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BEND WORKMAN SLAIN

UNIDENTIFIED MAN KILLED NEAR WALKER

Man Is Struck By Train As It Rounds Curve; Death Is Instantaneous

Coat Label Bearing Name Of J. W. Finn Is Only Identification

An unidentified man, whose coat bore the label "J. W. Finn," was struck and instantly killed by a north bound train near Walker station at 10:45 o'clock this morning.

The accident occurred between Walker and Saguaw, on Southern Pacific train No. 11 rounded a small curve. The victim, believed to be a transient, was walking on the track and was struck from behind.

The victim appears to be from 30 to 35 years old, according to Mr. Branstetter. He was dark complexioned, with sandy hair and a heavy growth of whiskers. The coat bearing the label was bought in Sedalia, Mo., and the chief of police at that city was notified by telegraph today of the accident.

The accident took place on the right-of-way, there being no crossing for some distance. The coroner is holding the body until he receives a reply to his telegraphic inquiry to police at Sedalia, Mo.

Cross-Word Costs Newspaper One of Oldest Subscribers

SHOEN FALLS, S. D., Jan. 8.—The cross-word puzzle craze has cost a local daily newspaper one of its oldest subscribers.

A victim of the puzzle fad, he wrote from his home near Garretson, S. D., and declared:

"I have taken your paper for 21 years and hitherto have found no fault with it. When you began running cross-word puzzles they were very good and possible to work, but lately they have been harder and harder and now are almost impossible to solve. Having written you about this matter and received no satisfaction I am compelled to abandon your good newspaper and take another which prints puzzles which can be worked without staying up all night."

Directors of Fair To Name Officers

Election of officers for the coming year will be held at the meeting of the Lane county fair board which has been called for Tuesday, January 20, according to announcement today of Clinton Hurd, president.

The following four new members will elect officers and make preliminary plans for the coming year: Mr. Hurd states, "The following is the new board elected November 8:

S. S. Mogensen, Carl G. Washburne, R. F. Goodpasture, J. W. Maxwell, C. S. Calef, E. L. Lee, W. R. Robertson, M. H. Harlow, E. E. Ross, N. E. Glasson, W. L. Wheeler, and O. L. Dunlap. The first four are new members elected this year.

INVESTIGATION SECRET WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Under the leadership of Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, administration forces succeeded today in having the opening of the senate investigation of the prohibition enforcement unit behind closed doors.

First Bonus Certificates Go To Veterans



SOLDIERS' BONUS STAFF. The first package of soldiers' bonus certificates, involving payments totalling \$750,000,000, has been sent out from Washington by Major O. W. Clark, chief of the Adjusted Compensation Division of the Veterans' Bureau, and his staff.

Work of speeding the shipment of the certificates to the 600,000 World War veterans entitled to the bonus is being pushed.

RAILROAD CHIEFS FORM ANSWER TO KEPHART REPORT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Officials of the Southern Pacific, Northern Pacific, Union Pacific and Great Northern railroads are in conference here today to formulate an answer to the report of Examiner Kephart of the interstate commerce commission containing proposed plans for the extension of railroad facilities in central Oregon, according to Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern and conferee for that system.

New Normal Schools In Oregon Favored By Superintendents

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 8.—Establishment of two additional normal schools in Oregon, creation of teachers' training centers and expansion of the facilities at the state normal school at Monmouth were urged in a resolution adopted here by the county school superintendents of the state.

The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the conference and approved in full the plan proposed recently by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction. Under the resolution one of the proposed new normal schools would be established in eastern Oregon while the other would be in southern Oregon.

Charles Murkley, county superintendent of Coos county was elected president of the state organization of superintendents for the coming year.

Miss Pearl Hall of Lake county was elected secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Road Danger Spot Will Be Surveyed

In order to straighten the Coburg road at two points, one where the recent fatal accident caused the death by drowning of Charles Adler, Seattle salesman, a survey of the route will be made at once, according to P. M. Morse, county engineer. The road about a quarter mile beyond the Ferry street bridge will be re-surveyed and the slough on each side filled in to the level of the road. Guard rails will also be provided there to prevent any more accidents at times of high water. The sharp corner where the road turns toward Coburg will also be cut to make an easier turn there, the engineer states.

Nice Sticks Found; Are Of Dynamite

HURBANK, Cal., Jan. 8.—Three boys, aged 10, 12, 11, were quite pale, trembling today after a talk with chief of police. They had found a box of sticks, taken some to a movie theater where they beat them as drum sticks to the tune of the piano and later built a bonfire near the railroad tracks and warmed their hands, when a patrolman picked them up. The sticks were dynamite and the police chief told them vividly what might have happened.

MR. STECK ENTERS ELECTION PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—A contest of the election of Senator Smith W. Brookhart, republican, Iowa, was filed in the senate today on behalf of Dan F. Steck, his democratic opponent.

The petition was filed by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the democratic leader. It will go to the senate privileges and elections committee.

Action cannot be taken until the new congress convenes, since under the law each congress is the sole judge of the qualifications of its members. Luther A. Brewer, republican, also has given notice that he would contest Senator Brookhart's election.

Errors and irregularities in counting the ballots in each of the 39 counties of Iowa are charged by Steck.

Notice of another contest came to the senate when a declaration sent by Senator Byrnum, republican, New Mexico, to Senator-elect Samuel Bratton, democrat, was presented by President Cummins. It was ordered filed with the secretary.

Extent of Broccoli Damage Investigated

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 8.—At a meeting of the raw products committee of the Roseburg chamber of commerce, steps were taken to investigate and determine the amount of damage done to the broccoli crop by the recent extreme cold weather. The crop was badly hurt, according to all indications, and the chamber of commerce is taking up with agricultural experts the matter of starting crops that will take the place of broccoli and retrieve the losses which broccoli growers are certain to experience. An effort will probably be made to establish the lettuce industry on a commercial basis, as broccoli land is suitable for lettuce growing and experiments have shown that a crop can be produced at a most advantageous time for the market. Celery is also proposed as a crop to take the place of broccoli this season. The chamber of commerce will probably take steps to aid the growers in getting their crops in.

MANY DELEGATES ATTENDING STATE CHAMBER SESSION

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—The communities of the state were represented today at the annual meeting of the State chamber of commerce here. They were taking stock of Oregon and laying plans for another year of effort to realize to the fullest on development assets.

It was expected that 200 or more representatives from the 76 commercial bodies in the organization would be listed before the afternoon session got under way.

Mr. Dodson Talks

W. D. B. Dodson, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce, was the first speaker. He gave a general discussion of the Oregon development program, with particular regard to its future phases.

Secretary of State Sam A. Kozar on traffic regulations and automobile licenses; Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Electric company and the National Electric Light association, on industrial and hydro-electrical development of Oregon; C. M. Granger, United States district forester, on the forestry budget of Oregon and how it is expended, were other speakers.

Luncheon featured a roll call to which delegates from each community responded briefly.

Mr. Rorer Speaks State Treasurer Tom Kay, C. D. Rorer, president of the State Bankers association and R. C. Groeschel of the Klamath county chamber of commerce were scheduled as afternoon speakers. The afternoon session was to close with a report of the resolutions committee annual report of A. S. Dudley, manager of the state chamber and with election of directors.

The annual banquet will begin at 7 o'clock with Mayor Baker toastmaster, T. H. Martin, general manager of Rainier National Park company, and Irving E. Vining, president of the state chamber, will be speakers.

State Depository is Changed by Mr. Kay

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 8.—State Treasurer Kay announced today that he has changed the active depository of the state from the First National bank of Portland to the Ladd and Bush bank at Salem. Jefferson Myers, Kay's predecessor in office, when he was appointed treasurer last March by Governor Pierce, moved the active depository to Portland, the first time it ever had been outside of Salem. His reason was that Portland as the financial center of the state, should be the seat of the active depository.

UNIFORM LAWS FOR MOTORISTS WILL BE URGED

State Legislatures Are To Appoint Conference Committees, Is Plan

Washington, California And Oregon May Join Hands In Regulations

Appointment of conference committees of the legislatures of Oregon, Washington and California for the purpose of talking over the framing of a uniform and satisfactory headlight law for the three states and the possibility of other uniform motor regulations will be urged at the coming session of the Oregon legislature, perhaps by a resolution, according to the opinion expressed today by Senator J. S. Maglady.

Senator Maglady, as a member of the board of directors of the Oregon State Motor association, has been active in behalf of the legislation proposed by the organization.

Visits California

Mr. Maglady has just returned from California where he visited the state motor department and obtained data on the laws of that state pertaining to motor car regulation.

"One proposed law that will be taken up with the Oregon legislators is to provide for a certificate of ownership to prevent car theft. This law is in force in California and it has resulted in the cutting down of motor thefts about fifty per cent, it is estimated," Mr. Maglady said.

Show Evidence

"The law provides that each car owner when he applies for a license must show evidence of ownership. The certificate provided by the state must be signed when the car is transferred and when the license is transferred the certificate must be shown to prove legal transfer from the former owner," the senator states.

"That uniform motor laws for the three coast states owing to the big increase in interchange of traffic would be a great advantage is the opinion expressed by many legislators of the three states, Mr. Maglady said.

NEW CITY BOOKS BEING INSTALLED

The new bookkeeping system for the city of Eugene is being installed this week, representatives of J. F. Tourtelotte, certified public accountant of Portland, having started work this morning in the office of Judge George A. Gilmore, city recorder.

A. B. Hedges and J. A. Witter are the auditors installing the books. The system will extend also into the office of the city treasurer, where some changes are being made. Not all the new books have arrived, but enough are on hand to get the new system started.

Mrs. Grace Shiska, at one time city recorder, has been placed in charge of the new books, and is being instructed in their use. Miss Leah Kibby, who was to have been transferred to the city engineer's office, will remain in the recorder's office. Miss Nellie Elliott, formerly secretary in the office of the city school clerk and superintendent, has taken the position in the office of Harry Devereaux, city engineer. A substitute has not been named in the school office.

University's Law School Founder Dies in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—Richard H. Thornton, founder and first principal of the University of Oregon law school, died here last night. He was 79 years old.

Shoals Plan Is Approved By Senators

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The senate today voted to substitute the Underwood bill, providing private operation at Muscle Shoals, for the Norris government operation bill, but left the measure pending subject to amendment.

The vote was 48 to 37 and many of those who voted believed they were disposing of the problem so far as the senate was concerned. After a long parliamentary wrangle President Cummins ruled the action was merely on substitution for the "Norris" bill.

There was a general splitting of party lines, 30 republicans and 18 democrats voting for the Underwood measure and 16 republicans, 20 democrats and one farmer-labor voting against it.

The roll call follows: For the Underwood bill—Republicans: Ball, Bureau, Butler. (Continued on page five)

CASCADE'S TIMBER SALES RAISE 1924 RECORD FOR STATE

Lane county did its share in contributing to the heaviest timber sales recorded in history in the 147 national forests of the United States, according to Arthur Moses of the Cascade national forest office. Oregon stood sixth among the 24 states and territories containing national forest lands in the amount of timber cut during the calendar year, and one of this state's outstanding timber sales of the year was made in the Cascade forest.

Sale Is Large The unit sold in this forest embraces 15,700 acres with an average stand of 44,000 feet per acre, 90 per cent of which is Douglas fir. Under the management plans for this sale the timber will be cut at the rate of about 60,000,000 board feet per year.

"This increase in the national forest sales, particularly in the three Pacific coast states where the volume of current business is heaviest, is striking evidence of the continued and increasing westward movement of the lumber industry from the cut-over regions of the east," says Mr. Moses.

Stumpage Price Up The average stumpage price received in sales of timber, although governed from year to year by the accessibility and quality of the stumpage placed under contract, is gradually rising, the report shows.

An indication of this is that the average stumpage price in 1924 stands at \$2.70 per 1000 board feet, as compared with \$2.20 in 1920, and \$2.68 in 1925.

TODAY

—Money, Child Labor —What Is Democracy? —The Vegetable Fight

By ARTHUR BRISBANE (Copyright, 1925, by Star Company) You see money displaying its power in the fight to uphold child labor here in the United States. The state of Massachusetts disagreed itself by failing to ratify a constitutional amendment that would enable congress to protect children. You will see other states do the same.

Mr. Green, new head of the American Federation of Labor, urges support of the amendment. He will learn something about the power of money and what happens when it doesn't want a law.

What is the spirit of true democracy? Some of our statesmen have refused to wear dress coats and bow-ties. Others wouldn't wear a collar, hard or soft. One, in the old days, gained popularity by wearing no socks.

BODY FOUND IN CABIN; MURDER IS MYSTERIOUS

Alex Roucheck, 55, Found In His Cabin Amid Flames In Early Morning

Deep Gashes Inflicted On His Head And Face By Assailant

BEND, Ore., Jan. 8.—Alex Roucheck, 55, Russian mill worker, was found brutally murdered amid flames of his cabin here by city firemen at 4:30 o'clock this morning. Roucheck was struck down by an unknown assailant. Several deep gashes were inflicted on his head and face. Authorities believe robbery was the motive.

Identification cards show Roucheck entered Minnesota 10 years ago as an alien under the name of Alex Krowczyk. He received mail here under the names of Roucheck and Kram.

Money orders for \$100 have been sent Maryna Sidorovna Kram in Poland. Roucheck, according to Shevlin-Hixon mill officials where he worked, was married, and has a wife and three children living in Russia.

The dead man was found just inside the door of his cabin. Lying face downward, the back of his head crushed, in, cuts over the left eye and on the left side of the head, with right ear cut off, lead police to a theory of murder.

Firemen believe the man was assaulted as he entered his house, and the establishment then set on fire.

Three Lane Roads Ready For Trucks

Gravel will be spread on three county roads starting tomorrow and within the next few days these routes will be open again for trucking having been closed for nearly two weeks as the result of the county court order holding the load limit to 200 pounds per inch of tire width. The roads are the territorial road from Cheshire to the High Pass; the Alvador road, and the Ferguson road from Ferguson to the Long Tom bridge.

Kid McCoy Given One to Ten Years

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 8.—Kid McCoy, ex-prize fighter, convicted of manslaughter here last week in connection with the death last August of Mrs. Theresa W. Mora, was sentenced today to from one to ten years in San Quentin prison.

in public, as a plain democratic American woman should do. "Let us define our terms," said Voltaire. What is the definition of democracy? . . .

One scientist tells others that the potato vine is deadly to tobacco and tomato plants, to both of which the potato is related. The sap from the ordinary potato plant will kill the two other plants.

Combat and destruction extend, you see, from proud men at the top of creation all the way down to the abode of the potato bug.

Tobacco men rejoice, saying, "You have abused our tobacco, and now it's your highly moral potato that does the poisoning."

The interesting thing is the proof that in the vegetable world there are fights as bitter as in the world of . . . (Continued on page four)

Family in Dire Need— Old Man Hard Luck has moved in with one Eugene family, bringing one of the most pathetic cases of poverty encountered by the Salvation Army. Jesse Roe, adjutant, is hoping that this city's splendid record of charity did not end with Christmas, and that someone will read this article and answer the plea for help.

Students Rescue Car— A local trolley car jumped the track at Eleventh and Alder last night, and landed high and dry on the streetcar corner by the Kappa Sigma fraternity house. It is reported this morning by the Oregon Daily Emerald, official student newspaper. For a while traffic was blocked, until a group of the husky Kappa Sigs dashed out of the house and under the supervision of Bob Mauz, next year's football captain, lifted the wandering trolley back on the rails. One of the strong youths pushed the cow-catcher out of joint, it was reported, but when the trolley was connected the car rolled down the street, down the wrong track and in the wrong direction, but back on the rails.

Wearing Overalls— Wearing bluejean but inexpensive "blue jeans," cut in the latest college style, with wide cuffs at the bottoms and wide belt straps, sophomores at the University of Oregon blossomed out almost in full force today with their newly-donned distinctive class dress. A small lemon yellow and green U. of O. is stitched in the left front pocket. The second-year students adopted this dress to distinguish themselves from the freshmen. It is reported, as many of the frosh have taken to cutting down their green caps to the size of a silver dollar, and attaching the green dais to the top of their heads by a hairpin or small comb.

Club Meets Tonight— The College Crest Community club is holding its deferred monthly meeting tonight in place of last evening as previously announced. There will be a dinner served at 6 o'clock to be followed by election of officers and a program of entertainment.

Service to Be Held— Rev. W. E. Good, district elder of the Free Methodist church, of southern Oregon, is here and will conduct a quarterly meeting. He will begin the services in the Eugene-Springfield Free Methodist church of West Springfield tonight and continuing over the Sabbath. Rev. Good is held to be a capable speaker. Lillian Gray is pastor.

Team Goes South— The University high school basketball team left today on its invasion of southern Oregon. They will play Roseburg high school, tonight at Roseburg and Ashland high school in two games, one tomorrow night and one Saturday night. The following players were taken by Lloyd Webster, coach: Gordon Ridings, center; Gordon Stearns and DeVerl Hempey, forwards; Franklin Hall and Clemens Hays, guards; Charles Marlatt, spare.

Leaving for Minnesota— Dr. Iron R. Fox of this city is expected to leave Sunday for Rochester, Minnesota, where he will study for the next two months at the Mayo brothers' hospital there.

Returning From South— Dr. A. J. Atwater of this city who has been visiting in California for the past few weeks is expected to return here the latter part of the week.

Show Is Planned— Vezel Mulkey, the magician, and his assistants, will give a performance.

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