

HIT BY TOW LINE, GIRL DROWNED

Her Companion Manages to Cling to Logs in Raft and Is Carried Far Up Stream Before He Is Rescued From Position.

Miss Thetta Stephens Sinks to the Bottom When She Is Struck and E. J. Jeannet Is Unable to Give Her Any Aid.

Holding desperately to a log in a raft and struggling to keep above water for a distance of half a mile, E. J. Jeannet was rescued last night from drowning in the Willamette river when he was making a few last despairing efforts to keep from sinking.

Miss Thetta Stephens, a companion of Jeannet, lost her life when their boat capsized after hitting the tow line of the tug Vulcan which was pulling a log raft up the river past the Portland Shipbuilding yards when the accident happened.

Mr. Jeannet, telling of the accident, said: "We had been out on the river in a rowboat and were returning last night about 9:30, when suddenly, looming through the darkness we saw a towing cable. We both stooped and the rowboat got under the wire all right, but the stern must have caught on the cable in some manner and it instantaneously sank. Miss Stephens made no outcry, but went straight down and never came to the surface again. It all happened so quickly that neither of us had time to say anything.

"I cannot swim very well and holding to a log I watched the waters for a long time in the hope that Miss Stephens would come to the top.

"I tried to climb on raft. "I was so weak when I finally thought of climbing on the raft that I could not make it and fell back into the water, where I was hardly able to keep on top myself. I kept swallowing water and by the time the men on the tug discovered me I was about to drown. I could not have held on another minute."

The drowning man was not seen by the crew of the Vulcan until it had reached the Oregon & Washington Lumber mill, a half mile from the place where the boat and the young girl went down. He was then taken aboard and after working for an hour over Mr. Jeannet, the men had revived him enough to tell his story.

Mr. Jeannet said that he did not see any lights on the raft or he would not have come so close to the tug. An investigation will be made tomorrow morning. Messrs. Edwards and Fuller, inspectors of hulls and boilers, to find out if the officers of the Vulcan can be held responsible for the accident.

Report of Vulcan's Master.

Following is Captain E. T. Watt's report of the accident to the inspectors: "I beg to inform you that while passing the Portland shipbuilding yards in South Portland at 9:30 p. m. July 26, towing a raft of logs, a small boat containing a lady and a gentleman ran into the towline and the boat was capsized. The lady was drowned; the man hung to the raft and was taken off when we landed the raft at the Oregon & Washington Lumber company's mill, a distance of about half a mile above the shipyard.

"We knew nothing of the accident until we arrived at the Oregon & Washington mill, as there was no noise that we could hear to indicate that an accident had happened. We searched the raft and the place where the accident happened and found nothing except the rudder and oars of the boat and the lady's hat. The man gave the name of E. J. Jeannet, address 322 Fifth street; the girl's name as Miss Thetta Stephens, Sandy road, near Woodlawn. We also made a search at daylight this morning, but found nothing.

"E. T. WATTS, "Captain Steamer Vulcan."

Young and Beautiful.

Miss Thetta Stephens was only 22 years old and was one of the most beautiful and popular girls of East Portland. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Stephens, who are now on a tour of Europe. They are pioneers of Oregon. Mr. Stephens is a retired fruit grower. The family home is on the

CHINA DESIRES AMERICA'S HELP

Mission of Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi of Mukden Excites Japanese.

(Special Press Leased Wire.) Tokyo, July 27.—Private advices received here from China today state that the mission of Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi of Mukden, who was recently appointed ambassador extraordinary from China to the United States to thank the American government for remitting a portion of the Boxer indemnity, is more significant than appears on the face of the Imperial order.

Japanese officers are led to believe that Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi's mission has something to do with the restoring of the Chinese administration in Manchuria. It is stated here that the minister will endeavor to interest the American department of state in China's cause in Manchuria and have a diplomatic arrangement made whereby China might be returned to power in her former province of the north.

It is also stated that the minister will seek to interest the American government in the Chinese students residing in America and send money to China to aid in the overthrow of the Manchu dynasty.

San Francisco, July 27.—It is believed by local Chinese here that the mission of Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi to America is not concerned with the activities of revolutionary students. Ng Poon Chai, editor of Chung Sai Yat Po, the Chinese daily here today, said that there are not many revolutionists among the Chinese students in America. Mr. Chai would not discuss the report that China wishes to gain control of Manchuria.

It is thought here that Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi will confer in Washington with King Ching Kwai, special Chinese educational commissioner to America, who is there now looking into educational methods. When King Ching Kwai was here he said that too few Chinese students who are educated in American universities return to China to give their native country the benefit of their education.

Governor Tan-Hsu-Yi is a graduate of Yale university.

"NO CAMPAIGN JOB FOR ME," SAYS BORAH

Senator Lacks Confidence in His Ability to Handle Chairmanship.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Boise, Idaho, July 27.—United States Senator Borah, who has just returned from Colorado Springs, where he attended the conference of other members of the Republican national committee with Chairman Hitchcock, in speaking of the report that he had been selected by the chairman as western manager of the campaign, said: "I do not think the matter has been determined by Mr. Hitchcock. He first suggested it to me in Washington and later at Colorado Springs, and I stated to him that I did not want the position. I do not feel that I have had the experience and I would prefer to work in some other capacity during the campaign. I want Mr. Hitchcock to take that view of it and I am inclined to think he will."

While his ring in this county was a victim of the wrath of the better element of the Republican party in the recent county convention, he expresses his approval of the ticket named, but it is apparent that deep down in his political heart he is disappointed.

Columbia slough near Woodlawn. Miss Thetta Stephens, a brother and two sisters have been living here this summer, the rest of the family being abroad. The sad news has been called to Mr. Stephens, a sister of the drowned girl, by the death of the latter at the O. W. P. waiting room this morning and fell into a dead faint.

The body of Miss Stephens has not been found yet, although the river is being searched by a large number of men and boys.

E. J. Jeannet is the son of H. P. Jeannet and lives at 462 Fifth street. He works in his father's bookbinding shop in Astoria. The young man is 21 years old.

About 1:30 p. m. yesterday the body of Miss Stephens was found on the west side of the river near the Portland Lumber company's mill. James Dunning, deputy coroner, removed the remains to the undertaking establishment of Punning & McEntire, Corcoran street, where an examination took place today. It is not probable that an inquest will be held, as all the facts point to an accidental death.

AGEE TOLD THIS WANTS

Vancouver Soldier Commits Suicide by Hanging Self to Tree Limb.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, Wash., July 27.—Fearing that he would be given a long term in prison before a court martial, Frank Weissgaber of company C, First Infantry, stationed at Vancouver barracks, this morning hung himself to a maple tree within the garrison grounds. The body was discovered by B. J. White while passing along Officers' drive at 4:45 o'clock.

Weissgaber, a private transferred from the Fourteenth Infantry, as he desired to remain in the states. He was known as a tough character and was expected to be court-martialed.

Ten days ago, or about army pay day, he came to town and became intoxicated. Since then he has remained away from his company and would have been declared a deserter last night. Thursday was the last time that it is known anyone saw him alive. Fellow soldiers noticed Weissgaber picking berries in the woods north of the officer's quarters and tried to get him to return but he refused, saying that in days were up he would come back and give himself up as a deserter.

Weissgaber took every precaution against failure in his suicide. He secured a strong rope and after securely fastening it to a maple tree some 12 feet from the ground, he so adjusted the rope that a fall of five feet would take place. This broke the neck, causing instant death.

The deceased had served two full enlistments in the army, being in his third. He was aged 35 years, a native of Memphis, Ohio. The only known relative is a sister living at Steelsville, Ill. No arrangements for the funeral have been made.

Identifies Books.

Mr. Kelly was called as a witness Saturday morning by the government. He was asked to produce certain ledgers and journals of the Booth-Kelly company. These books contain records of the checks and drafts paid by the company to I. Thomas Agee, the government's principal witness. The books were in court this morning and were identified by Mr. Kelly. Later they will be offered in evidence.

Mr. Kelly said he first saw I. Thomas Agee February 24, 1904, when he appeared in the office of the company at 406½ Commercial street in San Francisco. He was identified by Mr. Kelly. Later they will be offered in evidence.

Mr. Agee told Mr. Kelly what he wanted and was ushered into the presence of John Kelly, Robert A. Booth was with the witness at the time. That day of the next Robert A. Booth left on a trip to San Francisco. This was brought out upon cross-examination by counsel for the defense.

It is charged that certain agreements between Agee and the company were made by Robert A. Booth. The draft of the final payment to Agee for 400 shares of stock was dated at that time. Mr. Booth was in San Francisco.

The government finished with Mr. Kelly this morning. He will probably be called later by the defense.

This afternoon the government has a quarter session on the stand and will probably finish with its witnesses by the middle of the week.

DEAD BODY SOLES STEVENSON MYSTERY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Stockholm, Wash., July 27.—Detectives here are spending the day along the banks of Rock Creek yesterday found the mutilated body of Joe Jourquist, lying in the water. Jourquist disappeared from his home two weeks ago, and it is believed the condition of the remains that he had lain in the creek near the point where he was found during that time. A jury was impaneled immediately after finding the body and a verdict of suicide returned.

Jourquist came to Stevenson a couple of years ago from Sweden. He was connected with a wealthy family in Sweden and the members will be notified of his death. A search of his home yesterday revealed considerable jewelry, but no note was left explaining the reason for suicide.

BAKER CITY COMPANY LEAVES FOR CAMP

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker City, July 27.—Company A, O. N. G. of Baker City left for American Lake, where they are scheduled to join other troops of the northwest for maneuvers and field practice, Sunday night. While the company's rifle practice lately has not been heavy, it is known that there are some good shots and there will be no surprise if some trophies are brought back.

MAN CRUSHED BY BOAT WILL RECOVER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Ore., July 27.—John W. Steadman, who was severely crushed about 10 days ago between the steamer Rose City and the wharf while trying to get on board that vessel, is gradually improving and it is now felt that he will recover, although he will be confined in the hospital for some time.

Much Land Released.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Muskogee, Okla., July 27.—The law removing restrictions from 5,000,000 acres of Indian lands became effective today. The event was made an occasion for public celebrations throughout a large section of Oklahoma.

ROPE ROUTE TO COURT MARTIAL

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DUKE GETS HOG DEALER'S DUCATS

No Separation for Manchester Now That Zimmerman Has Settled.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, July 27.—The Duke and Duchess of Manchester are at Killymore castle, Ireland, today, having abandoned all thought of a separation. It is understood that the duke has reached some sort of a financial agreement with his father-in-law, Eugene Zimmerman of Cincinnati.

Although Zimmerman is reported to have acceded to his daughter's demands, he did not give money to the duke. Instead he paid for various Manchester estates which the duke inherited from the duke's heir, the little Viscount Mandeville.

THIEVES STEAL VALUABLE COINS

Second Time Within Year Vancouver, B. C., Carnegie Library Is Robbed.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., July 27.—For the second time within a year the Carnegie library museum here has been rifled and valuable coin collections were stolen. Last night entrance was gained by breaking a basement window, the thief then ascending the stairs to the museum. The Art & Historical association has several valuable collections on show at present worth many thousands of dollars. Only part of these were taken last night, the thief evidently being distracted. The total cash value stolen was a little over \$3,000.

FORMER OPERATIC STAR DIES IN POVERTY

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, July 27.—Patrons of the old Tivoli opera house here are today preparing to bury the remains of Mrs. Helen Dingenon Strigitz, known on the stage in the old days as Helen Dingenon, who died in the German hospital Saturday night in poverty. Mrs. Dingenon, mother of the artist, is critically ill as the result of her daughter's death and may die.

Helen Dingenon was formerly the most popular comic opera singer on the Pacific coast. After appearing in the Royal Odette at Munich and touring the United States and Canada with A. J. Patti, she sang at the old Tivoli opera house here in 1882. She created the part of "Yum Yum" in "The Mikado" and scored other triumphs. She became early separated from her husband and with her mother she had traveled about from place to place. Although she received large salaries in her heyday, she died almost in poverty. For the past two years she and her mother had been at the German hospital where friends had paid their expenses.

PEARL HARBOR PLANS FORWARDED

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, July 27.—According to advices received at the navy department here from Honolulu, the board of officers of which Admiral Seaton Schroeder is president, appointed to investigate the plans for or have the board of officers has forwarded its report to Washington. It is understood that the report makes recommendations for the location of docks and the defenses of the harbor. The chief of the bureau and docks will be the board's time soon and then bids will be called for.

PRUITT EXPECTED BACK IN FEW DAYS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Honolulu, July 27.—E. R. Pruitt, who was reported to have mysteriously disappeared, is believed to be safe and is expected to return to Pendleton in a few days. His wife is still camped at Lehman Springs, a resort 40 miles from here. There is no reason for his leaving. He has had no trouble and is devoted to his wife.

Count Komura Leaves.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, July 27.—Count Komura, the Japanese ambassador to the court of King George V, left today for New York en route to Japan. He will be replaced by the post of foreign minister in the new Japanese cabinet.

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