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### MYSTERIOUS DEATH

Young Portlander Falls from the Lurline's Deck.

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J. E. Bradley, a Guest of Purser Moran, Disappears Suddenly and Utterly on the Sunday Night Trip Hence to Portland.

On Saturday evening last, when the Kamm steamer Lurline left her dock at Portland for this port, there were on board three young business men of Portland, old friends and schoolmates of Purser Jack Moran, and his invited guests for the round trip to Astoria and Young's River, and return. Their names were J. E. Bradley, W. E. Donovan and W. F. Dowling, and they had all the pleasure derivable from such a trip with such a host; in other words they enjoyed every moment of the outing, and while lying at the dock here, Sheriff M. R. Pomeroy lent his cordial aid in making them comfortable and happy, so that when they left up for the metropolis on Sunday night, all three were lavish in gratified expression of the delights of the outing.

After the steamer left Skamokawa slough, Mr. Moran thought to gather his friends and distribute the state-room courtesies for the night and began to round them up. He found Messrs. Donovan and Dowling easily enough, but Mr. Bradley was nowhere to be seen. The word was passed and every soul on the steamer was soon engaged in scrutinizing every possible nook and cranny, but all to no purpose.

Inquiry developed the fact that the young gentleman was last seen alive on the after saloon deck. This information was given by a lady passenger who boarded the steamer at Cathlamet, and that was the last and only vestige of information obtainable.

The dreadful and unwelcome conviction at last thrust itself upon his friends and the Lurline's officers, that Mr. Bradley had, by some strange fatality, fallen overboard, and the unhappy conclusion was finally and hopelessly accepted. Where or when it occurred could only be conjectured.

It is needless to say his companions were shocked and grieved beyond measure and dreaded beyond all else the

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### AN AWFUL SIGHT.

Frank J. Carney Says San Francisco Is Yet Scene of Desolation.

Frank J. Carney returned last night from a ten day trip to San Francisco, where he was on business. "No one can imagine," said he, "the awful picture that San Francisco presents to one entering the ruined metropolis for the first time since the fire. It is terrible. The places once dignified by huge skyscrapers or costly dwellings are now nothing but scenes of blackened desolation. While there I went over the city and so great was the destruction that I was unable to recognize any of the spots which formerly I knew so well, and could find without asking directions. "The enormous task of clearing away the debris goes on day by day. It seems very slow to an observer, and so great is the mass of ruins that the thousands of wagons engaged in hauling away the stuff seem to make but little impression. A few buildings are going up, some of a substantial nature, but the majority is simply one-story wooden shacks, built temporarily. The Call, St. Francis Hotel, and other buildings, still stand out against the sky, skeleton-like, completely gutted, fearful reminders of that terrible element that destroyed them. Nothing in the way of repair seems to have yet been done on these sky-scrapers."

Mr. Carney witnessed the run on the Hibernia bank, while in the Bay City last week. "The line of anxious depositors extended for four blocks," said he, "and was four deep. There were many women in the line. They cried piteously in some cases, while others even fought to keep their places in the line. Every person who asked for their money received it. The rumor of the insolvency of the institution was said to have started from the statement of a person who had quarreled with a director of the bank and wished to obtain this kind of vengeance. Whether such was the case I do not know. Before I left the city, the excitement had died down, and many who had withdrawn their deposits were returning to put them back."

Mr. Carney said that it was a relief to return to Astoria and realize that earthquakes never visited here.

### STUDIO OF STENOGRAPHY.

Commencing Sept. 17, the Misses Lawson and Nordstrom will open a school of Stenography and Typewriting. The system taught is the Illustrative Short-hand, Unvocalized (Benn Pitman system) revised by Mrs. Linda Bronson-Salmon. The complete course is mastered in 8 to 12 weeks. A limited number of students will be admitted. Those who desire to avail themselves of this opportunity apply to Miss Nordstrom, City Lumber & Box Co. 1w

### COUNCIL MEETING

City Fathers Grind out Lots of Business.

PRESIDENT KABOTH PRESIDES

Council Passes Large Number of Ordinances Relating to Street Improvements--Resolutions--Bills Allowed.

City Council met last night in regular session with President Caboth in the chair in the absence of Mayor Wise, and all councilmen present except Belland. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The petition of P. E. Peterson for a liquor license was read and later ordered granted.

Residents of Alameda avenue presented a remonstrance against allowing any extension of time in the completion of the improvement of that street. The remonstrance was signed by 22 persons. It was referred to the street committee.

A communication from J. H. Duncan complaining against the improvement of Duane street, that it was not being done according to specifications, was referred to the street committee.

A communication from the regatta committee, thanking the council for its aid during the celebration, was read and ordered filed.

Bills from the committee on ways and means, were reported on and allowed as follows: Morning Astorian, \$87.56; J. N. Griffin, \$11.40.

Bills from the committee on health and police were reported on and allowed as follows: M. Olsen, \$5.40; Prael-Eigner Transfer Co., \$16.00.

Bills from the committee on fire and water were reported on and allowed as follows: A. V. Craig, \$12.05; C. W. Holmes, \$25.00; Fisher Bros., \$22.06; H. Foster, 75; A. Neglos, \$4.00; C. E. Linton, \$1.75; Ross, Higgins & Co., \$25.85.

The public property committee reported favorably on the petition of Judson Cole, and it was granted. Building permits were granted to A. J. Henderson, C. B. Allen, E. Thunson. Bills from the public property committee were allowed as follows: City Lumber and Box Co., \$7.30; Frederickson Bros., \$3.00; Troy Laundry, 85.

The committee on streets and public ways reporting favorably on the bid of E. A. Gerding for the improvement of the crossing at Bond and Sixth streets at \$240, the recommendation of the committee was accepted.

The petition for a street light at the intersection of Kingston and Alameda avenues was granted on recommendation of the street committee.

A remonstrance against the improvement of Harrison avenue from 12th street to the McClure line was ordered placed on file.

A communication from the street superintendent regarding the drain on Duane and 9th streets was reported back from the street committee and adopted in accordance with the street superintendent's recommendations.

Bills from the street committee were allowed as follows: S. Elmore & Co., \$16.75; Astoria Iron Works, \$1.25; Fisher Bros., \$12.05; Dill & Young, 27.00; H. Foster, J. Cornu, \$1.00; J. D. Robinson, \$4.00; City Lumber & Box Co., \$63.50; Prael-Eigner Transfer Co., \$16.50; Astoria Lumber Co., \$3.50.

On the reading of ordinances the following were read the first and second times and passed on a suspension of the rules:

Ordinance establishing the grade on Hume avenue from Duane to Commercial street.

Ordinance establishing the grade on Grand avenue from 3rd to West line of McClure's.

Ordinance establishing grade on

Franklin from 4th to 3rd street.

Ordinance establishing grade on 3rd from Exchange to Grand.

Ordinance to improve Exchange street from 9th to 8th.

Ordinance confirming assessment for improvement of 10th from Commercial to Exchange; another for Irving avenue from 18th to west line of Adair's, and one for Duane from 10th to 6th street.

Ordinance establishing grade on Columbia avenue from Lincoln to Melbourne.

Ordinance establishing grade on Melbourne from Taylor to Columbia avenue.

Ordinance authorizing the council to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract for the construction of engine house at the northwest corner of 17th and Commercial streets.

An ordinance appropriating \$46 for the benefit of D. H. Welch, was read the first and second times.

An ordinance providing for the manner of macadamizing streets was passed on its third reading. This ordinance provides that when any street is macadamized it shall be covered first with four inches of crushed rock, none of which shall be larger in diameter than 4 inches and with an inch covering of screenings, which first layer shall be rolled. The second layer is to be like the first, and the whole is then to be thoroughly rolled.

An ordinance laying out an alley through Block 69, McClure's was passed on its third reading.

An ordinance appropriating \$641 for the improvement of Astor street from 4th street to the railroad track was passed on its third reading.

A resolution to improve Franklin avenue from 4th to 3rd was adopted.

A resolution to improve 3rd from Exchange to Grande avenue and another to repair Commercial street from 9th to 14th were both adopted. In the latter resolution the crossing at 12th and Commercial will be covered with a coating of Elastic Cooked Asphalt. This is in the nature of an experiment.

A resolution appointing T. R. Davies, Asmus Brix and I. Bergman as viewers of the extension of the alley through Block 69, McClure's, was adopted.

A resolution accepting E. A. Gerding's bid for the improvement of the Bond and 6th street crossing was adopted.

A number of property owners on Harrison avenue were present and stated that it was the wish of those residing on that street that the street be improved from 11th street to McClure's line. It was stated that the property owners were anxious to see what the cost of making the improvement would be, and desired that the council advertise for estimates on the cost of the proposed improvement, and then if it was found that the property was unable to stand the assessment for the improvement, the owners might make up the deficit, provided that it was not too great. The matter will probably be brought up again at the next meeting and steps taken to advertise for bids on the cost of the improvement.

Councilman Stangland wanted the present "cow ordinance" altered so that owners of bovines running at large should be assessed \$10 before being allowed to remove their animal from the city pound, and that further, a penalty of \$1 additional a day be charged for every day which the animal was impounded. He made this in the form of a motion. He informed the council that Uppertown residents were annoyed greatly annoyed by the many cows which were at large in that section of the city and believed that this strict kind of a measure only would be effective in curbing the nuisance. The revised ordinance will be presented at the next session.

### GOING SOME.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—W. K. Vanderbilt Jr. went over the Vanderbilt cup course, Long Island, Sunday, in 28 minutes. As the course measures 29.7 miles, his speed was better than a mile a minute. It is the best time yet made over the cup course. Mr. Vanderbilt drove a 90-horsepower car.

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### DECK AND DOCK NEWS.

The steamer Yosemite was a Sunday morning arrival from San Francisco, Portland bound for lumber.

The bark Coloma, lumber laden for San Francisco, left out on Sunday afternoon, weather to suit her having arrived.

The French ship Laenec is en route down the river and should reach here this morning. She is laden with grain for Europe.

The steamship Baracouta arrived on Sunday morning from San Francisco, and went directly on to Portland, after dropping a big wad of freight at the O. R. & N. pier here.

The Oklahoma came down yesterday morning with the schooner Andy Mahoney or her tow lines, and that vessel got immediate dispatch for the Bay City, leaving out almost without any delay.

The steamer T. J. Potter made her final run for the summer season on Sunday evening, leaving up for Portland, with an immense lot of freight and quite a number of people from the northshore beaches.

The Heather went to sea again yesterday, bound to Destruction Island with supplies. From there she will go to Seattle and bring out lightship No. 50, which has been under repair there for the past three months. She will be brought to this port and fitted at the buoy dock, after which she will go to her station off the Columbia bar, relieving lightship No. 67.

Latest Styles—All the latest styles in hats chic and new fall models, attractively arranged for the big Fall opening at Mrs. Sarah Ross' millinery store on Tuesday, Sept. 18. 9-16-2t

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. Iredell Jordan of Seattle, are in the city, en route to Los Angeles. Mrs. Jordan is a sister of Judge J. C. Trenchard and they are guests at the Trenchard home.

Hal Rands, a member of one of the surveying parties on the northshore, passed through the city yesterday en route to his home in Oregon City.

Miss Eva Yoder of this city left yesterday morning for a month's visit with her parents at Oregon City.

Mrs. I. S. Slade and little son have returned from a pleasant visit with her parents at Gaston, Oregon, and with her brother at Salem. They did the State fair to its last attraction.

E. A. Lang of Seattle was a business visitor in Astoria yesterday.

E. Tobin, the man of paper, was doing business here yesterday.

William Smith spent the day in Astoria yesterday, coming down from the metropolis on the noon train.

J. I. Kerschberry of St. Paul was a business visitor here yesterday and was quartered at the Occident.

M. C. Markie of Forest Grove was among the host of tourists in Astoria yesterday.

R. C. Bell of Deep River was in the city yesterday, leaving on the Lurline last evening.

Mrs. J. Kennedy, and family, of Skamokawa, spent yesterday in Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kindred departed last night via the Lurline, for a season at Carson's Springs.

Miss Eva Todd of Hubbard has arrived in the city to commence her duties as teacher in the Adair school.

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