

ON RAILROADS

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HEAVY LAMP FALLS ON BRIDGE-TENDER

A. D. Quigley Sustains Serious Injuries From Peculiar Cause.

In one of Quigley's duties to lower the lamps every morning to replenish the supply of oil and trim the wicks, while setting down the signal light from the top of the bridge the hook holding the lamp in some manner became loosened. The lamp, which weighs about 25 pounds, fell a distance of 90 feet, striking Quigley on the head and knocking him down.

At the hospital an examination showed that Quigley had sustained two scalp wounds, a fractured rib and possible internal injuries. His condition, although serious, is not regarded as necessarily fatal.

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The character, feeling and thoughts of a woman are almost always expressed in her attire, she says. And

President Campbell of Eugene Institution Will Ask Legislature for Larger Appropriation.

ENGINEERING WORK MUCH HANDICAPPED

Large Percentage of Young Men Students Wish to Take Up Engineering, but the Facilities for Them Are Quite Inadequate.

Dr. P. L. Campbell, president of the University of Oregon, at Eugene, arrived in Portland today. He declares that the needs of the university are growing far beyond the equipment and present income received from the state.

This is an excellent showing compared with states of equal population and which by this way, have revenues from their respective states greatly in excess of the amount allowed by Oregon.

To remedy this condition a bill will be introduced at the present session of the legislature asking for the present annual allowance from the state be increased from \$47,000 to \$128,000 a year, although at the present rate of growth the university will clearly need \$17,000 a year for maintenance and building alone.

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OAKS AMUSEMENTS MUST METHODIST MEETING IN THE CITY

Flat License Fee of Twelve Hundred Dollars to Be Exact Next Year.

"If the Oaks amusement park wishes to continue its business next year it will have to pay the city a flat license of \$1,200, which has already been accepted," declare Councilmen Preston, Wills and Annand of the license committee. The park people, the committee learned from a report of License Officer McCaskey and from Preston, Wills and Annand of the license committee, have been in the habit of getting a great many privileges for nothing.

According to this report, whenever the season opens the company in charge of the amusement applies for a license and obtains it with the understanding that it will pay for each of the four quarters. When business gets dull the company retires from the premises, and the city gets a license only for the time the park was actually occupied. This hardly ever exceeds five or six months in the year, or the period when open-air attractions pay the highest prices.

Chairman Preston said the matter should be looked into, and the company be required to pay an annual license of \$1,200 in advance. It was reported to the committee that the Portland Light & Power company, which owns the park, intends to conduct it as a free amusement place next summer. The report lacked verification, but Councilman Wills suggested that an investigation be made to see if correct he would move that the license fee be abolished.

Secretary of War Transmits Roessler's Reports to House of Representatives.

LETTER ON COLUMBIA RIVER IMPROVEMENTS

A copy of the letter, in pamphlet form, from the secretary of war to the house of representatives concerning the Columbia river and tributaries above Celilo falls has been received by Colonel S. W. Roessler, United States engineer in charge of the government project for the improvement of the upper Columbia river for which so much data was gathered recently by the government engineers, assisted by the commercial bodies of the upper part of Oregon and the states.

Colonel Roessler's summarized estimate of the cost of improvements from the Celilo falls to the Snake river is \$400,000, with a sum of \$10,000 additional annually for keeping the channel in good condition, free from boulders, etc. Attached to the letter are a number of endorsements from members of the government corps of engineers, recommending the improvement of the upper river and the tributaries, and also estimates of the cost of improving the tributaries.

DEKINDER HAD Tiff WITH WIFE

Burned Scow Home and Took Life Because She Would Not Live With Him.

According to information secured by the police, Peter Dekinder, the aged scow-dweller who ended his life with a bullet last week and whose body was found Sunday morning in North Portland, did so as the result of a quarrel with his wife, Mrs. Dekinder, who resided with her five children at Twenty-first and Thurman streets, and returned to her home after he had failed to contribute to the support of the family. It has been ascertained that Dekinder had threatened to burn his scow and then kill himself and wife.

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SHOPPING NEWS

Ladies' Suit, Cloak and Skirt Stock of the J. M. Acheson Co. to Be Closed Out.

The J. M. Acheson Co. announces that they will not take a single garment from the present location at 131 Fifth street to their new store which will soon be ready for occupancy. This means that the magnificent stock of \$60,000 will be sacrificed and the shopping public will be benefited. The Acheson Co. has made itself felt and appreciated on account of its aggressiveness and it may reasonably be expected that the closing out in a great hurry of the present stock will bring in scores of new customers and afford the firm an opportunity to make many new friends.

MISSOURIANS WON'T DARE TO TIP NOW

(Journal Special Service.) Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 22.—The house today passed the Tubbs anti-tipping bill. It makes it a misdemeanor to tip a waiter, porter or any other servant. The fine is \$5 to \$500.

SAYS SULLIVAN TRUST WILL PAY OUT IN FULL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) San Francisco, Jan. 22.—The new manager of the Sullivan Trust company says the company will pay out in full the claims of the mines of the company have been reopened.

Death of J. Marion Wilcox. J. Marion Wilcox, an Oregon pioneer, died this morning at the Good Samaritan hospital. He has been in failing health for some months and although an operation was performed it was not possible for him to rally. He leaves a wife and two sons. Mr. Wilcox was chief clerk of the Clarendon hotel for a number of years, and for the past 14 years had held the position as secretary of the United Carriage company. Death was due to cirrhosis of the liver. Funeral arrangements will be made today.

FIRST AUTO RACE WON BY BERKELEY

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Bishop Moore of the Methodist church returned this morning from an out-of-town trip east and is in the best of health. He says the northwest has been selected for the meeting of some of the important committees of the church.

The conference of bishops will be held in Spokane some time in the fall, an important missionary conference will be held in Seattle, and this city has been selected as the place for the annual meeting of the home mission committee, while it is possible that the educational meeting will be held in Tacoma.

The committee which is to meet here has already disbursed a large sum of money and this will be the occasion for bringing a large number of visiting clergymen to the city as well as representative lay members of the church. Among those who will be here are Dr. King, Hill, Boswell, Fitzwater, Platt, Elliot and Robert Forbes.

While away, Bishop Moore attended the funeral of Bishop McCabe. "Probably no death has occurred in a century," says Bishop Moore, "has been so keenly felt in the Methodist church. Two of the other notable men of the church, Bishop Fowler and Bishop Hamilton, have been very ill, and great concern has been felt for them. Bishop Fowler suffered a paralytic shock and was for a time deprived of the use of his right side and of the organs of his voice, but he has rallied and it is hoped with his splendid determination and invincible spirit he may be able in time to resume his duties."

Bishop Hamilton had been ordered south for his health and his friends were much alarmed when news came of the Kingston disaster, for it was thought that he was in that city. They were much relieved to find that he had gone there, but is in retirement elsewhere. He also is said to be improving.

Early in February, Bishop Moore expects to leave the city for the west. Bishop Hamilton, his wife and daughter will accompany him. He hopes to return to this city to spend the summer and anticipate taking part in the dedication of the new church at Pendleton in June.

Bishop Moore will be in the city for the Journal while he was away, and seized it with avidity whenever he could find a copy.

INVESTIGATE THE PRISONERS' FOOD

At a meeting held this morning the county commissioners decided to hold an investigation of the charges that the county prisoners with their families are spending the summer and anticipate taking part in the dedication of the new church at Pendleton in June.

The investigation will be held this evening and each prisoner will be closely questioned. Eberling will also come in for cross-examination. There is a general feeling about the courthouse that sensational developments may result.

Dr. C. C. McCormack, assistant health officer of Multnomah county, has written a letter to The Journal, as follows: "The prisoners in the county jail are used in regard to the fare of the prisoners of the county jail in a way which might cause injustice to others. I would like to say that I have inspected the food furnished the prisoners there at frequent intervals and have questioned them often in regard to it. Since last August there have been but three complaints."

"The first time the meal was unfit for use and was replaced within a few hours by the contractor, the second time one man complained, but no other; the food was good. Last Saturday the five trustees complained that the food served them at noon was bad. Several hours after the meal was served I examined a sample which had been saved and found that this was true."

"This meal was not served to the regular county prisoners, among all of whom it was replaced within a few hours. I find no complaint and whose fare has been good and satisfactory to themselves and their health; with the first exception noted, since last August."

JURY COMPLETED IN TRENT MURDER CASE

Chehalis, Wash., Jan. 22.—The jury in the case of George Trent, who is charged with murdering J. H. Craton at Pe Ell on November 7, has been completed. Forty-four jurors in all were examined. The jury as finally constituted is composed of Jay Agnew, Joseph Manning, M. E. Kent, L. E. Van Ronk, W. Swartwood and Edman Conrad of Chehalis; V. Southwick of Lynden; W. Bowen of Toledo, J. N. Anderson of Napavine, Ernest Cooper of Bremer, A. F. Binkford and Edward Berkharte of Chehalis. Over 40 witnesses have been examined. There is a large attendance in court. County Attorney M. A. Langborne is prosecuting. C. H. Forney and J. M. Ponder are for the defense.

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State Senator Paulman of Pierce county materially aided the lumbermen. His testimony was to the effect that the shippers of this state have lost tens of thousands of dollars during the past year due to the failure of the roads to furnish cars to handle the timber. Figures gathered by both the state railroad commission and by lumbermen who had intended submitting them to state authorities, proving negligence on the part of the roads, were also introduced. It constantly increasing promise of traffic the roads had made no adequate provision for cars and locomotives.

Use Harriman's Stenographer. A feature of the proceeding is the fact that the stenographer of the commission being ill, Commissioner Lane requisitioned a stenographer from the Union Pacific office at Portland. The fastest stenographer at the Portland office at this time here, and now the only man taking down the testimony. It seems strange to many that a railroad stenographer, naturally friendly to the roads, should have the only record of the proceedings taken in an important investigation of this kind, of which he was formerly an employe, and now on leave of absence from Commissioner Lane declared this morning.

We are not seeking to harass the railroads, but to find out the true conditions and to suggest the remedy. The roads have an entire day tomorrow to answer the lumbermen's charges.

AT THE THEATRES

"The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." Tonight at the Hellig theatre, Fourteenth and Washington streets, the splendid English actress, Olga Netherole, supported by the clever American leading man, Frank Mills, and her London company will present Arthur Wing Pinero's grand comedy, "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." Tomorrow, at 7:30 p. m. and 9:30 p. m. Late comers may see the new production of the first act.

"Red Feather" Next Thursday. It is good to learn that once again the De Koven, Klein & Cook comic opera, "Red Feather," will be presented at the Hellig and Washington streets, next Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, January 26, 27 and 28, with a musical-plot, matinee Saturday. There will be a special program of fire, music and entertainment in the dual role of Comedian Fred and Red Feather. The manager Joseph M. Gatten has placed a most popular prima donna, Miss Cheryl Simpson, whose name has been given to the first act. Seats are now selling at the theatre box office for the entire engagement.

"Sergeant Kitz" Next Sunday. "Sergeant Kitz" comes to the Hellig theatre next Sunday, January 27, for four nights. Miss Helen Byron will be seen in the prima donna role, surrounded by a splendid cast of support. "Kit" is a singer and actress of unusual ability, and makes a charming entertainer.

Want to See Baxter. People seem to come from the four corners of the earth to see "How Baxter Butted In," which is being presented at the Hellig theatre this week. Some very clever acting is being done by the members of the Baker theatre company, and the general comment is one of admiration. Baxter will be seen all this week, and a matinee Saturday.

Love Story at Empire. Every-day life is ably depicted at the Empire theatre this week where the Hellig theatre is meeting with great success. Amid the thrilling incidents is blended a pretty love story and plenty of comedy. Several high-class specialties are introduced that lend much interest to the play.

Paris Mirror Dancer. All the way from Paris comes Martine, the mirror dancer, who heads the program of the Grand this week. This is the most spectacular dance ever seen in the city. The Hellig theatre will be crowded to the doors this week. "The Pulse of New York" is a massive production, with many mechanical novelties and some thrilling situations.

"Dad's Girl at Star." Annie Pikel's name is one to conjure with. She was one of the greatest comedienne on the American stage and her great success was "Dad's Girl." This play is at the Star theatre this week, where the Allen stock company is giving a performance which will please nightly. Next week, Milton Noble's "Love and Luck."

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