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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BADLY DAMAGED BY SEVERE STORM

Telephone, Telegraph and Railway Lines Paralyzed and No Car Service DAMAGE WILL RUN FAR INTO THOUSANDS NOW Santa Monica Speedway Obliterated—Brooks Become Swollen Rivers

STORM SITUATION.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21.—(By wire.)—Three days of unprecedented rainfall has brought six Southern California counties to a condition of complete prostration. No street car or railroad lines are in service. High winds and floods have prostrated the wires. Five men and women lost their lives in the floods since Wednesday. All roads are obliterated. Fertile valleys are forming water courses and all lowlands are wide lakes. The Santa Monica speedway, where the races were to have been given yesterday, has been obliterated. The sun broke through the clouds for the first time since Tuesday, but looked down on scenes of desolation.

San Francisco Storm

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—Arroyos in Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties are foaming full with rushing waters. Bridges, poles, roads and tracks have been carried away. Five inches of rain fell last night in Tehachapi Pass, and the water is three feet deep in the Santa Fe yards at Molave. The break in communication with the outside world was almost absolute. Northward to San Francisco the Coast and Valley lines of the Southern Pacific were at a standstill and the Santa Fe was paralyzed by washouts in Tehachapi Pass, which is utilized by the two companies jointly. The rain continued early today in various parts of the state and high water is again being experienced in the Sacramento Valley and elsewhere. More than two inches fell yesterday in San Francisco, accompanied by a 50-mile gale that caused much damage. A portion of the great dome of the Exposition Palace of Manufacturers collapsed and fell 165 feet, causing damage amounting to \$20,000. Coast shipping is tied up by the storm. There is considerable damage along the waterfront here.

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SCHOONERS TO BE AUCTIONED.

Oakland and Hugh Hogan to Be Sold to Pay Creditors. PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 21.—The United States Marshal's office is sending out notices to the effect that the American sailing schooners Oakland and Hugh Hogan will be sold to satisfy claims of creditors in a public sale at the north door of the post-office March 2. Deputy United States Marshal Leonard Becker, admiralty commissioner, has charge of the sale. The Hugh Hogan is at Florence and the Oakland is at St. Helens. Government keepers have been on the vessels since January 5, when they were seized by deputy marshals on libels filed by the Kruse & Banks Shipbuilding company of North Bend for repairs made on the two vessels.

PORTLAND MAY GET AERO RACE

National Balloon Contest May Be Held on Pacific Coast.

TWO VESSELS ARRIVE TODAY

REDONDO AND ALLIANCE ARE IN FROM SOUTH—REDONDO BRINGS BITUMEN WHICH WILL PERMIT FINISHING BROADWAY PAVING.

QUESTION OF DAY WHO IS J C JONES

At Least Three of Name in Marshfield—Are There Any Others?

Who is the J. C. Jones arrested by Officers Shoupe and Smith Wednesday night charged with drunkenness? That is a question that is rapidly taking a place with the one "who struck Billy Patterson?" Last evening shortly after the appearance of The Times a stranger came to The Times office and said his name was J. C. Jones and he was a newcomer, but he was not and never had been arrested for drunkenness. He said an item published concerning J. C. Jones of the Coos Bay Steam Laundry might lead some people to think he was the man and he desired to have it known he was not. He said he was not a civil engineer but was a stationary engineer and was a temperance man and a prohibitionist. He didn't like to be known as a drinking man. There are now two J. C. Joneses located who are not the ones who paid the fine to Recorder Butler and he makes three J. C. Joneses in Marshfield—unless some unregenerate sons of Satan are using respected names for dark deeds. If this is the case Recorder Butler will soon be required to make prisoners produce birth records, christening certificates and their registration blanks.

Postoffice Holiday Monday, Feb. 23 will be observed as a legal holiday in accordance with the regulations, by the Marshfield Postoffice. Patrons of delivery service may call at the carrier's window between 8 and 9 a. m. for their mail.

Observation of Washington's Birthday

THEN. One hundred and thirty years ago Newport, R. I., celebrated Washington's birthday with the ringing of church bells, firing of cannon and decoration of houses and ships. So far as known this was the first civic celebration of the 22nd as Washington's birthday. He was born, according to the old calendar, February 11, 1732, and he himself observed that date, until his death in 1799.

TRAIN ROBBERS KILL THREE PASSENGERS NEAR BELLINGHAM

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Feb. 21.—Sheriff's posse and railroad detectives made an attempt today to close all avenues of escape to the trio of bandits who held up Great Northern train No. 3358 at Samisha, fifteen miles south of here last night and killed three passengers. The officers believe the outlaws escaped to the forests in the hills or took to the water in the hope of reaching San Juan Island. Blood hounds from Skagit county are being used in the search. All trace of the bandits, however, has been lost. Posse discovered tracks in the tide flats and found an empty whiskey flask under the wharf where they apparently concealed themselves. The theory that they boarded the train after it had been stopped is not credited. The officers believe the work to be that of amateurs. The bandit who did the shooting appeared to be not more than twenty-five years of age. All wore 'adieu' masks, which covered their entire features. The only clue that may lead to the identification was in the fact that they left their overcoats on the track in their haste to escape. The railroad company has offered a reward of \$5000 each for the bandits, dead or alive.

KINEO GIVEN UP AS LOST

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—After nearly three days of futile searching for the schooner Kineo, reported sinking 160 miles off the Diamond Shoals, hope for her safety has been given up by her agents here. A revenue cutter service still believes there is a chance the vessel has not gone down.

NORTH BEND IS COOS CHAMPION

High School Basketball Team Defeats Coquille by Score of 18 to 14.

MARSHFIELD DEFEATED BY MYRTLE POINT The Marshfield High School basketball team was defeated at Myrtle Point last night, 23 to 18. Professor Barker, of Marshfield, was one of the officials and says it was a good game. The floor was larger than the one Marshfield was accustomed to play on and this handicapped the local team.

The North Bend basketball team last night defeated Coquille, at the county seat by a score of 18 to 14. The game was a fast, clean exhibition of good basketball playing and both sides showed speed and class. This victory makes North Bend the champions of the Coos County High School League.

Trainload of Boosters. That big North Bend special was crowded with friends of the North Bend team, who went to Coquille to do their part—the rooting. Enthusiasm was not lacking at last night's game either with Til Woodbury of North Bend in the gallery urging his men on and Perry Lawrence, of the Coquille team, with his score of regular college yells was worth going to hear. Edgar McDaniels forgot the destinies of the nation last evening and was seen up with the rooters pulling for North Bend. Miss Nora Hage was right down in the front row—pulling for Bowen and his team. Miss Goldie Riggs, Eugene Johnson, D. McLain and Miss Lola Ritchie journeyed to Coquille and played a large part in the winning of the game—they were up in the gallery yelling.

Watkins Not Present Watkins, of Bandon, who was scheduled to umpire the game, did not show up for some unknown reason. The North Bend team then asked to put Kibler in. This the Coquille team objected to, through Superintendent Howard. After some discussion, it was agreed that Kibler would referee the first half and Oerding the second. Just prior to the commencement of the game, North Bend and her funny noises received a slight jolt from Professor Howard, who announced that on account of a previous ruling made, that no horns would be allowed used at the game. Immediately following his announcement North Bend sent all her fireworks out in one breath and following that Howard's order was generally obeyed. Game Starts. The game started about 8:15. Coquille started out with a rush and was rewarded when Oerding threw a basket on a foul. The first half of the game found North Bend in the lead by a score of 13 to 7. Without an exception Bowen, of North Bend, made every point that was chalked to its credit. The beginning of the second half showed a slow-down in the speed of both sides. Coquille played rather fast and was rewarded in the middle of the second half when they tied the score. At the closing of the second half, North Bend showed a burst of speed, and made five points, making the score 18 to 14 in their favor. One play that caused considerable comment and a few moments delay was a member of the Coquille team throwing the ball making a basket, after Dr. Morrow had blown the whistle. Oerding, of Coquille, stepped to the center and quizzed Morrow. Morrow was firm in his decision, saying that he did not blow the whistle after the basket was thrown. After some discussion, Coquille allowed the decision. Many thought that Leslie had thrown the ball before the whistle was blown and others sided with Dr. Morrow's decision. The detail score: Field baskets, Coquille, Kern, 1; Leslie, 3; North Bend, Bowen, 6. Fouls, Coquille, Oerding, 6; North Bend, Bowen, 6. The officials were: Clarence Kibler and Oerding, umpires; Dr. Morrow, referee; Chappell and Leslie, scorers; Grubbs and Howard, timekeepers. Many See Game. Among those who journeyed to Coquille from North Bend and Marshfield were: Miss Beattie Immel, Miss Katherine Mende, Miss Helen Mende, Roy Carr, Miss Marjorie Swearingin, Miss A. W. Jones, Oscar Carlson, Floyd Conroy, Charles Burmister, C. Perkins, H. Gubser, "Bud" Emery, A. Reynolds, A. P. Holland, Murin, Chappell, Glenn Hart, Julia B. Daton, Grace H. Fulton, Miss Constance Clark, C. C. Dana, Miss O. D. Hoelling, Tom

SENSATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS MARK MEXICAN SITUATION AT EL PASO

LITTLE STIR IN ENGLAND

News of Benton's Killing in Mexico Arouses Feeling—May Grow Bitter

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The British Government, up to noon, had not taken any action in regard to the death of William S. Benton at Juarez beyond instructing its ambassador at Washington to obtain from Secretary Bryan all the information possible. Although the tragedy has created a sensation throughout the British Isles, it has not aroused any disposition on the part of responsible members of the British Government to change their policy in regard to Mexico. There is no concealment of the fact, however, that the murder of British subjects in Mexico, unless followed by punishment of the murderers and the payment of indemnity, is likely to arouse public opinion here to the point where it will demand that the British Government take a more active part. The London Globe, after asking "is it going to happen in case an investigation proves the guilt of Villa, says: "The United States has not only the responsibility in its assertion of the Monroe Doctrine, but the responsibility of having supplied Villa and the rebels with arms, thereby promoting lawlessness. President Wilson has gone too far to shrink from going further."

FELIX DIAZ IS IN NEW YORK

Nephew of Former Dictator of New York Seeks to Escape Assassins

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Felix Diaz, who helped to bring about the downfall of Madero, but later had to flee from Mexico for his life, arrived here today from Havana. He said that he had no intention of allying himself with Carranza or Villa. Friends who accompanied him said he left Havana because he feared the hostility of the Huertanos, who had made one attempt to kill him since he left Vera Cruz.

Piledriver Out.—The piledriver was towed up North Inlet today to drive some pilings for landings near the new camps which Houser & Houser will start there soon.

Return Today.—The Adeline Smith arrived in today from San Francisco after a fairly good trip and will sail tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powers and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Irwin returned on her.

Wants Postoffice.—Clyde B. El-Hott, cheesemaker at the Coos Bay Ice and Cold Storage plant, is the latest aspirant for the Marshfield Postoffice appointment and is getting out petitions. He is an old friend of Senator Chamberlain. Among the others who seek the place are F. A. Golden, Tom Coke and Frank L. Sumner.

Settle Case.—The case of the Coos Bay Realty Company vs. Tower Brothers for \$50 commission for selling the Orpheum Theater for them was settled in Justice Pennock's court today. Now there is said to be a suit pending over the ownership of the theater. Tower Brothers have taken possession again owing to the failure of the purchasers, they claim, to meet one of the payments on the place, which was sold for \$1600.

NORTH BEND NEWS

Miss Olive Richards of Sumner was the guest of Mrs. E. Geo. Smith at North Bend. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hodson of South Coos River are Marshfield visitors today. Mrs. Leonard Masters of Sumner is attending the Farmers Union meeting in Marshfield today. Hage, H. B. Brigham, Charles Burmister, T. B. Osborne, P. Wilson, A. Anderson, John Johnson, Lloyd Raab, E. A. Brown, Miss Juno Young, Miss Dorothy Kibler, Miss Ethel Olsen, J. S. Lyons and Clarence Lorden.

Mass Meeting Adopts Resolutions Denouncing Wilson's Policy

STATE DEPARTMENT IS SEVERELY CENSURED

Claim Thomas S. Benton Was Assassinated—Villa and Rebel Leaders Scored

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 21.—The official announcement that William S. Benton, a British subject, had been executed by the Mexican rebels at Juarez Tuesday night, the adoption of resolutions condemning the United States Government for its handling of Mexican affairs at a mass meeting here, an exchange of shots between members of the Thirteenth United States Cavalry and a score or more of Mexicans, and uncertainty as to the fate of Gustav Baucht, an American, and two Englishmen, John Lawrence and a man named Curtis, were the developments of the last twenty-four hours. Following in rapid succession these incidents served to bring public feeling to a high pitch and today every official agency was engaged in bringing to light further details. That there was a real court martial in Benton's case none on this side of the border pretend to believe. Here, at least, the killing of Benton has wiped out whatever confidence was felt in Villa's promises. At the mass meeting last night former Governor Curry of New Mexico presided and resolutions were adopted with a shout. The resolutions characterize as "cold-blooded and heartless" the assassination of Benton, charge the State Department at Washington "had persistently suppressed the facts concerning true conditions in Mexico," declared that "at the present moment our Government is harboring General Salazar, who has committed outrages against our people," as well as Maximo Castillo, head of the bandit band. Villa was denounced in strong terms. The clash between the cavalry and the Mexicans occurred last night after an attempt to rush the barracks.

MARSHFIELD MAN IN MEXICO

M. L. Douglas, Formerly a Tailor Here, Writes Friend From Monterey

W. H. Harmon is in receipt of a letter from M. L. Douglas, who will be remembered as having been engaged in the tailoring business in Marshfield a few years ago, but now located in Monterey, Mexico. The letter is interesting and states that notwithstanding revolutions, Douglas is prosperous. The letter is as follows: Monterey, Mex., Feb. 11, 1914. W. H. Harmon, Marshfield, Oregon. Friend Will: Have been here more than a year now, and have not kept my promise to write you until now, for have been too busy; have not had time. I suppose everybody there thinks terrible things about Mexico from the reports you get from here. Well, things could be a little more pleasant than they are just now. It keeps us jumping sideways to dodge the bullets, but we have managed so far to do so. How is everybody getting along in the burg? The wife was home on a six-months' visit and has just returned. Talk about girls! There are five to every boy here. I wish you could talk Spanish. I could give you a good job. I am manufacturing ready-made clothes for a firm. We have three stores in the principal cities. They are paying me ten thousand dollars a year—that is about thirty-two dollars a day. I guess that beats a shop in Marshfield, eh? How is the wife and baby? Well, I won't write very much this time as I don't know if you are still there or not. Give my regards to all my friends, and don't forget my girls. Respectfully yours, M. L. Douglas, care of M. Cirilo y Cia, Monterey, Mexico. Yo hablo Espanol. Pero no muy bien; pues la idioma es muy difcil.

MARIE LLOYD IS WED.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 21.—Mathilda Hurley, known on the vaudeville stage as Marie Lloyd, was married here to Bernard Dillon. When she came from England to New York and more recently when she reached Seattle from Vancouver, she had trouble with the immigration authorities on account of traveling with Dillon.