face badly scratched, but was otherwise uninjured.

Haskins naively added that her gown was badly mussed and covered with mud from the debris. They were lauded in a congratulatory mass.

Haskins leaves June 8 to join her future home in South California.

INQUEST COMMENCED.

Beach Pier Disaster to be Thoroughly Probed.

LONG BEACH, Cal., May 29.—A half a dozen experts on construction present and Mayor Alexander of Los Angeles, Mayor Hatch of Long Beach officials and a subpoena to testify, the inquest on the pier disaster of last Saturday in which nearly two score women and children lost their lives commenced today.

PRISONER CAPTURED.

Man of Nebraska Woman Caught After All-night Man-hunt.

DUX CITY, Iowa, May 29.—Davis, a paroled convict of Nebraska penitentiary, accused of assaulting Mrs. Cadie Welt, a woman near Homer, Neb., yesterday was captured early today and is being held in jail in Dux City, Nebraska. Mrs. Welt was held prisoner for several hours by her assailant. Davis is a respected farmer near Dux City.

STRANGE TALE OF DIVORCE

J. F. Wendling, of Bandon, Gets Decree—Wife Left Because Divorce was Illegal

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Or., May 29.—Judge Coke has just granted a divorce decree in one of the most unusual divorce cases that has probably ever been presented in the Circuit Court in this district. The decree was granted to J. F. Wendling, of Bandon, on the grounds of desertion.

Wendling is a young man, and from a prominent family, being a nephew of G. X. Wendling, the big lumberman of Weed, Cal., who is well known in this section. He is connected with the Estabrook interests at Bandon.

The principal evidence in the case was a letter written by the missing wife nearly two years ago and which was the first intimation that Wendling had that his home was to be broken up. The letter was penned in the tenderest form, told of her deep and continued attachment for Wendling and the pangs that its writing caused. However, she said that when she married Wendling she thought that she had been legally divorced from her first husband but had just discovered that she was not and consequently she could not stay with him longer. She requested him not to try to find her and not to write to her.

It was all a sudden and strange mystery to Wendling. He wrote several times to places where he thought she might have gone and communicated with relatives, but has been unable to find her. He said that she had always been a kind and loving wife and had she personally explained the predicament to him, he would have tried to straighten out the strange marital mixup and carry out his marriage contract.

BALKAN PEACE TREATY NEAR

Expect Allies to Soon Sign Terms Prepared by European Powers to End War

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, May 29.—It is practically certain that the treaty of peace between the Balkan allies and Turkey will be signed tomorrow at the British foreign office by peace delegates from the various states concerned.

Bulgaria and Turkey have not definitely decided to sign the documents in deference to the wishes of Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary and there is little doubt but that the other three allies, Serbia, Greece and Montenegro will do likewise. Greece and Serbia desire to add a protocol to the treaty dealing with the question of amnesty and conventions to be negotiated after peace shall have been concluded.

Bulgaria, however, objects to the addition of this protocol as she regards it is likely to leave the door open for further discussions and she has determined to sign the treaty of peace with Turkey without more delay to clear the field of very grave negotiations that she will have to undertake with her allies over the division of the spoils of victory.

MASSACRE IS REPORTED.

Bulgarians Alleged to Have Destroyed Mussulman Village.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SALONIKI, May 29.—A dispatch from a trustworthy source says that Bulgarian troops destroyed the village of Hadja, between Saloniki and Serres and massacred the Mussulman population.

GO WITH THE ELKS AND BAND TO BONDON next SUNDAY.

SHIP SUBSIDY OUT OF TARIFF

Senator Simmons Says Senate Will Knock Out Differential—Other Changes

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, May 29.—Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, definitely announced after a conference with President Wilson today that the proposed five per cent differential on imports in American-owned or controlled vessels would be dropped from the tariff bill in the Senate on account of the protests of foreign nations. Senator Simmons also declared that the objections of foreign nations to the clause foreign merchants to submit their books to American agents in cases of disputed valuation would be met. The State Department holds the protests are justified.

DISSOLUTION PLAN AGREED

Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Have Agreed Upon Plan to Dissolve

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, May 29.—Two alternate plans for the disposition of \$126,650,000 of the Southern Pacific stock owned by the Union Pacific board today. The first contemplates selling the stock to the highest bidder after the manner of municipal bonds, a minimum bid to be hereafter designated; the second contemplates placing the stock with a trustee without voting power to be later distributed upon affidavit that the owners possess no Union Pacific stock.

Both plans will be submitted to the court for approval with a request that the company be permitted to elect which it will adopt. Upon the filing of the court's approval, the Union Pacific Company will ask that the stock be placed in the hands of a receiver to be named by the court.

After the publication of this alternative plan Union Pacific stock broke from 150 1-4 to 147 7-8, but speedily rallied to 149 1-2. Southern Pacific declined two points to 95, but rallied at this point.

FORGER PENWELL IS CAPTURED

Man Who Passed Bogus Checks Here Caught at Crescent City

Dave Penwell, the check artist who passed bogus securities on Davis & Ashman, the Blanco Cigar Store, Geo. Childs, of the P. K. Saloon, Vern Barker and others, was captured at Crescent City. He is now being brought to Coquille and will probably reach there tonight or tomorrow and will be brought here Saturday to be arraigned.

Sheriff Gage was here from Coquille today and brought the news. It also develops that Penwell is the forger who worked the bogus check racket at Langlois, passing a \$62.50 check on Hedges and Walker there, the details of which were told in The Times yesterday. He posed at Langlois as Gordon Shepard, an auto king of Crescent City.

Penwell formerly worked in the Smith-Powers camp on South Coos River and also formerly lived on the Upper Coquille.

MARSHAL HELD FOR MURDER

Washington Town Official Is Charged With Killing Man in Drunken Row

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CHEHALIS, May 29.—City Marshal Houle, of Morton, Wash., was arrested and lodged in jail here today for the murder of Hade Roach at Morton yesterday. Roach was a bartender and the shooting was the result of an alleged drunken row.

THINK PIERCE BEHIND PROJECT

Idaho Railroad Promoter is Backing Revival of Coos Bay & Boise Proposition

START STEAM SHOVEL.

Hauser, Hauser and Company this afternoon were getting their steam shovel off the scow and in position in Simpson Park and expected to get it in operation before 6 o'clock this evening.

That W. E. Pierce, of Boise, who built a number of lines in Idaho and the Boise & Caldwell line, is really the man behind the revival of the Coos Bay & Boise is the opinion of O. S. Torrey, of Marshfield, who is familiar with Mr. Pierce's projects. Mr. Pierce visited Coos Bay one time and has been quietly working on the Boise and Coos Bay project for several years. Mr. Torrey believes that Pierce has now rounded it into shape and is having E. R. Shaw handle some of the preliminary details. When the 1907 slump came, Mr. Pierce is said to have nearly had the project ready to put through.

There was nothing new locally in the matter today. It is expected that further information will be received from Colonel C. E. S. Wood about the matter soon. Just what is the status of the mortgage on the Coos Bay and Boise that was filed in Coos and Douglas Counties preliminary to floating a bond issue, a few years ago, has not been ascertained.

WORK ON TUNNEL.

Twohy Bros. Have About 550 Feet Yet to Bore at Notch.

The Eugene Register says: "A good crew of men started to work yesterday from the west entrance of the tunnel and expected to get 100 feet ground today. There is about 550 feet yet to be bored, the tunnel being in about 1,930 feet at this end, and with two crews working toward each other it ought not to take long to excavate the remaining distance to be bored. By August 1, the big tunnel ought to be completed through the mountain and then the work of track-laying can go right along. The grading on the Porter Brothers' contract west of the tunnel is progressing very rapidly and it is almost an assured fact that trains will be running through to the coast this fall."

BARBOUR CASE ENDED TODAY

Oregon Supreme Court Denies Rehearing in Railroad Addition Suit

Word was received today that the Oregon Supreme Court had denied the petition for a re-hearing in the case of Barbour vs. Merchant Estate. This case involved a half ownership in the property through a deal with R. A. Graham. Through his attorney, J. W. Bennett, he collected a number of small sums in \$10 and \$15 amounts to clear titles to lots. The Merchant estate in order to clear these titles fought the case through and won out in the circuit court and supreme court. C. R. Peck representing the Merchant Estate and J. W. Bennett the Barbour interests. This final decision of the supreme court ends the litigation.

Circuit Court News.

Judge Coke has denied a motion for a new trial in the case of Stevens vs. Stutsman. This case involved the notes which were issued by Geo. F. Averill when Averill was promoting a Rapid Transit Company between Coos Bay and Oakland.

Judge Coke intended to leave tonight for Eugene, where he will hold court for Judge Harris, but owing to a number of cases being on hand, he has had to postpone his departure until tomorrow. Among the matters awaiting final action are:

Motion of a new trial in case of F. A. Smith vs. L. D. Kinney. In this case, Smith secured a judgment for \$20,000 in the old steamer Liberty case on pool certificates, which Kinney issued and then doubled, etc.

Case of First National Bank, of North Bend, vs. Sheriff Gage, involving ownership of one of bank building in claims against J. Virgil Pugh.

MANY WITNESSES DECLARE COL. ROOSEVELT IS MOST TEMPERATE

SUFFRAGETTES REACH INDIA

Militants Damage Golf Links and Distribute Literature Near Calcutta

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CALCUTTA, May 29.—The campaign of militant suffragettes has spread to India. The golf links at Simla, a popular sanitarium for Europeans, was damaged yesterday and cards and suffragette literature were scattered there.

MRS. PANKHURST STARVES

Suffragette Leader Refuses to Take Food in Jail.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, May 29.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader, has taken no food since she was re-arrested and taken to Holloway jail. She is said to be in a very weak state owing to her reduced vitality consequent to her previous "hunger strike," which lessened her powers of resistance. According to suffragette leaders, her release may be expected at any time.

HIGHEST RIVER IS VERY HIGH

Idaho Streams Are at Flood Tide and Rising—Little Damage

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LEWISTON, Idaho, May 29.—The St. Joe River, the highest navigable river in the United States, is above the flood stage and houses at St. Maries were floated from their foundations today. Telephone service has been discontinued because of water flooding the telephone building. Water level in the Snake River at Lewiston is 29.5 feet above low water level. Two bridges were washed out on the Clearwater. Heavy rains and melting snows caused the flood. The damage so far is not great in any district.

MATT MATTSOON PASSES AWAY

Pioneer Rancher of Catching Inlet Overcome by Heart Failure Yesterday

Matt Mattsson, a pioneer rancher of Catching Inlet and one of the most highly respected and upright men of that section, died suddenly last evening about 5 o'clock, of heart failure.

Mr. Mattsson was alone when overcome by the fatal attack, having gone to his launch to do some work on the craft. He was not found for nearly half an hour afterwards and then he was lying with his face in the water. The tide was out when he first fell and a physical examination showed that he was dead when the water came up around him.

Mr. Mattsson had been troubled with heart affliction for nearly two years and twice previously had been overcome. Yesterday afternoon he appeared to be in his usual health when he left the house for the boat landing. When he did not return promptly, members of the family went to the boathouse and found him dead.

Mr. Mattsson was 71 years old February 2, and had been a resident of Catching Inlet for over 35 years, having built up a fine ranch and visited his old home a few years ago.

Several Washington Newspaper Correspondents Testify to His Sobriety

PHOTOGRAPHS ARE SHOWN IN TRIAL

Gifford Pinchot, Sec. Garfield and Other Prominent Men on Stand Today

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) MARQUETTE, Mich., May 29.—Charles Willis Thompson, of New York, for nine years a correspondent at Washington, and since 1908 political writer on a New York newspaper, testified today in the Roosevelt libel trial of his long, familiar acquaintance with Colonel Roosevelt, and to the latter's temperate habits and language. Asked whether there was discussion in Washington of the Colonel's drinking habits the witness replied: "I never heard it discussed during the seven years he was there. If it was discussed it must have been outside of Washington and it was my business to know every rumor floating around that city. It was what I was there for."

Asked about the Colonel's habits while traveling on trains, the witness stated that he was never even slightly affected by liquor and that on "The trip to San Francisco the railroad company, by order of the Colonel's representatives, did not put the usual stock of liquors aboard the private car."

Andrew W. Abele, of Ironton, Ohio, a former coal miner and later locomotive fireman, who accompanied Roosevelt up Lookout Mountain, Chattanooga, Tenn., in October, 1902, said the Colonel had not been drinking, nor had he been drinking when he later addressed the locomotive firemen at Huntington, West Virginia.

Witnesses who accompanied Roosevelt at various other places testified that the Colonel did not drink. Several photographs were shown to the witnesses. One, taken at Jackson, Miss., showed Roosevelt standing on a platform with an arm outstretched against an upright.

A. Z. Blair, of Portsmouth, Ohio, a former judge of the Common Pleas Court in Ohio, testified having seen Roosevelt on the same trip testified to by Abele and said that there was nothing to indicate that the Colonel had been drinking.

Philip Roosevelt, a son of W. Emmeline Roosevelt, who is a first cousin of the Colonel, and a newspaperman in New York, testified to the abstemious habits of the former President and temperate language.

Edwin Emerson, a writer and newspaper man, gave similar testimony.

Noted Men Testify.

Gifford Pinchot, Chief Forester of the Roosevelt administration, testified to the temperate habits of the plaintiff.

Lawrence Abbott, son of Dr. Lyman Abbott, and President of the company which publishes a periodical of which Roosevelt is one of the editors, and who traveled extensively with Roosevelt in Africa and in this country, testified to the Colonel's temperate habits.

J. H. Garfield, Secretary of the Interior in the Roosevelt administration, testified similarly.

EDUCATOR TAKES REST.

President Gault of South Dakota University Resigns Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) VERMILLION, S. D., May 29.—Franklin B. Gault, president of South Dakota University here, has tendered his resignation to the board of regents. He has been an educator for 33 years and wants a rest.

TOMORROW IS MEMORIAL DAY

Spanish-American War Veterans and G. A. R. Arrange for Observance of Event

Plans for the observance of Memorial Day were completed today, Mayor Straw issuing a proclamation declaring a holiday for the service. The arrangements are being made by the Spanish War Veterans, Chairman D. A. Jones looking after the details of the event.

Today the decoration of the graves of veterans and others in the Marshfield Cemetery was begun and huge baskets of flowers were taken there by relatives and friends. The cemetery was handsomely decorated last year for the occasion.

The formal observance tomorrow (Continued on Page Four.)

The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the Marshfield Swedish Lutheran Church by the Rev. B. F. Bengtson officiating.

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