

ELK'S EXCURSION TRAIN WRECKED

Plunged Down Into a Deep Gulch.

Two People Were Killed Outright and Many Fatally Hurt.

Portland Elks Were on Their Way to Olympia to Attend a Big Clambake.

(Scripps News Association.)

Chehalis, Wash., Aug. 22.—A terrible accident occurred near here this forenoon. The Elks of Portland chartered an excursion train to run from Portland to Olympia to attend a big clam bake at Olympia today.

The train left Portland at 7 o'clock this morning and all went well until a point between Napavine and Chehalis was reached where the rails spread and the engine and seven cars ran off the track and into a deep gulch, carrying with them the 300 passengers on the train.

To add to the horror of the accident the locomotive exploded, causing a great panic among the unfortunate victims.

It is known that two persons were killed outright and several were fatally injured while many received minor injuries.

DEAD AND INJURED.

Killed—Charles Farleman, the oldest Elk in Portland; one of the five tramps riding on the brakebeams, (name unknown).

Injured—Miss Comstock, of Hillsboro, sister of Dr. Cornelius, of Portland, (fatally); Mrs. Campbell, arms torn from sockets; Dr. Cornelius, Tillie Cornelius, his niece, (fatally); Dr. Morrow; Reporter Daniels, of the Oregonian, arm broken; John Kelly and wife; Dr. Brown and wife (wife will die); Kratz, saloon keeper, Max Scriver, cigar dealer and secretary of the Portland lodge of Elks; Charles Haas; Mosher, Purdue, Dr. Littlefield, (face and hands cut).

Others are injured but this list is as far as could be secured.

RELIEF TRAIN SENT.

The Northern Pacific railroad company sent out a relief train from Chehalis shortly after the accident occurred. The train carried physicians, nurses and all other necessary help possible to alleviate the sufferings of the injured.

England's Ex Premier Dead.

(Scripps News Association.)

London, Eng., Aug. 22.—Lord Salisbury, the great English statesman and writer, died this evening at eight o'clock.

Lord Salisbury had been unconscious almost all day and no hope was held out for his recovery.

Telegrams of condolence are arriving from all parts of the world.

All the members of Lord Salisbury's family were at the death bed. The cause of death is reported to be Bright's disease.

Drowned at North Yamhill.

(Scripps News Association.)

North Yamhill, Or., Aug. 21.—Frederick Knapp, a prominent hop grower of this place, was drowned in the mill dam late yesterday evening. He was watering his team when one of the horses kicked him and knocked him into twelve feet of water. He was knocked insensible and drowned before he could be taken out of the water.

Will Instruct O. N. G.

(Scripps News Association.)

Portland, Aug. 21.—Captain Johnson, of the Nineteenth U. S. Infantry, stationed at Vancouver, has been appointed to instruct the Oregon National Guard at the encampments at Gearhart Park and Roseburg in September.

Adds to His Holdings.

Cottage Grove, Or., Aug. 22.—The Oregon Securities Company has purchased the valuable Broadway group of Griffith and Reed. This group borders on the Champion Basin, in the Bohemia district. This gives the company an unbroken chain of three miles of valuable mines and ledges.

WATER FAMINE AT HEPPNER

(Scripps News Association.)

Heppner, Or., Aug. 21.—To add to the misery caused by the great flood of a few weeks ago, Heppner now has a water famine.

The pump which supplies the reservoirs of the city water works broke down the other day and cannot be repaired until certain parts arrive from Chicago.

In the meantime water is being apportioned out to residents in smallest quantities possible. Some people are beginning to haul their water from great distances.

The water is so scarce that there is not enough for people to wash their faces.

The famine will be particularly hard on horses and cows, as they have to hunt water for themselves.

A BELT LINE AROUND PORTLAND

(Scripps News Association.)

Portland, Aug. 21, 4 p. m.—Southern Pacific officials late this afternoon gave out the announcement that the company would at once commence the construction of a belt line around Portland at a cost of \$2,000,000. The work includes a new bridge across the Willamette river, connecting Oswego on the west side and Oak Grove on the east side.

CRUSHED TO DEATH AND DROWNED

(Scripps News Association.)

Hood River, Or., Aug. 21.—Two fatalities occurred at the Mount Hood sawmill near this place today at the same time. Clifford Stubb and John Johnson were the unfortunate. They were working on a log boom when in some manner they both fell in the water. The moving logs crushed the life out of Stubb, and Johnson was drowned before help could reach him.

CLEVER TRICK OF A PRISONER

Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 21.—Albert Ecklund, alias George Johnson, who was being taken back to Chicago to answer the charge of grand larceny, affected a remarkable escape from Detective Wm. Marsden. While Marsden was sleeping beside his prisoner Ecklund secured the keys to the shackles, released himself and then shackled the officer to the steam pipes. Having relieved the officer of his weapons and other property, Ecklund left the train at Laramie. As Marsden had absolutely nothing on his person to prove he was not a prisoner, the trainmen would not release him. The railroad authorities telegraphed to Chicago for instructions, and when the train reached Sidney, Marsden was finally released from his predicament.

Linn County Farmer Killed.

Albany, Or., Aug. 22.—J. H. Caldwell, a progressive Linn county farmer, was killed by being struck on the head by the sweep to a horsepower at his farm, three miles from Albany, yesterday. Caldwell was an old-fashioned horsepower which he has been using for operating a wood-saw, fanning mill and other machinery, on his farm.

He had just hitched his horses to the machine preparatory to moving it to the woodpile, when something started one of the long sweeps to moving. It swung around to Caldwell, striking him on the head and arm, causing concussion of the brain and death.

Drowned at Newport.

Newport, Or., Aug. 22.—William Kleemann, of Portland, was drowned yesterday at 11 o'clock while surfing. He swam out too far in the surf and was unable to return in spite of desperate efforts to save him by Bush of Salem, and C. A. Burden, of Eugene. Kleemann sank from sight in full view of hundreds of horror-stricken spectators on the beach. The body has not been recovered. If there had been a few feet more of life line, Kleemann could have been rescued.

He was 23 years old and was quite popular in Portland.

Three Killed at Pe Ell.

Chehalis, Wash., Aug. 22.—Three men are dead as a result of an accident on W. C. Yoemas' logging railroad at Pe Ell yesterday. About 8 o'clock, half a mile south of Pe Ell, the logging engine was backing down a grade, pulling two cars loaded with logs, when the engine suddenly left the track. Five men were on the engine at the time. Engineer Hendrick, John Hamaker and Kolberg were crushed and scalded to death. The other two were slightly hurt.

RELIANCE WON RACE

Beat the Shamrock Today by Ten Minutes.

A Very Pretty Race—The Yachts Were Very Close Together at Times.

(Scripps News Association.)

Highland, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The greatest enthusiasm prevailed here today. The waters were filled with hundreds of crafts of every conceivable description, fighting for desirable positions to watch the great yacht race between the English and the Yankee boats.

On the shores there were fully fifty thousand spectators watching the races from every available point.

Today's race witnessed some of the cleverest jockeying for a start ever seen for a yacht race. After considerable jockeying the starting gun was fired amid the cheers of thousands and the great race begun.

During the run to the outer mark the two boats showed the finest fight ever yet put up for the America cup. Two miles this side of the outer mark the boats were racing side by side, and were so close to each other that conversation could be carried on between the occupants of the two boats.

Highland, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The Reliance rounded the outer mark in fine shape at fifty-five minutes and thirty seconds after one o'clock. The Shamrock rounded the mark two minutes and thirteen seconds behind the Reliance.

After all the time allowances the Reliance was now thirty seconds ahead.

Highland, 2:25 p. m.—The Reliance is now leading the Shamrock by four minutes, and is plunging through the waters at a terrific rate.

New York.—Time of finish of the great yacht race:

Reliance 3:17:45 p. m.

Shamrock 3:29:40 p. m.

Reliance wins the race by ten minutes.

STREET CAR WRECKED

(Scripps News Association.)

Seattle, Aug. 21.—A street car heavily loaded with women and children got beyond control of the motorman as it was coming down a grade in the suburbs of Seattle this morning and jumped the track on a sharp curve. Running a short distance on the ground the car jumped down an embankment twenty feet high and turned completely over.

The wildest excitement prevailed. The accident soon attracted a large crowd and the work of attending to the injured began.

It was found that one woman was fatally injured and a dozen children were badly hurt, some seriously.

The crowd was on a Sunday school excursion and was from Ballard.

OREGON LEADS IN LAND SALES

Washington, Aug. 21.—Oregon heads the list for land sales and entries by homeseekers of any state in the Union for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903. North Dakota was first last year and now stands second, but is led by Oregon by more than \$800,000. Oregon contributed to the treasury \$2,015,835 and North Dakota \$1,319,835.

Washington and Idaho also did a booming business in public lands during the year. Washington stands third with about \$1,000,000 to her credit.

Freinds of Oregon are very much gratified over the great progression and popularity the state is showing, and argue that within the next decade Oregon will probably exceed in population any of the mountain or Pacific Coast states.

New G. A. R. Officers.

San Francisco, Aug. 22.—The National Encampment, G. A. R., yesterday elected new officers as follows: Commander-in-Chief, General John C. Black, of Illinois; Senior Vice Commander, Colonel C. Mason Keene, of California; Junior Vice Commander, Col. Harry C. Kessler, of Missouri; Surgeon-in-Chief, George A. Harmon, of Ohio; Chaplain-in-Chief, Winfield Scott, of Arizona. The next annual meeting will be held in Boston.

STOP IMPROVEMENTS

The Guard has been informed, from a reliable source, that the railroad bridge to connect the main line at Henderson with the branch line at Springfield will not be built this fall. The S. P. Co. is still obtaining the right-of-way and this connection will be made as early next spring as the season will permit.

It will take at least three or four months to place this bridge in position and at this time of year it would be unsafe to attempt the construction of the bridge on account of high water.

The bridge could, of course, be made a suspension bridge and be swung on cables, but this is very expensive and not likely to be done.

YARD IMPROVEMENTS STOPPED.

It is also reported that the depot and yard improvements here will not be made till next spring. Contractor Taylor has received notification that the warehouse, moving and yard improvements in this city have been postponed. Mr. Taylor has been to a heavy expense in having large timbers hewed out and other preparatory work done for the moving, and he will commence suit against the S. P. Co. for damages. Mr. Taylor was under contract to move the Friendly and Smith warehouses. The order places a new phase on the entire matter. It is to be hoped that the differences can be settled outside of the courts.

THE SAGINAW SAWMILLS

As will be noted in another column in today's Guard, the Both-Kelly Lumber Company is advertising to sell one of their sawmills. The mill in question is the Saginaw mill No. 1, which was put out of commission some time ago by the company.

It is a small mill of about 35,000 feet capacity and having no further use for such a small concern the company deemed it best to sell, that is a greater part of it.

WILL NOT MOVE MILL NO. 2.

Mill No. 2, of Saginaw, which was to have been moved to a new location on Gittings Creek and the work preparatory to moving the same was well under way, will remain where it is at present. R. A. Booth was at Saginaw yesterday and ordered the work stopped. There is still considerable timber in the vicinity of the mill and it will be some time yet before it is moved to its new location.

SOME THRESHING STATISTICS

(Daily Guard, August 22.)

F. L. Armitage, of the firm of Armitage & Stevens, who operate a threshing outfit each harvest, today gave the Guard a few statistics regarding this year's grain crop in the vicinity of Eugene.

There was a better average this year than for the past seven years, but the acreage was not so great as in the previous years.

The highest yields of wheat was a little over 37 bushels to the acre off of a 15-acre field on A. C. Bonnett's farm. The highest yield of oats was 80 bushels to the acre off of 15 acres on C. W. Young's farm.

The general average for wheat was 23 bushels to the acre and for oats 30 bushels. Of course, many fields averaged much higher than this, but a few where the grain was very poor kept down the general average.

The threshing season for the Armitage & Stevens crew was the shortest this year than for several years on account of the decreased grain acreage.

The New Opera House.

Eugene's new play house is rapidly assuming shape so a good conception of the stage and seating arrangements of the house can be had.

The flooring has been laid on the stage and work of laying the floor in the entrance and in the auditorium is in progress. The supports for the gallery have been placed in position, the "risers" on the main floor are ready to receive the flooring, and the stage, which is very commodious will be in full view from every seat in the house.

Contractor Roney is rushing the work and will commence placing the roof on the building today if the weather man will be good. Eugene is to be congratulated on her new play house, and Contractor Roney has our thanks for the prompt manner in which he has rushed this work forward.

Building Breakwater.

Wm. Neir, the well known owner of extensive hop lands about Springfield, has had a force of men at work for some time constructing a breakwater along the shores of the Willamette river, to protect his land from the ravages of the waters which, every winter, has been carrying large slices off the fine soil of which his land is composed.

PLANNED TO KILL ALPHONSO

King of Spain Object of Anarchistic Hate.

Plan Frustrated by the Guardians of the Royal Palace.

Box of Dynamite Sent to Royal Chamber by a Well Known Anarchist Who Has Fled.

(Scripps News Association.)

Madrid, Aug. 24.—A dastardly attempt to assassinate King Alfonso XIII was made in the royal palace yesterday. A package was received in the palace by the royal guards known to be from the hands of a well known anarchist, which proved to be dynamite, meant to wreck the palace and destroy the lives of those within.

The package was examined and when the discovery was made the police went to arrest the culprit, but he had fled the country.

The King has been the object of anarchistic hatred and has been watchful and the guards have always been careful to see what packages were received in the royal apartments.

MORE CONVICTS ARE CAPTURED

(Scripps News Association.)

Reno, Nevada, Aug. 21.—Convict Woods, another of the escaped convicts from Folsom penitentiary, was captured this morning in a Reno barber shop while he was being quietly shaved. He made no resistance and no shots were fired.

Convict Joseph Murphy was captured last night by Deputies Sharkey and Maxwell while crossing the Truckee River into Reno on a bridge. Murphy was jailed and searched. He had a 45 calibre revolver and tried to get at it several times before being disarmed.

Convict Miller is close by, having left Murphy at the bridge. A posse is hot upon the trail.

ST. PETERSBURG TRIPLE TRAGEDY

(Scripps News Association.)

St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—Madame Ivanova and her two beautiful daughters were murdered last night in their mansion in this city. The murdered woman were prominent in social and official circles and the affair has created the utmost horror in this city. The bodies of the victims were hacked almost beyond recognition.

The police are mystified, yet they profess to believe the deed was done by jealous women. This theory is backed up by the discovery in one of the dead girl's hand of a bunch of woman's hair. The police are now diligently looking for the wounded woman.

Blame the Company.

(Scripps News Association.)

Portland, Or., Aug. 24.—There is nothing particularly new about the Elks' disaster. The cause of the wreck is now officially declared to be due to the company allowing the old engine to attempt the run with the train. The crown sheet broke, the water ran to the red hot firebox and the engine blew up, causing the wreck.

Married.

Fred E. Kahler and Miss Minnie Simmering, both of Springfield, were married Monday evening, at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Henry Cogill. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Gregory of the M. E. church, and was witnessed by only near relatives and friends.

A Divorce Case.

Ida Debow has sued her husband, Cornelius Debow, for divorce. Description is alleged by Mrs. Debow. L. Bilyeu is her attorney.

COTTAGE GROVE NOTES AND NEWS

(From the Leader and Nugget.)

The C. M. A. uniformed band will give a grand excursion to Red Bridge on Sunday, Aug. 23.

Attorney E. R. Skipworth, of Eugene, arrived in this city last Tuesday afternoon and went direct to the Oregon Mineral Springs with the view of benefiting his health.

Next Monday morning Messrs. Chrisman & Bangs, of the Fashion stables of this city, will start a stage from the Red Bridge up the Hard Scabble road to Bohemia. The stage will go up one day and return to the Red Bridge the next, making connections with the train on the O. & S. E.

W. D. Finnerty, a well known farmer of this vicinity, while assisting in hauling hay, fell from the wagon to the ground Wednesday and sustained a broken collar bone. He was otherwise slightly bruised and, owing to his age, he will no doubt be laid up for some time. At present he is resting comfortably.

This week Messrs. Wallace commenced the foundation work on the Jones and Phillips brick, corner of Main and Fourth streets. The foundation is laid in rock, four feet at the bottom, two and one-half feet at the top, 60x60 feet. The lower story wall will be 18 inches thick and the upper story 12 inches, brick. The lower story will be finished in four rooms. The corner will be finished and equipped for a bank, and while the bank company has not been organized as yet, it is understood that it will be by the time the building is ready for occupancy.

BIG WATERWORKS FOR SPRINGFIELD

Springfield News: One day last week, Mr. Booth, of the Booth-Kelly Kelly Company, was in Springfield, and among other things was ascertaining what the city charter contained regarding the establishment of a system of water works for this place.

TWO PLANS TO BE OFFERED.

We are able to state on good authority, that Springfield can have almost any proposition from the company it wants, and it is known that this immense corporation is willing to sell its reservoir to the city or will establish a system of water works and sell water privileges to the city, and are preparing to make the town a proposition in the near future along these lines.

SPECIAL ELECTION.

The proposition will no doubt be brought before a mass meeting of the citizens before a special election is called which is necessary before bonds are issued to carry the project through. This reservoir with nearly 800,000 gallons capacity, and at an elevation of about 174 feet above the level of Main street, will furnish an abundance of water sufficient for a population of 10,000 and has a pressure great enough for the best of fire protection.

MRS. MERCER WANTS DIVORCE

Mrs. Grace Mercer, who resides with her two sons at West Fourth and Charnelton streets, Eugene, has begun suit in the Lane county circuit court against her husband, John Henry Mercer, for divorce and the custody of her two minor children.

Mr. and Mrs. Mercer were married at Alpena, Samiac county, Mich., July 23, 1882. They have three children, Maggie, who is married, Frank Henry, aged 19, and John E., aged 10. Mrs. Mercer alleges as follows: That her husband has treated her in a cruel and inhuman manner for the past eight years. He has cursed and abused her and about eight years ago, while they were living in a hop house on Patterson Island, he knocked her down. Not less than a year ago, Mrs. Mercer alleges, he knocked her down again. She further alleges that Mercer has failed and neglected to provide for her.

L. M. Travis is the plaintiff's attorney. Mercer works in Royce & Peterson's excelsior factory.

Junction Items.

(From The Times.)

Dr. Kuykendall, of Eugene, made a professional visit here Monday.

C. F. Harburt returned from Newport Monday. His family will remain a short time longer.

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wright, August 13, 1903. Look out for a rise in the price of lumber.

A couple of flat cars were derailed in the yard here Monday. One was broken in two in the middle and piled up in a heap.

Miss Snell, of this city, has been selected as a teacher in the schools of this city in place of Miss Blume, who resigned. A revised list of teachers is as follows: E. E. Starr, Miss Crain, Miss Snell, Miss Pinkham, Miss Norton.

SHE WAS NOT TO BLAME

(Daily Guard, August 21.)

The story which the Portland papers have been using so much recently regarding Mrs. Elliott Parkhurst and her alleged elopement from her home with the ex-convict Riley, has been the source of considerable worry to ex-Warden J. T. Jaynes, father of Mrs. Parkhurst, who is a resident of Eugene.

Mr. Jaynes said yesterday when shown a clipping from the Portland Journal saying that Mrs. Parkhurst was at the home of her parents in Eugene:

NOT IN EUGENE.

"Mrs. Parkhurst is not in my home and has not been here at all since her trouble in Portland a week or two ago. The detectives are wrong when they say that she is here; they are mistaken. I have heard from Mrs. Parkhurst by letter. She is not with the ex-convict, as alleged by the Portland papers. She has not been with him since she has been able to escape after he compelled her to get into the buggy.

"It is my opinion that both Parkhurst and Riley were too drunk to know what they were doing when the latter struck Parkhurst. The whole miserable affair is a frost and Mrs. Parkhurst is so averse to publicity and notoriety that she has kept quiet. So have we all. It was the best thing to do, we thought, and until the matter straightens itself out it is best to keep the silence up."

THE ORIGINAL TROUBLE.

"The disappearance of Mrs. Parkhurst and Riley followed the discharge of the convict from the Salem prison. He came to Portland, where Mr. Parkhurst befriended him, inviting him to his house to lodge. On the way home, the night of the day when Riley was set free, he is said to have assaulted Parkhurst, beating him severely. Parkhurst ran away from his assailant and escaped. The last Parkhurst saw of his wife and Riley they were getting into a carriage. The driver said he took them to a lodging house, but that they did not remain there that night was proved by the landlord. Following this all clues were lost."

This places a new phase of the subject before the public. Instead of Mrs. Parkhurst eloping she was forced by the drunken ex-convict into the carriage and driven away. She is not with him now but is probably terrorized into keeping silent regarding the whereabouts of Riley.

ROSEBURG'S NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Architect Burggraf, of Albany Furnished Plans—Cost About \$16,000.

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 24.—The directors of the Roseburg public schools have decided to accept the plans submitted by C. H. Burggraf, of Albany, for the erection of the forthcoming new High School building in Waite's addition. The cost of the building, including plumbing and all necessary heating appliances, is guaranteed by Mr. Burggraf not to exceed \$16,000. This figure applies only to a wooden structure, but it is estimated that one of brick would not cost over \$3000 more. The building set forth in Mr. Burggraf's plans has outside dimensions of 90 by 100 feet and consists of two stories and a basement of either stone or brick. The interior of the building is subdivided into nine school rooms, two class rooms, and an assembly room together with the necessary cloak rooms.

The site on which the school will stand is a plot of high, well drained ground, about 200 yards south of the residence of the late Aaron Rose.

Deserved Promotion.

Horace McClure, a former Eugene boy, and a graduate of the U. O., has been promoted to editor-in-chief of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Mr. McClure was born and reared in Eugene and has a multitude of friends here who will learn of his success with much pleasure.

The Ellensburg, Wash., Capital says:

"The P.-I. changed editors some time ago, and it is now plainly apparent that there is a new man at work. Horace McClure, the young man who is now editor-in-chief of this great paper, is a young gentleman whose career has been a record of progress from the 'case' to his present high place, after graduating in each step leading up to this responsible position at the top. Energy, intelligently directed, combined with quick perception and a high sense of right and justice, have been the main factors in pushing this young man to the front. The P.-I. already shows the stamp of his genius, and he will put it where it should have been long ago—in the front ranks of coast journals, from the editorial standpoint."

Married.

G. P. Lane and Miss May Stirling were married at the home of C. E. Potter, Aug. 19, Rev. Chas. F. Woodward, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiating.