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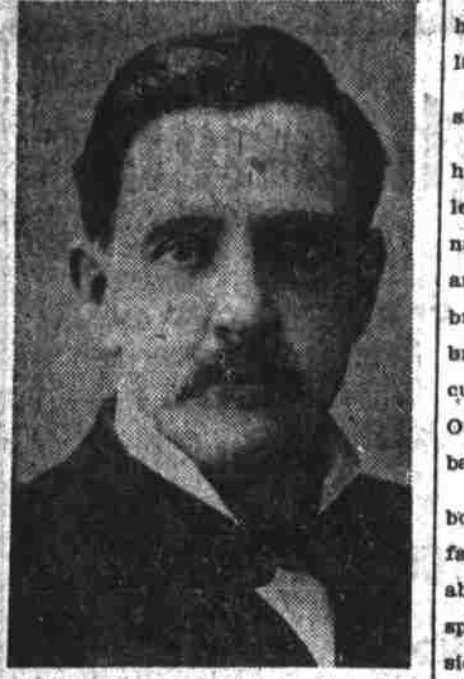
RICKETY RAILROAD LINE CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

PLUM NOW HANGS OVER BURNETT

Salem Judge Believed to Be Final Compromise of Oregon Delegation to Fill United States District Attorney's Office.

Candidate Said to Meet Favor of State's Delegation in Washington—Opposition to Cleeton Eclipses His Chance for Place.

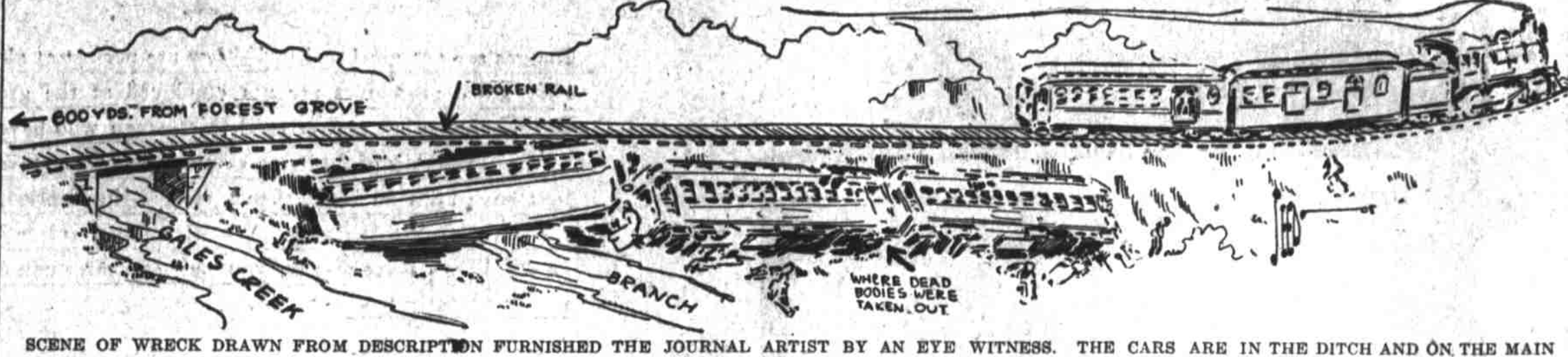
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—Judge George H. Burnett of Salem is now receiving the consideration of the Oregon delegation as a possible United States district attorney to succeed W. C. Bristol, and the indications are that he will receive the united support of the delegation for the appointment. Judge Burnett has been strongly recommended by both Francis J. Heney and by W. S.



JUDGE GEORGE H. BURNETT. Burnett will receive the support of Senator Bourne. It is also believed that the other members of the delegation will unite upon the city's business situation. The recommendation of the new candidate and send his name to the president in a few days supported by the entire delegation. It is understood here that Burnett will resign from his place on the bench if the appointment is given him and assume the duties of the new office as soon as he can qualify for it.

OPENING OF BANKS WILL ENRICH TRADE CHANNELS \$2,000,000

Immediate restoration of a very large amount of money, probably \$2,000,000, to the local channels of trade, and revival of hope and confidence in more than 20,000 depositors, many of them business men and boosters, is regarded as an event of immense significance to the city at this time. Two banks reopening in Portland within a week are expected to have an important effect upon the city's business situation. Although the real estate market is already good, the restoration of normal banking conditions will further stimulate reality. It will also help retail trade, and will send the weekly bank clearings ahead of the same periods last year. The German-American bank opened today at its new quarters in the old bank's location at the corner of Washington and Sixth streets. T. C. Devlin and Samuel G. Reed occupied the respective places of cashier and president. That Mr. Reed has surrounded himself with a strong board of directors is generally conceded among bankers and business men. The bank will at once begin listing the names of depositors representing \$25 or less, and will verify their accounts. After this work is done these depositors will be notified to come to the bank and get their money. The same process will then be carried out



SCENE OF WRECK DRAWN FROM DESCRIPTION FURNISHED THE JOURNAL ARTIST BY AN EYE WITNESS. THE CARS ARE IN THE DITCH AND ON THE MAIN TRACK IS THE LOCOMOTIVE EXPRESS AND BAGGAGE CARS.

TWENTY-NINE PERSONS HURT

Corrected List of Killed and Injured on the Unlucky Sheridan Train.

- The dead:
 JOHN McDONALD, McMinnville.
 MRS. J. E. BATES and BABY, Forest Grove.
- The injured:
 P. S. RIDGWAY, 541 Broadway, Portland, back, head and arm hurt.
 THOMAS C. FINNEGAN, Portland, hip broken.
 L. E. HARBUR, Portland, shoulder and back hurt.
 A. MORRISON, Portland, hand sprained and left arm hurt.
 B. H. GRANT, Portland, shoulder and head hurt.
 W. L. HEMBREE, McMinnville, leg and scalp wounds.
 D. M. MAYBERGER, McMinnville, face bruised.
 M. W. GORDON, side and leg hurt, McMinnville.
 R. G. DEXTER, Sheridan, back and head hurt.
 ALEX PEPAL, knee and back, Portland.
 G. M. BADDERS, Carlton, knee hurt.
 E. BROWN, Sheridan, neck and shoulder hurt.
 J. H. BROWN, Sheridan, head hurt.
 MRS. JAMES BROWN, Sheridan, side hurt.
 FRANK KNIGHT, Dilley, hand and leg fractured.
 MRS. D. STOUT, McMinnville, internally injured.
 J. W. HOWARD, Cleveland, Ohio, side and leg cut.
 R. C. POERINE, North Yamhill, bruised on back and head.
 MAT KARIQUS, Portland, badly bruised.
 J. A. CUNNINGHAM, Carlton, Oregon, cut by glass and bruised.
 MISS GRACE HARDING, Gaston, Oregon, arm sprained.
 FRANK BROWN, Carlton, Oregon, back sprained.
 G. B. TUCKER, Butler, back hurt.
 MRS. P. C. LADY, and HAZEL LADY, both bruised about head and back.
 MRS. STRAHON, Sheridan, cut about face and arms.
 F. SHIELING, McMinnville, cut about head.
 PAUL WEIDNER, Portland, back sprained, leg hurt.
 M. W. POWLER, brakeman, back and side injured.
 MRS. JAMES MOORE, Spokane, slightly bruised, back cramped.

BOILER EXPLOSION KILLS YOUNG TENDER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Bakersfield, Cal., Feb. 12.—Charles D. House, 24 years of age, a boiler tender for the Sunset Road Oil company, was blown to pieces yesterday by the explosion of a boiler. His body was hurled 1,000 feet.

Secretary Robs Diplomat.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Havana, Feb. 12.—By request of the German minister in this capital, the secretary of the legation has been arrested for fraud of \$1,000, and is confined in prison, under constant watch of a guard to prevent suicide, which he has already attempted.

DEATH RODE ON A BROKEN RAIL

Dilapidated rails on an antiquated roadbed caused the fatal accident to the Sheridan train, Southern Pacific, at Forest Grove at 6 o'clock last night. Three passenger coaches were plunged to the ground from a trestle and three persons were killed and 29 injured, some severely. To the slow progress of the train was due the escape of half a hundred persons from instant death. The track is one that has for years been considered too rickety for the traffic it is obliged to stand, but Mr. Harriman's policy of not spending any money for improvement of his railroad property in Oregon, has militated against keeping the branch line of the Southern Pacific company on the west side in good condition.

Three Killed and Twenty-Nine Persons Injured in Wreck on Sheridan Branch of Southern Pacific—Miraculous Escape of Child of Mrs. Bates of Forest Grove—Eye Witnesses' Description of Accident

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Forest Grove, Or., Feb. 12.—Creeping along at a snail pace with a hundred passengers in the day coaches, the west side train of the Southern Pacific company, due at Dilley at 6:20 o'clock last night was derailed at the trestle half way between Dilley and Forest Grove. Not a passenger nor any member of the train crew had the slightest idea that there was danger so carefully was the engineer feeling his way over the rusty rails of the side line to the Harriman system. The train crew had become hardened to the rickety road and the passengers thought that no accident could possibly occur while the locomotive was going at the rate of a bare eight miles an hour.

The weight of the engine must have snapped a rail at the east end of the trestle after which the machine passed over in safety with tender, baggage and express cars. The smoking car and regular coaches were not so lucky. The weakened rail gave way and three of them plunged with an awful crash from the bridge to the ground, where they rolled upon their sides. Mrs. J. E. Bates of Forest Grove, her little son Harold, and John McDonald of McMinnville were killed instantly. Another child of Mrs. Bates escaped without injury. Twenty-eight passengers were more or less hurt, some of them very severely. One woman was pitched violently through a car window and lay stunned upon the ground several yards from the second of the three derailed coaches. As if by miracle she had escaped death and even serious injury, although her face and arms were badly slashed by the sharp edges of the window glass.

not hurt struggled bravely to assist the wounded from the wreckage, working with desperation, for it was thought that at any moment the broken timbers would burst into flames from the Pintsch gas lights, many of which were still burning and the gas escaping from those which were not. Judging from the condition of the ties the middle coach must have left the rails first. The express and baggage car and engine remained on the track. Mrs. Bates, her daughter and Mr. McDonald were killed in the middle car. Eye witnesses say that McDonald was sitting in the center of the car and just behind him were Mrs. Bates and her daughter. All three were on the side away from the direction of the fall, and when the car sunk into the ditch Mrs. Bates was observed to be thrown violently head first against the opposite car wall and her head terribly crushed. The little girl's head was caught under a broken seat and almost severed from the body. McDonald was thrown beneath the seats and when his body was removed it was found that his back had been broken and his skull crushed.

Aid From Cities. Much credit is due the people of Forest Grove and Dilley. A track walker who happened to be near the scene of the wreck hurried to Forest Grove and gave the alarm and from there word was sent to Dilley. Before long hundreds of willing hands were at the wreck caring for the wounded and rendering every assistance possible. Several physicians came from both towns. The injured were transferred to the mail and express cars and the bodies of the dead were taken to Forest Grove. The wounded, except those who belonged in Portland, were sent along the line in the express and baggage cars to their homes.

Mrs. Bates was the wife of Edward Bates of this city and was on her way with her two children to Gaston, where the family recently moved from this city. Mr. Bates was at the depot at Gaston to meet his family and when he heard of the accident his grief was heart-rending. McDonald was a citizen of McMinnville and a stone mason. Oscar Weidner and his father, Paul Weidner, of Portland were the eye-witnesses who saw the woman, child and man killed. Mr. Weidner said: "I was seated with my father between Mrs. Bates and McDonald when the train went off the track. There was a great crash as of glass, then a terrific explosion after which the car toppled over and threw me violently against the side of the coach. There was terrible confusion, men and women struggling desperately to get from the car, while others lay senseless or so badly hurt that they could not move. I saw Mrs. Bates and her child flung with terrific force against the car. McDonald had partly risen from his seat and was hurled all doubled up against the metal arms of the seats. His head struck the hard substance and he must have been rendered unconscious instantly."

Helped His Father. "I managed to help my father to his feet and we crawled through a window; he was badly shaken up and bruised and it was with difficulty that we escaped. I do not see how anyone ever escaped from the car for it instantly began to fill with gas and I was in momentary fear of an explosion, which would have killed every one of the 40 or 50 persons in the coach. The uninjured child of Mrs. Bates was rescued from the wreck by a man whose name I do not know. James Moore, bridge foreman for the O. R. & N. company, with headquarters at Spokane, was on the train with his wife. Mrs. Moore says that it was Miss Grace Harding of Gaston who was thrown through the window when the cars upset. Moore said that Mrs. Harding bravely kept repeating "Hurry boys, fire will soon break out and then I'm a goner."

ANOTHER VICTIM UNDER WRECK?

Report at Gaston and Forest Grove That Unknown Man Was Killed.

The missing man referred to in the story below is A. W. Henry of Gaston. He is 22 years old, and a farmer.

Passengers on the Southern Pacific local from Forest Grove this morning brought the information that the body of a fourth victim of the wreck of last evening may still be buried beneath the wrecked coaches.

No one knew the name of the supposed victim and little was known about him save that he lived in Gaston and was known to have been on the train. He has been missing since the accident. Dr. E. N. Crockett of Portland, conductor Samuel Thompson and engineer Zimmerman, all of whom came down from Forest Grove on this morning's train, said that it was rumored in both Gaston and Forest Grove that a Gaston man had been killed in the wreck and that his body had not been recovered. A Mrs. Westcott of Gaston claimed to have seen the man in the car in which the other three victims of the wreck met their death just prior to the accident.

"We made every effort to ascertain the correctness of the rumor," said Dr. Crockett, "but could find nothing to show that another body might still be beneath the wrecked coaches. When we left Forest Grove this morning the wrecking train had not arrived and it was impossible to get at the facts until the cars had been lifted from the embankment." Conductor Thompson said that it was believed in Forest Grove that another man had been killed, but that the train crew knew nothing about it. He made special inquiry of the men who had been working at the wreck all night and who had removed the bodies of the other dead and they had been unable to find another body.

TURKS AND ARMENIANS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vienna, Feb. 12.—While a band of Armenians was resisting Turkish troops who sought to take them prisoners at Van, Asia Minor, a magazine exploded, killing a great number on both sides. Much damage was done in the Armenian quarter, where several houses were wrecked.

Cruisers for Sale.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Montevideo, Feb. 12.—Fifty proposals for the sale of cruisers from various governments have been made to this government.

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KILLED IN ATTEMPT TO SAVE BABES

Mrs. Sara Bates Loses Life in Forest Grove Railway Accident While Trying to Rescue Her Two Small Children From Death.

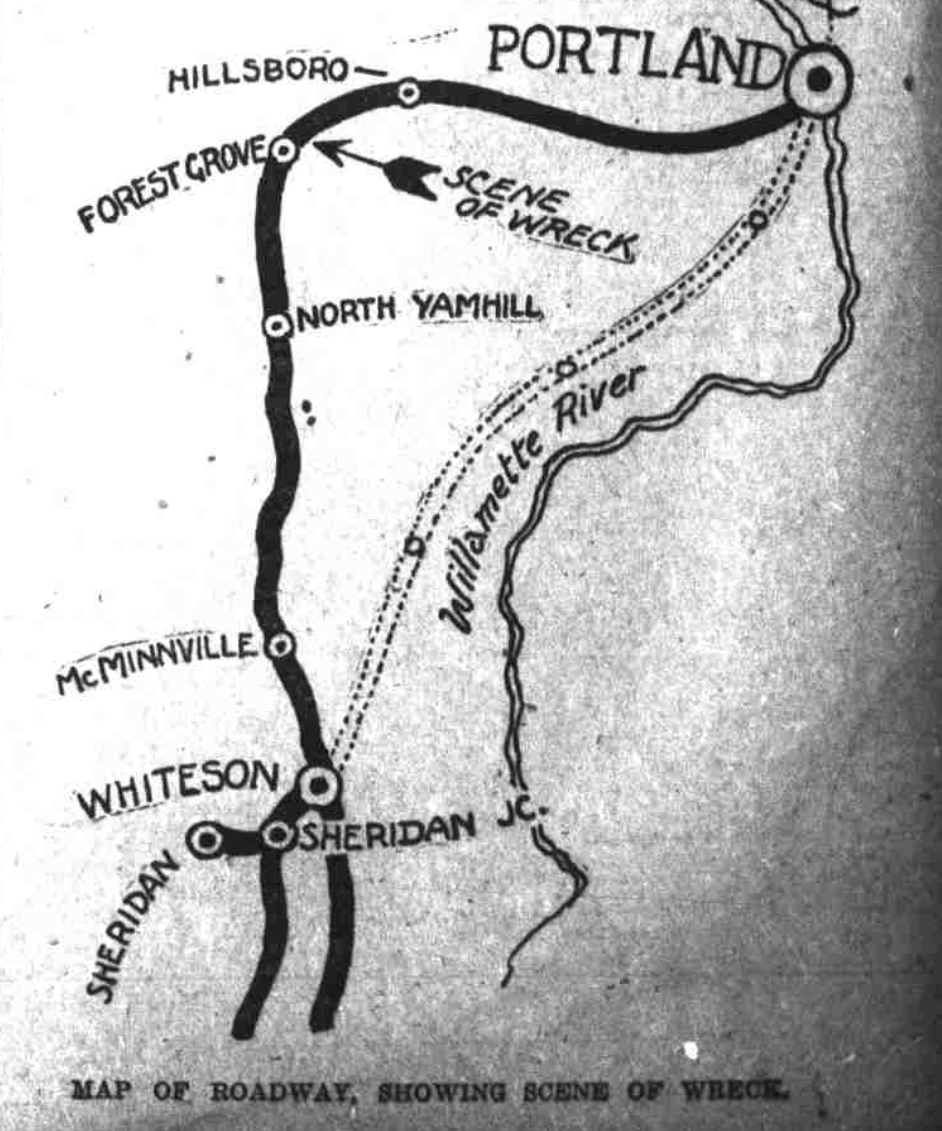
Little Daughter of Heroic Woman Escapes Uninjured but Baby Boy Is Crushed—Narrow Escape of Miss Grace Harding.

By James Pomeroy Howe, Journal Staff Correspondent.

Mrs. Sara Bates, who was killed in the Southern Pacific wreck near Forest Grove last night, in which two other persons met their death and 29 persons were injured, gave up her life in an effort to save her two children, one of whom escaped owing to the mother's efforts. Harold, aged five months, died in his mother's arms, the two being thrown partly through a window and fastened beneath the car as it fell on its side in the gulch near the bridge where the accident occurred.

Mrs. Bates with the baby in her arms and Florence, aged five years, beside her, was riding backward in the coach just behind the smoker. She had been put on the Sheridan local at Forest Grove by her husband, J. E. Bates. The family was moving to Gaston and Mr. Bates intended to drive the distance this morning. Mrs. Bates had hardly seated herself comfortably when the crash came. She was in the front end of the coach in the first seat.

Realized Danger. As the train began to wobble and drag itself over the ties after leaving the track, Mrs. Bates realized the danger of herself and children and reached for Florence. It was a mother's instinct to save her own. Little Florence was next to the window. As the car began to descend Mrs. Bates made a desperate struggle to reach the child, still clinging to the baby with her other arm. In doing so the mother lost her balance and was dashed against the side of the car and the life crushed out of her five months' old boy at the same time. Mrs. Bates and child were caught between the window sill and the ground.



BICKERS GIVEN STATE POSITION

Former Head of Reform School at Home for the Feeble-Minded.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Salem, Or., Feb. 12.—At a meeting of the state board, composed of the governor, treasurer and secretary of state last night, N. H. Looney was elected superintendent of the reform school for another term, and H. E. Bickers, superintendent of the reform school for feeble-minded, was elected superintendent of the new home for the feeble-minded. The vote was unanimous. The appointment of Looney and

COOS BAY JETTY FUND TO DREDGER

Washington, Feb. 12.—Senator Fulton today offered a resolution, which was referred to the commerce committee, that the unexpended balance of the Coos Bay jetty fund be transferred to the fund to maintain a dredger in the inner harbor.

BUSINESS MEN START SOUTH

Inland Empire Excursionists Leave San Francisco for Los Angeles. (United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 12.—The 226 business men of Walla Walla and Spokane, Washington, who have been in the city since Monday night seeing the sights and attending receptions given in their honor, left this morning for Los Angeles. They will make a number of stops en route, the first being at Palo Alto.