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A FATAL RAIL- WAY ACCIDENT

Benjamin Emerson Dies From
Injuries Sustained in Land
Slide on Tillamook Road

A distressing accident occurred on the Tillamook-Portland railroad last Thursday resulting in the death of a well known and highly esteemed young man of Cottage Grove, Benjamin W. Emerson. It seems that the regular passenger train, which pulled out of Tillamook for Portland Thursday morning was followed by a freight train upon which Mr. Emerson was a member of the train crew. Upon passing through a tunnel the passenger train came upon a land slide in a deep cut. The train was stopped and a flagman sent back to signal the approaching freight train and in the meantime workmen began removing the obstruction from the track. After the freight train reached the scene, the trainmen came forward to view the slide. Mr. Emerson being among other members of the crew. Upon starting back to their train a small boiler which had become dislodged from the engine, bouncing over the embankment and struck Mr. Emerson on the side of his head. For a moment he was stunned, but soon afterwards as he was not seriously injured. After going to the freight car and changing his clothing he began to show symptoms of being more seriously injured than was at first indicated and a little later became unconscious. He was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital at Portland as soon as possible, where he died from his injury Thursday evening, Dec. 31, 1914.

Benjamin W. Emerson was born at Latham, a short distance south of Cottage Grove, March 22, 1886, and was 28 years, 9 months and 9 days old at the time of his death. He grew to manhood in this community and always bore the reputation of being an industrious, honest and most exemplary young man. He is survived by an aged mother, Mrs. D. C. Emerson, who resides in Cottage Grove, and three brothers, Edward E. of Butte Falls, Leon C. of Lakeview, and Albert S. of Dunsmuir, Oregon, and a number of other relatives residing in this community. All members of the family were present at the funeral services here yesterday.

Deceased was a member of the I. O. O. F. the W. O. W. the Elks and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen orders. The funeral was one of the largest attended ever held in this city, and was conducted at the Methodist church, Rev. H. N. Adrich, officiating. Music was furnished by the male chorists of that church, and those orders attended the service in a body, the Odd Fellows, W. O. W. and Elks, the Woodmen of the World conducting the burial service at the Shiloh cemetery. Many beautiful floral offerings were presented, an evidence of the high regard in which the family is held in this community.

ITINERATE SCHOOL FARMERS INSTITUTE

Oregon Agricultural college experts and Lane County Agriculturist, R. B. Cogdon will conduct a farmers institute in Cottage Grove Friday and Saturday Jan. 8 and 9. The complete program is as follows:

FRIDAY

10:00-11:00.....W. S. Brown
Care of the Young Orchard.
11:00-12:00.....C. C. Lamb
Poultry Feeding and Management
1:00-2:30.....W. S. Brown
Small Fruits.

2:30-4:00.....C. C. Lamb
Poultry House Construction.
7:00.....L. P. Harrington
Industrial Club Work—How
the Parents Can Help.

8:00.....W. S. Brown
Horticulture Illustrated.

SATURDAY

10:00-11:00.....E. B. Fitts
Improving the Dairy Herd.
11:00-12:00.....R. E. Reynolds
Hog Feeding and Management.
1:00-2:30.....E. B. Fitts
Feeding for Milk Production.
2:30-4:00.....E. B. Fitts
Dairy Cow Judging.

These sessions will be held in the Armory.

Domestic Science.

FRIDAY

10 a. m.Miss Turley
Bread Making, Lecture and
Demonstration.

2 p. m.Miss Turley
Completion of Bread Making
Demonstration, Vegetable
Cookery

SATURDAY.

10 a. m.Miss Turley
Cuts of Meat, Meat Cookery
Lecture and Demonstration.

2 p. m.Miss Turley
Left-over Meat and Meat Sub-
stitutes, Lecture and Demon-
stration.

These sessions will be held in the high school building.

HARREL & COMPTON NEW TRANSFER FIRM

L. L. Harrel, proprietor of the Cottage Grove auto and dray transfer company, has taken a business partner in the person of Nate E. Compton, late of the Burkholder-Woods Co. and the new transfer firm will be styled, Harrel & Compton. The new partnership makes a good strong team, as both are well known and popular in this community. They have a first class equipment, ample for all the needs and requirements of the city and have a well established business. Here's wishing the new firm much prosperity for the ensuing year.

Special Meetings.

Revival meetings opened at the M. E. church Sunday evening and will continue during the month of January. The opening meetings have been well attended and much interest already manifested, more than 50 pledge cards being signed by persons outside the church the first evening of the meetings. A good song service precedes each service.

BUSY SESSION CITY COUNCIL

Annual Reports Submitted and
Police and Other Officers
Appointed for New Year

The city council met in regular monthly session Monday evening and the newly elected officers were sworn in. The report of the several officials were submitted and read. A few petitions for additional street lights were referred to the light committee and the usual bills were allowed.

Green B. Pitcher was re-elected as city marshal for the ensuing year, and Jas. H. Brown was re-appointed as night marshal, or police officer. Both of these men have proven very efficient officers and while all of the other towns up and down the valley have reported burglaries and hold-ups this winter, not a single case of this kind has occurred here. Neither are hobos or suspicious looking characters permitted to loaf about the streets of this city either by day or night, and this Cottage Grove rule is understood among that element from San Francisco to Portland. Whenever there is a tendency toward rowdiness manifested in this city it is also promptly and effectively discouraged. Therefore the Leader maintains that no city in the state has a more alert, efficient and worthy day and night marshal than has Cottage Grove in the persons of Green Pitcher and "Jim" Brown. The council acted wisely in re-electing them for another term.

O. L. Nichols was re-elected City engineer for the ensuing year.

Dr. W. W. Oglesby was re-appointed to serve for another year as city health officer.

J. E. Young was re-appointed as city attorney for the ensuing year.

Mrs. A. B. Wood and Mrs. Lincoln Taylor were appointed by the Mayor to serve on the library board.

ANNUAL REPORT

The treasure submitted his report showing cash receipts of his office as follows:

Cash from fines.....	\$219.00
Cash from licenses.....	124.00
Cash from Dog licenses.....	27.00
Cash from pond fees.....	4.50
	\$374.50

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Following is the annual report of the city health officer. Births; males, 34; females, 32; total, 66. Deaths, males, 15; females, 8; total, 23.

Our people have been kind in helping the health officer in keeping the city clean and free from infectious disease.

Following my annual report I wish to say a few words in reference to sanitary conditions.

While we have a comparatively clean and healthy city, this has only been accomplished after years of hard work and many thousands of dollars spent in sup-

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CHARLES COOLEY BUYS CONFECTIONERY

This week another business change has been effected in this city, Charles Cooley having bought the Bon Ton confectionery, which he will re-open to the public Saturday and will carry a full line of confections, soft drinks, tobacco and cigars, and he will also conduct a first class restaurant in connection. Charley has had a great deal of experience in this line of business in which he has been engaged before in this city and he has always "made good." He has a wide circle of friends here and in north Douglas county who will give him a chance to cater to their wants again in his line, and who will wish him and the Bon Ton success. Through the Leader he extends a cordial invitation to his friends and old patrons to call and see him in his new quarters. A share of the public patronage is solicited.

"Just Twenty Years Ago."

Geo. Cooley, who conducts a hotel at Paisley, and who has been spending the holidays with his father, Alex Cooley now nearing 80 years of age, favored the Leader with a pleasant call Saturday. George and the writer learned readin', writin' and rithmetic in the little old school house which used to stand by the Latham railroad bridge in the early pioneer days. It is recalled to mind that a commotion was caused in school there one winter day when a cave-in on the creek bank near the end of the railroad bridge unearthed an ancient Indian grave containing a skeleton, beads, tomahawk and an old Kentucky rifle, which were added to the U. of O. collection at that time.

THE EXPOSITION IS OPEN TO THE WORLD

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 1.—The Panama-California exposition was opened to the world at midnight by the push of an electric button by the president in Washington, D. C., and formally dedicated at 11 o'clock this morning by the president's personal representative, Secretary of the Treasury William McAdoo.

At the formal dedication this morning Lyman J. Gage, former secretary of the treasury, presided, and the list of speakers included Mr McAdoo, President Davidson, and many American and foreign notables.

Hot Lake Not Frozen.

An item has been going the rounds of the press lately to the effect that during the recent unusual cold snap at "Hot Lake Springs," the famous Oregon health resort, the Lake was frozen over. Dr. G. W. Tape, manager of this Hot Lake resort, writes the Leader, that the story is absolutely false. There is a small, clear, cold lake near the hot lake which freezes over nearly every winter, but hot lake is always hot and is not effected in any way by weather conditions.

SAW MILL MAN IS OPTIMISTIC

Anticipates an Early Advance
In Price of Lumber and
Will Resume Operations

Eugene, Jan. 2—Anticipating a material rise of from \$2 to \$3 in the price of lumber, now selling at \$10 a thousand, the Coast Range Lumber Company is at present booking new orders. This is the statement of C. F. Gatke, manager of the lumber's mill at Mabel, in the Mohawk valley east of Eugene. The mill is at present closed for the holidays, but the manager announces it will reopen on February 1. There is sufficient lumber on hand to last until this time, he states.

Mr. Gatke bases his belief in a general rise of prices and the end of the present lumber depression in the general tendency of the market. He expects the change to come soon after the first of the year, and says that it will mark the beginning of an entire revival of the lumber business. He refers to a big order for 4,000,000 ties from English sources, which is now being figured upon by coast mills. This appeared a week ago, and although he states it cannot be handled by the inland mills, he regards it one of the factors which will relieve the present strain.

The mill at Mabel is one of the larger mills in the state. It has a capacity of 100,000 feet daily, and is modern. It is partially an electrically-driven mill.

"The first of the year always marks the spring buying on the part of the lumber yards, just as it does for any of the wholesalers," stated A. C. Dixon, manager of the Booth-Kelly company, today. He speaks conservatively, and declines to predict for the year. "I have talked with a number of the large Portland lumber men during the past week, and they are all watching the arrival of the new year with interest. Such factors as the rate increase, the large crops, the restoration of confidence, and changes in the war situation, are considered," says the Guard.

E. Koppe, manager of the Eugene woolen mills, one the largest in the state, declares the new year brings hope in that business. He states that the Pacific coast mills are particularly fortunate in handling blankets and mackinaws, and goods for which there has been a heavy demand.

"Business has been fair up to this time," he states. "It has been better in fact than we expected."

It is announced that Germany holds 8138 officers and 577,875 soldiers prisoners principally Russians. The Russians hold 1140 German officers and 134,700 German soldiers as prisoners. The number of prisoners held by England and France is not announced.

Arizona is now doubly dry.