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**Dead Man Found
On The Hill Side**

Body Of N. G. Nelson, Late Of Seaside, Discovered Near Athletic Grounds.

The body of a man, since identified as N. G. Nelson, who had resided at Seaside, was found yesterday afternoon on the hill a short distance southwest of the athletic grounds. The ghastly discovery was made by George Coffenberry of this city.

Mr. Coffenberry had called upon a friend residing near Youngs bay and was returning by way of a path which lead to the main road. Being familiar with the territory he was traversing, he left the path a few hundred yards from the athletic grounds for the purpose of more quickly reaching the road. He had gone but a short distance through the woods when he noticed the form of a man lying almost directly in front of him. At the time of the discovery Mr. Coffenberry did not think but that the man was alive, but was rather surprised that anyone should seek so isolated a spot to take a snooze, and so addressed the inanimate figure. Receiving no response he advanced a step and was horrified to find himself facing a grinning skull. The body was lying at full length on the ground, but the head was raised, being suspended by a leather strap, one end being looped about the neck and the other being attached to the limb of a tree about two feet from the ground. It was apparent the man had deliberately strangled himself.

After carefully locating the spot in his mind Mr. Coffenberry hurried to the home of Andrew Asp and notified the coroner by telephone. Deputy Coroner Max Pohl soon reached the place with a conveyance and the body was removed to the undertaking rooms.

Besides some papers found in the dead man's clothes a sack was lying near the body, which contained the sum of \$4.25 in coin. He was identified without difficulty. The flesh had almost entirely fallen from the face and the body generally was in an advanced state of decomposition. It is supposed the suicide, for such it undoubtedly is, was committed upwards of two months ago.

N. G. Nelson is supposed to have been about 40 years of age. He had resided for a long time at Seaside, where he had property interests. It is said he followed no particular vocation, but performed labor of different kinds. When he mysteriously disappeared over two months ago, it was known that he was not right in his mind and his unusual death is accounted for by reason of his deranged condition. Coroner Pohl will return to the city today and will decide as to an inquest and the burial. There are no known relatives in this part of the country.

OFF TO SEE THE PRESIDENT.

Last night's train carried a large crowd of Astorians bound for Portland to see the president, who will arrive in the metropolis today. The delegation which left last night was not nearly so large as that which will go this morning. Portland expects 20,000 visitors today, and hotel accommodations will be necessarily hard to find. Those who go up this morning will not have to worry about a place to sleep, as they can return on tonight's train. Among the Astorians who are in Portland are Senator and Mrs. Fulton.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.

A singular accident that almost sent Captain Pickernill's steamer Mayflower to the bottom occurred during Tuesday night. The Mayflower was lying at Fishers' dock and during the night

her guard rail caught on a short pile. As the tide fell, the steamer toppled over, and when her position was discovered she was nearly full of water. The steamer Jordan was conveniently near and pumped out the Mayflower, which came through without damage. Had the mishap not been discovered for another half an hour, the steamer would have been at the bottom of the river in the morning.

HARRIMAN AND HAMMOND

Two Capitalists To Be Identified In A Business Way.

In a recent issue of the San Francisco Call the statement is made that E. H. Harriman, during his short visit in the Bay City was in lengthy conference with A. B. Hammond. Harriman left San Francisco several days ago and returned to the east. While there, however, he spent much of his time with Hammond.

Harriman is very anxious to outflank the Santa Fe in the scramble for southern coast trade. He has purchased the California Northwestern, which will put him into Eureka, a valuable point for which both roads have been contending. Hammond practically owns all the choice timber land in Humboldt county, and Hammond realizes that he will be a powerful ally. Hammond owns what is called the Eureka & Klamath railway, running north out of Eureka, and only a short time ago he declined the offer of the Santa Fe, which wished to purchase the line. The Call suggests that he has perhaps changed his mind and that the road will pass into Harriman's hands.

All these movements tend to confirm the belief that Harriman and Hammond are very friendly and that their business interests are closely identified. Doubtless the business friendship will extend to Mr. Hammond's northern interests, and it would not be surprising if he were to allow his Astoria road to become part of the Harriman system. That Harriman intends making a strong bid for an outlet here is evident from his activity in other quarters, where he is roughing up things with his rivals. If he should become interested in the Astoria road this port would enjoy a great advantage, for Harriman is at the head of a system which operates without regard to the expenditure of millions.

ACCIDENT TO PLEASURE PARTY.

Mrs. Lacey of Nahcotta, Wash., Miss Matthews of Nahcotta, Miss Lidwell and Miss Birdie Lacey of Astoria, took a carriage yesterday afternoon and drove out to the Lewis and Clark. About four miles from town the tongue slipped out of the neckyoke and the carriage brought up at the bottom of a hill in a damaged condition. The horses did not become frightened, else greater damage would have resulted. The ladies' phoned in to Prael & Cook's stable and Manager Elgner went to the rescue of the stranded party. It was at first reported that one of the ladies had been injured, but this was erroneous.

WILL USE ELECTRICITY.

The Tallant-Grant Packing company will use electricity for the operation of its cold-storage plant during the present season. Power will be furnished by the Astoria Electric company. All other cold-storage here are operated by steam.

The Mill and Lumber Workers' union No. 342, held a meeting last evening and transacted much routine business. This union, which is rapidly becoming a prime factor in the circles of organized labor, is considering the advisability of affiliating with the amalgamated woodworkers, and the subject was discussed yesterday evening, though no conclusion was reached in the matter. During the meeting one candidate was initiated.

**Extermination
Of The Blueback**

Salmon Packer Expresses The Belief That The Supply Will Soon Be Exhausted.

An upriver salmon packer, writing to a friend in this city, expresses the opinion that, unless radical steps are at once taken to protect the blueback salmon, this variety of fish will soon entirely disappear. The blueback is the finest of all fishes that are suitable for packing purposes and bring a high price. The flesh is rich and much of the river's fame has been brought by the blueback, the extermination of which would be a serious blow to the salmon industry.

The gentleman who expresses the concern for the future of the blueback has long studied the habits of the salmon. He attributes the decline in the supply of bluebacks to the failure of the states of Oregon and Washington to properly protect their fisheries interests, and he is of the opinion that the blueback may never again be a plentiful fish. In part his letter says:

"I do not think that we will ever again see the day that we could pack 200 or 300 cases of bluebacks (48 half-pound cans to the case). Under our present system of protection, the blueback is becoming a thing of the past. This class of fish does not enter the river until late in April, and by July 15 the run is over. As we have no closed season during this time, it is impossible to secure a supply by means of gear for propagation purposes. Unless this defect is remedied, extermination of the blueback must ensue.

"As an evidence of the decline of the supply of bluebacks, it is only necessary for me to say that we have not packed in excess of 1000 cases yearly for the past four years. By a case I mean four dozen half-pound cans.

"The blueback salmon swims closer to the surface of the water than the chinook salmon and steelhead, and consequently is much more easily fished out. I am of the opinion that the blueback will surely be exterminated unless provision is made for its protection. I have a malice of the belief that unless closed seasons are provided for, your lower river canneries like those of the upper river, will soon be for sale as old lumber. Under the present system the supply will not last more than 10 years.

"The blueback has had no protection whatever; no attention has been paid to them nor have they been spawned. Their decline furnishes evidence of what will become of your chinooks and steelheads without protection for a certain time.

"In my estimation, the refusal of the states of Oregon and Washington to pass a strict Sunday closed law, with a provision in it to burn every piece of gear found in operation and another provision that would place the owner of such gear in the penitentiary every Sunday during the season, was the greatest mistake ever made by those with whom the protection of fishing rests."

Fish Warden Van Dusen recently stated to a representative of The Astorian that he contemplated installing a blueback hatchery at Wallowa lake. Every year millions of little fish are seen making their way out of this lake, and it is believed the fry are bluebacks. The location is an ideal one and will unquestionably be utilized. If so, the supply of this desirable fish may be increased to its former proportions.

ELDER IN FROM 'FRISCO.

The steamship George W. Elder arrived from San Francisco about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The trip was disagreeable, on account of rain. The Elder had a very large passenger list and much freight. Among her passengers were Ross Trullinger, who has returned from college for a short vacation, and Captain Eric Johnson, the well-known bar pilot. The Elder continued up the river after discharging freight for local merchants.

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