

MAN IS FRIGHTFULLY INJURED

LEFT ARM OF E. C. DOWNING TORN FROM SOCKET; RIGHT IS SHATTERED IN MILL ACCIDENT

Clothing Catches in Belt While Working Downstairs; Walks to Second Floor to Sum- mon Aid of Son; Ambulance Rushes Vic- tim to Hospital.

Caught by his clothes in a revolving shaft, whirled around at frightful speed until by sheer violence his left arm was torn from the shoulder socket, and he was hurled to the floor with sickening force, his right arm broken in two or three places and almost every stitch of his clothing torn from him, E. C. Downing, of Stayton, still had the strength of body and will to walk up stairs and call for help and treatment.

Mr. Downing was at work cleaning up in the basement of his Stayton chair factory, Saturday afternoon at about 4 o'clock, when in some manner he must have gotten so close to the revolving shaft that his clothing caught on the shaft and instantly had him a prisoner. His son, working upstairs, felt the interruption in the delivery of power through the shaft, but thought it was due to the breaking or disarrangement of the belt tightener upstairs. When his father came up to where he was, so terribly wrecked, but indomitable and brave, he would scarcely believe it was the active man he had seen only a few moments before.

A call was sent by telephone to Salem, and the Olson ambulance hastened to the scene of the accident. By the time the ambulance arrived, Dr. H. A. Beauchamp of Stayton had administered first aid, and had the patient ready to bring to the Deaconess hospital, where he now is for treatment.

On the way to Salem, one of the nurses asked him if his arm hurt him.

"Which one?" asked the steel-nerved patient. "If it's this one I have with me, it hurts a little, but if you mean the one I left up yonder, it doesn't hurt a bit."

The injured man is about 45 years old, and is one of the best known citizens of Stayton.

At the hospital last night it was said Downing would recover unless complications set in.

THREE ARE KILLED IN CHICAGO STORM

Over Two Inches of Rain Falls in 20 Minutes; Much Damage Wrought

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Three persons are dead, the current in the Chicago river was reversed, an airplane was brought down, a dam in the Des Plaines river was bursted, two houses were toppled over and telephone and electric light wires and elevated and street car traffic were crippled as a result of a terrific electrical storm which visited Chicago early today.

The rainfall was 2.68 inches and 1.25 inches of this amount fell in 20 minutes, a record in the history of the local weather bureau. A man was killed when an electric wire was broken by the wind and struck him, a woman was killed when she touched a washing machine which had been left running in the water-filled basement of her home and a three year old child was drowned when he attempted to cross a stream where a bridge had stood, the bridge having washed away during the storm.

Automobile Collision Silverton Sensation

SILVERTON, Ore., Aug. 11.—(Special to The Statesman.)—A collision at the foot of Liberty hill on Main street Friday morning when the large touring car driven by Mrs. Lon Edison and the Dodge sedan belonging to George Steelhammer and driven by Earl Starr ran into each other. Mrs. Edison was coming down the hill and Mr. Starr going up. It yet has not been decided who was to blame and so far no action has been taken in the matter. No one was hurt but both the cars were damaged considerably. The extent of the damage has not been estimated.

SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 27.

SILVERTON, Ore., Aug. 11.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The opening of the Silverton schools has been set for September 24. There are still four vacancies in the grade school.

STELLA BLACKBAY NAMED GUARDIAN

Officers Elected By Wood- craft Neighbors—Meet Next in Corvallis

Stella Blackbay of Salem was chosen district guardian of the Neighbors of Woodcraft which closed a two-day session in Salem yesterday. Other officers elected were Anna Schlick, Albany, district advisor; Verona Nelson, Newberg, district clerk; Eliza J. Darling, Salem, banker; Ada Talbot, McMinnville, magician; Alice Davies, Salem, attendant; Christian Taylor, Corvallis, captain of the guards; Emma Steffarth, Lebanon, inner sentinel; Ida E. Rowley, Dayton, outer sentinel; Grace Cooper, Corvallis, musician; Edith Guthrie, Dallas, flag bearer; Della Mornhinweg, Halsey; Ella Herring, Dundee; Myrtle Harding, Toledo, district managers.

The next convention will be held in Corvallis in two years.

The counties represented at the convention were Polk, Marion, Yamhill, Benton, Lincoln, Lane and Linn. Fifteen district officers and 90 representatives were in attendance at the two-day conference.

Minnie Hiner of Portland, grand guardian of the entire order, was among those attending. The order extends over nine Pacific coast and western states. It is a benefit fraternal association of men and women.

A banquet was served at the WOW hall Friday night and an open meeting was held there last night. A fancy drill was put on by the guard team for the program which was opened to the public.

OSWEGO MAN DROWNS

ASTORIA, Aug. 11.—Carl Kern, 67, electrician of Oswego, Ore., met death while fishing in the surf at Gearhart this afternoon. Kern ventured out too far and was caught by the undertow. He was under about two minutes before the life guard reached him, but was dead when brought ashore. The physicians who attended him gave the cause of death as heart shock.

SUICIDE WAS ONLY ASLEEP POLICE SAID

One-Legged Stranger Warned to Watch Duds Lest He Have to Go Home in Barrel

When a man's clothing, containing all of his personal effects, including a watch and money, are found on the banks of a slough, it is natural to suppose that a suicide has been committed. When these articles are supplemented by an artificial limb and a crutch, the supposition becomes more of a certainty.

Considerable excitement was created in certain circles Friday afternoon, it was learned at the police station yesterday. The above described articles were reported found on the banks of the slough near the end of Mission street. The police were notified and investigated the report.

About the time Chief of Police Birchett was ready to take the wearing apparel to the station and order out the grappling hooks, a reclining body, clad in a bathing suit, was noticed under a tree. The body was that of a sleeping man, a one-legged man.

Chief Birchett woke him up. The man said in answer to the questioning of Chief Birchett that he had merely gone in swimming, and that as the stump of his amputated limb had become quite chilled by the immersion, he had crawled under the tree and gone to sleep in the shade.

After a word of caution regarding such practices, and the possibility of having to go home in a barrel, Chief Birchett returned to the station. He did not ascertain the name of the stranger.

JERSEY CLUB IS MEETING TODAY

Noon Picnic Dinners to be Feature of Session South of Silverton

The Marion County Jersey Cattle club will hold its annual meeting at the Fox farm, six miles south of Silverton and 14 miles east of Salem today. Dinner is to be served cafeteria style, and everybody is urged to bring a well-filled lunch basket. Ice cream and coffee will be furnished, free—genuine Jersey ice cream and Jersey-cream coffee that will float an egg. B. J. Neal of Turner is president of the club and S. A. Riches secretary.

The Jersey club has a large and enthusiastic membership that has been not in the least backward in shouting the Jersey fame. There are several world's records held by Jersey cows in Marion county, and the club has used these big names to stimulate the breeding business. An attendance of between 200 and 300 may be expected at today's meeting.

63RD YEAR OF WEDDING CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Matthews Celebrate Anniversary— Home Here Six Years

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Matthews, 1690 Lee street, yesterday celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Mr. Matthews and his wife, Miss Jennette Willets, were married in Mascoutah, Ill., August 11, 1860. They lived in Lebanon, Ill., for a time, from which place he enlisted in Company B, 32nd Illinois regiment of infantry and served through the Civil war.

After the war they drifted southerly where Mr. Matthews operated large lumber mills in Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana. Later they moved to Idaho, from which state they came to Salem six years ago, and have since made their residence here and proved themselves creditable citizens and good neighbors and have made many friends.

This old couple presented their country with two sons, who are at present active business men of St. Maries, Idaho.

STRIKE AREA CALM BUT TROOPS THERE

Detachments of Soldiers Will Prevent Repetition of Herrin Affair

HILLSBORO, Ill., Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—With a feeling somewhat of amazement, Hillsboro residents today found themselves in the midst of a small army of about 600 khaki clad, steel helmeted soldiers as a result of the strike of several hundred workers at the plant of the American Zinc company.

Everything was calm here after one man had been shot in a riot Friday morning near the plant. Then suddenly about noon today the soldiers began to arrive and by tonight there were eight units of the guard encamped on a farm near the outskirts of town and two more units on the way. All the detachments had arrived except the machine gun company from Paris and the medical detachment from the 130th infantry from Effingham. They were expected tonight. With the memory of the Herrin riots still fresh in their memory, Sheriff Charles E. Hill, Dan Dineen of Decatur, representing the government, and Colonel Albert Culbertson of Danville, representing the adjacent general, decided, as Mr. Dineen expressed it, that "they had better have troops to prevent bloodshed than to have them after the bloodshed."

Do You Remember When Gas First Was Used in Salem? Saloons were Best Patrons; State Subscribed

"An interesting old book has just been turned over to The Statesman for news purposes. It is the record of the Salem Gas company, the first public service company doing business in Salem, and its charter dates to November, 1869, when the city council gave it a franchise to do business. The first gas works were built in 1870, and the book is the record of the original subscribers and the kind of contracts they made for the use of gas.

Saloons Were Prosperous
There were nine saloons in Salem that first year, one for every 500 people in the community—and apparently they needed that many on the scale of drinking then in vogue, for all seemed to prosper. There was one classical establishment, the Oriflamme. Where it picked up the name, no one knows, but probably out of "King Henry of Navarre," the poem. "Wash" Plamodon also ran a saloon. He was rated as one of the most upright men of his business who ever did business in Salem. There were all kinds, however.

Capitol Downtown

"Bill" Griswold signed up for gas for his building on Commercial street, where The Statesman had its home for almost 40 years. J. K. Gill, now the biggest book and stationery man of the north-west, who built a palatial eight-story book home in Portland last year, had a store on State street, and signed up for gas.

The state of Oregon had a downtown capitol in 1870, in three of the old-time city office buildings. There were five state offices that had to scatter themselves all over the office district of Salem. All signed up for gas, the best light then known.

The Odd Fellows hall, the IOGT, and a Shakespeare club, all took gas. What became of the Shakespearians, and whether they died as did King Lear, or most of the tragical characters of the great dramatist, does not appear from the records. Maybe they took the gas to die on!

Opera House Lights Up
Red's Opera house at Liberty and Court, was the first signature on the book. Thomas De Witt was the second. The People's Transportation company, the steamboat line on the Willamette, was No. 4; and the Oregon & California railroad land department was No. 5.

T. B. Rickey signed up for the gas. (Continued on page 4)

ANOTHER OLD FAN WANTS BASEBALL AT OREGON STATE FAIR

State Fair May Have Baseball Tournament This Year—Many Baseball Fans Want America's Most Popular Sport Introduced at State Fair

Yesterday "Old Baseball Fan" stepped out with the urgent suggestion that the state fair board put on a baseball tournament at the fair grounds during state fair week this year.

Today "Another Old Fan" rises to second the motion—and makes it strong. How about it? Anybody else? If you think the fair board ought to put on a tournament let the Statesman know about it. Here is what "Another Old Fan" says:

"Old Baseball Fan" in today's Statesman strikes a popular chord. I could not play the game very strenuously now after 40 years of absence from the bases, but I would just love to see such a tournament as the old fan proposes—a tournament without the professional or mercenary taint; a tournament in which the spectators would take a personal interest by reason of neighborly rivalry and personal knowledge of the players.

"By all means, give us a baseball tournament by amateurs.

"ANOTHER OLD FAN."

WAIT PORCH BOX AWARDED PRIZE

Second Place Won By Mrs. George Waters in Floral Society Contest

The porch box of Mrs. Ennis Wait, 431 North Front street, was awarded first prize in the contest conducted by the Salem Floral society which closed yesterday. Mrs. Wait's porch box contained purple petunias. The box was awarded a score of 298 per cent out of a possible 300.

Second place went to the porch box of Mrs. George Waters, 384 North Summer street. The box contains lobelia, ageratum, bellotrope, alyssum, and red colas. The judges commented in particular on the fact that the colas was of the same shade as the red trim of the stucco house. It was awarded 295 points by the judges.

Honorable mention was given the porch box of Mrs. T. L. Billingsley, 2416 State street. Of special interest at Billingsley's were the shades of blue in the box and below the box on the ground all of which blended together to make a desirable combination in the opinion of the judges. Blue hydrangeas were on the ground below the box while the box itself contained blue lobelia, white alyssum, Mrs. Hill geranium, and hardy pink geraniums. The box was considered the most symmetrical and the blues were spoken of by the judges as most effective.

The judges were Mrs. J. C. Butler of Independence, Mrs. J. S. Landers of Monmouth and Mrs. E. T. Hodgkins of Albany. Mrs. Lawrence T. Harris is president of the Salem Floral society which was in charge of the contest. Another contest will be held later in the season for asters and sinlias. Entries are now being made at the Breithaupt Florist shop on Liberty street. Fifteen porch boxes were entered in the contest which closed yesterday.

Thomas Jones Injured When Struck By Auto

Thomas Jones, 82, retired, who lives on South 24th street, was severely injured when he was run over by an automobile on State street in front of the Blessing & Grey pool hall late yesterday. The automobile was driven by J. H. Wilson, 1369 South Thirteenth street.

Mr. Jones received a broken collar bone and severe cuts and bruises, but it was said at the hospital that his injuries are not likely to terminate seriously. Wilson threw in his clutch while the machine was in reverse backing over the curb and hitting Jones while on the walk, eye witnesses stated.

COOLIDGE HAS MANY CALLERS ON RETURNING

Seven Departmental Heads Confer With President During Day; Cabinet Meeting Called Tuesday

SPECIAL SESSION NOT BELIEVED IMPERATIVE

No Need at Present Is Opinion Expressed—Question Kept in Mind

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—President Coolidge, returning to the capital today from Marion, where he attended the funeral of President Harding, summoned cabinet officers to his temporary executive offices and expressed to them his desire that the administration forces close ranks and march ahead. He reiterated his wish that all present cabinet members continue in office, and some of his callers are of the opinion that there will be no changes in the executive's official family for some months at least.

Stagely or in groups the heads of seven of the government departments conferred with Mr. Coolidge, placing before him details of the more important matters pending in their spheres of government. They were Secretaries Hughes, Weeks, Hoover, Work and Wallace, Postmaster General New and Attorney General Daugherty.

Secretaries Mellon and Davis are out of the country, and Secretary Denby has resumed his vacation on his Michigan farm. Mr. Coolidge will confer with them when they come to Washington.

Factions Present Views
Announcements were made that regular meetings of the cabinet will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays as has been the custom, with the new president presiding at his first meeting next Tuesday. This meeting will be held in the White House executive office, which will be taken over by the president on Monday. He and Mrs. Coolidge, however, will continue to live at the New Willard hotel until Mrs. Harding has left the White House.

President Coolidge made it known that although he sees no need for an extra session of congress at this time, he is keeping his mind open and listening to views on the subject from both sides. While pressure for such a session to consider the coal and agricultural situation continues, a majority of those with whom the executive has discussed the question have been in opposition.

George Otis Smith, a member of the coal commission, discussed the threatened strike of anthracite miners with Mr. Coolidge today, while Representative Graham of Illinois, a candidate for the Republican leadership in the next house, and Wurbach, Republican, Texas, conferred with the executive on both the coal and agricultural sessions.

Meets Correspondents
Besides members of the cabinet and other officials, the executive received today the newspaper correspondents who accompanied President Harding on his fateful journey to Alaska. He told them he had had a meeting with the other correspondents here before their return to Washington and that he desired to meet them and to request their cooperation. He said he would follow the practice inaugurated by President Harding of meeting the newspapermen each Tuesday and Friday.

Others who called on the president during the day included

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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Sunday fair; continued warm in the interior; gently westerly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER

(Saturday)
Maximum temperature, 91
Minimum temperature, 65.
River, —1
Rainfall, 0.
Atmosphere, clear.
Wind, northwest.