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ALIGHT NARROWLY ESCAPE SERIOUS INJURY WHEN FIREWORKS EXPLODE

Nearly \$500 Worth of Skyrockets, Bombs and Roman Candles Go Off at Once

TWO MEN AND TWO BOYS SLIGHTLY-HURT

All But Two Jump Into Water and Are Picked up by Fishing Boats

Two men and two boys were slightly hurt and four others narrowly escaped death or serious injury when about \$500 worth of fireworks exploded last Saturday night.

Those slightly hurt were George Humbert, of Coquille; Eddie Brown, of Eastside; Robert Kruger and L. E. Bliven, of Marshfield. Those who escaped injury were Frank Catterlin, of Marshfield; Rudolph West, of Eastside; Roy Humbert, of Coquille, and Freddie Lund, of Eastside. Bliven was the only one left on the scow after the explosion.

There was intense excitement on shore, where hundreds of spectators had gathered to see the display, the closing act of the two-day celebration. And it is needless to say that those on the scow were excited.

Kruger was struck in the back by a sky-rocket, and was painfully but not seriously hurt. Bliven was struck in the left leg. Eddie Brown, one of the boys, was struck in the right leg and George Humbert was struck in the head.

Frank Catterlin was standing near one of the big bombs when it exploded and was blown into the water by the force of the explosion. Kruger dove into the water immediately after he had been struck by a sky-rocket.

Gordon Smith, operating the fish-boat Wasp, and winner of the race in which four boats were entered, was the first to reach the scene. He picked up Eddie Brown, the boy who started for the Marshfield side, and several others, who were clinging to the scow.

The scow on which the fireworks were loaded, left the Smith docks about 5 o'clock in command of Frank Horton. After tying up at one of the piles off Eastside, Horton left for the city. Bliven, Catterlin and Kruger were left in charge of the fireworks.

The explosion started when one of the fellows ignited a pinwheel, said Bliven. "Most of the fireworks were in one pile and they caught fire from a spark. Then the whole thing went up at once. One of the \$20 bombs went off and I realized that everything else would follow. I yelled at the boys to jump and most of them did. I saw a rocket strike Kruger and then I saw him dive into the water.

Westerberg Praised. In the award of prizes for the best floats in the Civic Parade Saturday, the judges gave the handsome original float of F. E. Westerberg's 5-10-15 cent store favorable mention.

Ladies:—Madam Hulbert is at Rogers House for one week, with line of French, refined hair goods, switches 36 inches long, dipping, dyeing and combings a specialty. Call 2 to 4 p. m.

SLIGHT CLASH OVER CONFETTI

Citizens Buy Stock of Confetti of Norton & Hansen to Avoid Trouble

Only one untoward incident marked the biggest Fourth of July celebration in the history of Coos County, which closed in Marshfield Saturday night. That was a clash late Saturday evening over attempts by Warner Ogren, manager of Norton & Hansen to sell confetti in violation of the orders of County Health Officer Cullin, City Health Officer Straw and the Fourth of July committee, who, in addition to objecting to it on general sanitary grounds, felt that it would especially be a menace to the public at this time owing to the prevalence of measles, whooping cough, mumps and other more serious contagious diseases in localities in this vicinity.

Warner Ogren, manager of Norton & Hansen's, stuck out for his profits, but by his action he lost the respect of the decent, loyal and law-abiding people of the city.

Albert Meadows and Clarence Stoner Confess and Tell Where Loot is Hidden—Dead Robber From Wyoming

PENDLETON, Or., July 6.—With Albert Meadows and Clarence Stoner, the two surviving bandits of the three that held up the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation train No. 5 last Thursday, in jail here, county officers and railroad detectives today turned their attention to locating the persons robbed and returning the money and jewelry.

French Pugilist Offers \$20,000 For Bout With New Title Claimant

SYDNEY, N. S. W., July 6.—George Carpenter, the middleweight champion of France, cabled today an offer of \$20,000 to meet Jimmie Clabby of Indiana, claimant of the middleweight championship of the world.

ROOSEVELT TO VISIT NEW YORK

To Confer With Progressive Leaders of the State—Strauss Loses Support

OYSTER BAY, July 6.—Colonel Roosevelt announced today that he would go to New York Wednesday and visit the Progressive National headquarters to confer with the New York state leaders.

NOTICE TO MOOSE. All members of the Loyal Order of Moose are requested to meet Tuesday, July 7, at the Dungan Undertaking parlors to attend the funeral of Brother Chas. McCulloch, which will be held at 2 o'clock.

LET US TALK IT OVER

IT HAS been well and truly said that the only way a great civic event can be cared for is by men who have in them the elements of civic pride and patriotism and who are ready to lavishly give of their time without compensation in a quality of service that money couldn't pay for.

There was only one untoward incident of the entire celebration and that happily passed off without much difficulty. The persistent penurioseness of Warner Ogren, of Norton & Hansen's Store, who insisted on selling confetti against the instructions and wishes of County Health Officer Cullin and City Health Officer Dr. Straw nearly precipitated trouble.

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PENDLETON TRAIN ROBBERS CAUGHT AND LOOT FOUND

The wife of the leader of the gang, Charles Manning, who was killed in the gun fight on the train by Deputy Sheriff McDuffee, is expected here tomorrow from Cokeville, Wyo., to claim the body.

CARPENTIER AFTER CLABBY MORE FREEDOM FOR FILIPINOS

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 6.—President Wilson and the House leaders have agreed substantially on a bill granting a larger measure of self-government to the Filipinos.

ROOSEVELT TO VISIT NEW YORK BLOWS FROM AXE KILL 4

German Laborer and Family Murdered by Unknown in Chicago Today

CHICAGO, July 6.—A family of four was wiped out by blows from an axe in their home in the German settlement of Blue Island, a suburb, last night.

READY FOR TRIAL. Free Speech Advocates Go to Tarrytown, New York.

SPANISH AND SWISS PROPERTY IN MEXICO WILL BE PROTECTED

OFFICIALS OF LINE ON BAY

Arrival of Vice-President Woodworth Causes Revival of Railroad Talk

J. G. Woodworth, second vice-president of the Northern Pacific Railway, and Drake O'Reilly, of the Oregon Round Lumber Company, of Portland, passed through here today in company with Roderick V. McLesey of the McLesey Estate, en route to Curry County, where they will spend some time.

Mr. Woodworth was here two years ago, making a horseback tour of this section. He was then general manager of the Northern Pacific.

Engineer Broughton, who will have supervision of the Southern Pacific bridge construction across Coos Bay, returned yesterday and is at North Bend.

ROMANCE NO LONGER SECRET

Princess Wah-Ta-Wasa and Lew Gillespie Married Over Year Ago

A secret which has been kept from their Marshfield friends a year ago and from most of them since, was unfolded yesterday when Mr. and Mrs. Lew F. Gillespie and children arrived here to spend the summer.

Princess Wah-Ta-Wasa, for whom the Catching Inlet steamer was named, was Mr. Gillespie's ward, and gained considerable renown as being the model of noted artists and sculptors as the typical American Indian maid.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie and children and their nurse are stopping at The Chandler and expect to spend some time here. They will make their home at Kansas City, where Mr. Gillespie has extensive banking and business interests.

WOMAN STRIKES MAN WITH LOADED GUN

In the O. K. Chop House on Market street near Front this afternoon, Mrs. J. A. Roberts, wife of the proprietor, struck A. Harris, known as "Scotty" over the head with a pistol, inflicting a rather severe scalp wound.

FREE SPEECH ADVOCATES GO TO TARRYTOWN, N. Y.

CHAMBERLAIN IS BURIED.

Agreement Between United States and Great Britain is Extended by Request

SPANISH AMBASSADOR APPEALS TO BRYAN

Will Not Support Claims to Mining Properties Acquired by Cancellation

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 6.—The agreement between the United States and Great Britain to protect properties in Mexico will be extended to include Spanish and Swiss property.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 6.—Joseph E. Vasconcelos, one of the Constitutionalists Junta here, will leave tonight for Saitillo to report to Carranza the attitude of the United States on mediation and plans for the resumption of business in northern Mexico.

Rafael Zurban said that no final answer had come from Carranza relative to participation in the proposed conference over peace plans with the Huerta delegates.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 6.—President Wilson refused to comment on yesterday's election in Mexico in which Huerta elected himself president.

SALTILLO, July 6.—The division of the north, Villa's army, has agreed to acknowledge the authority of Carranza as the "first chief" and Villa will remain the commander of the division of the north, as the result of conferences in Torreón between representatives of Villa and Carranza, according to news received here.

PORTLAND FIRE INVESTIGATED

AUTHORITIES THINK OCEANIC DOCK FIRE SUNDAY WAS OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN—INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN STARTED.

PORTLAND, July 6.—An investigation was started here today into the fire that destroyed the Oceanic dock yesterday, causing a loss of \$260,000.

ORIENT LINE SOLD TODAY

Stilwell's Railroad Project Bought in by Committee of Stockholders

WICHITA, July 6.—The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway was sold here today for \$6,001,000 to the reorganization committee representing the bondholders of the company.

BIRMINGHAM, England, July 6.—The body of Joseph Chamberlain, the Unionist leader who for many years occupied a prominent place in British politics, was buried today in Hookley cemetery in the constituency he long represented in the House of Commons.

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