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NEARLY LOST HIS LIFE IN FIRE!

Old School Building Burned Last Night.

GEORGE CARLTON THE VICTIM

Booze Jamboree Nearly Caused Two Deaths—Lamp Accidentally Overturned.

George Carlton, a remittance man, who was sent by his relatives to the Orient from New York a few years ago on account of his dissolute habits and the high standing of his family in society, was fatally burned last night when the old school house on Main Street and owned by N. Wellman was burned to the ground.

Carlton's left ear and left arm were burned to a crisp, the left part of his face and eye are terribly burned and his hair and whiskers completely burned off, and there is very little hope of his recovery.

Last evening a few men were seen to enter the building and about nine o'clock Judge Henry Wirtz went over to get the remainder of his effects as he had moved out yesterday morning.

He heard Wellman, the owner of the building and Carlton engaging in a pretty lively conversation as if they were having the customary jamboree which Carlton is wont to have.

The two men were pretty well "loaded" and Wellman retired to his room and went to bed, according to Wellman's story this morning. Reba Hoffman, who lives with her parents across the street, had not retired for the evening and at eleven o'clock she heard a terrible racket as of some one beating on tin cans, but she paid little attention to the noise as she thought that it was the regular booze fest Carlton was in the habit of giving.

But in about fifteen minutes she heard the same noise repeated with shrieks of "fire! fire!" Pulling back the curtain she saw the old house partly enveloped in flames and Carlton staggering back and forth in the yard swinging his cane.

She notified her father, A. G. Hoffman, and he turned in the fire alarm immediately, then rushing to the scene of the burning. "Where is Wellman?" he shouted, and Carlton in his miserably condition pointed to the burning building shrieking in despair, "He is in there," but Mr. Hoffman stumbled onto Wellman on the south porch, asleep and apparently dead. He dragged him out of danger of the flames and rushed to Mayne Abbott's for assistance. In the meantime Carlton had been assisted to E. A. Hyde's residence across the street and placed on a couch. Doctors were summoned and dressed the wounds of Carlton. He is in a precarious condition and while he is resting easier than last evening it is very doubtful whether he will recover.

It is thought that Carlton went to bed with his two lights burning as he went to do and that he fell asleep tipping both lamps over. His table was on the left side and is supposed that he lay on his back for the left side is terribly charred.

Carlton, it is said, comes from one of the first families of New York. His brother is worth several millions of dollars and is a ship owner and importer. Carlton went to the Orient several years ago and was a tea drummer in Japan and China. He was employed in Calcutta, India, for some time and was offered the embassy to that place by President Grant.

Wellman sold the lot to Galloway the grocer, this morning for \$600. The building was built in 1862 and was used by the college for the Academy. It was sold in 1870 to the local district school.

Burns to Death on Cookstove.

Mrs. Mary Hogan, aged 76 years, who lived with her son, Patrick Hogan, between Cedar Mill and Portland on the Barnes road met a horrible death last Wednesday by being burned alive on a cookstove. She was alone in the house, about five o'clock in the afternoon, and was preparing the evening meal. From all indications she seems to have been standing at the front of the stove and suffered some attack that produced sudden dizziness. At all events, she fell forward, her head striking and dislodging one of the stove lids. The smoke thus permitted to escape must have suffocated her and rendered her unable to arise. Her body, face, hands and arms were literally burned to a crisp.

John McLeod, who was working

close by, saw smoke coming from the house and ran to investigate. He pulled the body from the stove but life was extinct. All the clothing was burned from the body.

Coroner E. C. Brown held an inquest and the jury found that Mrs. Hogan's death resulted from her falling upon the stove while suffering from vertigo.

Letter From J. Garrigus.

Valisee, Iowa, Sept. 17th, 1907. I am at this place waiting for a west bound train. It may be a surprise to some of your readers to know that I am among the cornfields of Iowa, but it is a fact and such a crop they haven't had for years but is a little late, but if this dry, warm weather continues one more week the corn will be out of danger. I attended the fair in Page county and saw hosts of old friends that I could not have seen otherwise. I also visited my old home in Indiana that I had not seen for forty-two years. Time had made many changes there and there was but very few old landmarks that I could recognize and fewer people as there was only three that I could call by name on sight, but I soon got acquainted and found nieces and nephews by the score. We had a reunion of the Garrigus family, where there was more than a hundred descendants of Jephtha Garrigus present, two of his sons, Samuel and myself, a sister of Grand Junction, Col. and L. C. of Portland, Ore., absent. Our father was born in 1776, and was the father of 20 children. If this does not find the waste basket I may write again. J. Garrigus.

Notice.

To the Patrons of the Public School: Parents may save themselves some annoyance and expense, if, before purchasing new books, they carefully examine their children's report cards.

New pupils not having promotion cards will be required to furnish evidence of their preparation before they are given a place in any grade. I should like to have these pupils or their parents call on me at any time, Saturday forenoon, at the public school.

All last year pupils who were promoted conditionally, will be expected to complete their examinations Monday afternoon of the opening day.

Very respectfully,
J. B. WILKERSON, Prin.

Address by Dr. Douglas.

At a special meeting of chapel held at the college last Friday morning, two interesting addresses were given on church work by Rev. T. G. Douglas, the State Superintendent of Home Missions of Iowa, and Dr. G. E. Sopher, trustee of Pomona college, California, and pastor of the Congregational church of that place.

Unlike many of the professors of the old school—not to exclude President Elliott of Harvard—Dr. Douglas does not abhor nor is he frightened by broken and bloody noses of the football arena, though he is silvery headed himself. Rather does he admire the hideous college yell and the strenuous sort of athletics, according to his talk.

He said he would like to tell the story of Albert Shaw, the brilliant editor of the Review of Reviews, who graduated from Grinnell; that he would like to tell the story of Joe Wallace, the grinder at Grinnell, who won the first Rhodes scholarship in Iowa. But he chose rather for his subject "How a Home Missionary, Joseph Ward, conquered a Commonwealth." Ward was a brilliant fellow; a man of wonderful possibilities as a professional man but he consecrated his life to the conquest of South Dakota then a land of wilderness.

Together he went with his wife to South Dakota and there founded Yankton College. By his influence schools were established and academies founded. Ward Academy bearing his name. Mrs. Ward was a woman of sacrifice and devotion and left her Rhode Island home to be a companion with her husband in the development and making of South Dakota.

Rev. Sopher said that there were two classes of people in the world, the lifters and the leaners, both in the religious and commercial world. We need more lifters; men who will put their whole soul into religious work instead of leaning that way. Men are needed not only in the ministry to preach the gospel but in all lines of activity, in the work shop, at the desk, and in every line of activity.

Henry Haney went to Beaverton today to look after one of his fine horses which took ill there a week ago. The horse is valued at \$350.

RECEIVED THE STUDENTS.

Pacific's First Reception Well Attended—Enjoyed by All.

Last Friday evening occurred the regular term reception to new students and friends of Pacific University. The chapel was a veritable beehive and the hum could be heard from eight o'clock till the hands neared the mid-hour. The bevy of girls that were at the reception was surprising and there were not enough boys by a score or so to go around.

The program was very entertaining and out of the usual order as the "hot coffee" march was dispensed with and a conversation scheme substituted instead. Slips of paper on which were written six subjects for conversation were passed around to both ladies and gentlemen. And it was definitely stated by Prin. Bates the interlocutor that each "date" a fellow made with a coed was not to last over three minutes so the entire six would take up eighteen minutes, but some of the fellows were not prone to give up in the three minutes and intend to extend the con at some other date. The topics for discussion were "The New Hall," "How we Spent Our Vacation," "Non-sense Rhymes," "Postal Cards," "My Favorite Diversion," and "As You Like It."

The pantomime of Lochinvar given by different students under the auspices of the Senior class was a laugh-provoker and as read by Miss Yancy, the new instructor, was capital.

Public School Outlook Good.

Professor Wilkerson of the Public School says that he believes there will be 400 or more students enroll the first week of school which begins next Monday, September 30th.

Last year there were more pupils enrolled than any year previous, and from Mr. Wilkerson's observation there will be many more this than last year.

Two new teachers will be members of the faculty, Miss Pearl Cook will teach the Fifth, and Miss Carolyn Brown the Sixth grades. Miss Brown takes Miss Sorenson's place as teacher of the Sixth and Miss Sorenson goes to the Second grade. Another teacher should be engaged, says the professor, to teach divisions of the Fourth and Fifth grades, for there are too many children in these grades for one teacher to handle properly. There is a furnished room which would do for this extra class.

A splendid manual trainer will come out from Portland to instruct classes in different lines of work which is undoubtedly a great feature added to the public school curriculum in this city.

Dwight Thomas Dead.

Word was received here announcing the death of Dwight H. Thomas at Carlton this morning after an illness of several weeks. His remains will be brought to this city tonight and the funeral will be conducted from the Congregational church tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock with interment in the Buxton cemetery on the hill.

Mr. Thomas has been working in the mill at Carlton and received an injury a few weeks ago from which resulted blood poison and death.

He resided in this city for several years and was principal of the public schools of this city for several years and was principal of the public school for some time and was also graduate of Pacific University receiving his bachelor's degree with the class of '92. He was a star football player and a brilliant athlete all around.

News Job Room Appreciated.

The News job room will print The Weekly Index, the Pacific University publication, this year. Notwithstanding the fact that our prices were higher than any other office in Washington County, the contract was awarded us from the standpoint of efficiency in printing. H. E. Witham, the business manager, who is in his junior year at Pacific University, is one of the bright and hustling students of the college and undoubtedly will make the Index a success from a financial standpoint. He was nominated by the Index board and elected by a recent meeting of the Student Body. The publication will be issued as usual on Tuesdays and the first issue is expected to appear next week.

Married.

Mrs. Lillian Paterson North was married to Dr. G. G. Crist of Portland, Tuesday, September 17th, at Oregon City, Judge Dimmick tying the nuptial knot.

Mrs. Crist has lived in this city for several years and has many friends here. Dr. Crist has quite a lucrative practice and The News extends congratulations.



(Matrix by courtesy Portland Journal.)

Miss Maud Hollinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hollinger, and a successful contestant in the Portland Journal educational contest, who won a scholarship in the conservatory of music at Pacific University, which was offered by that paper.

WASHINGTON CAPITALIST HERE.

Is Said Will Offer Stock in Big Corporation in that State.

S. A. Milton of Seattle, and president of the Teanaway-Roslyn Lumber & Coal Co., and W. C. Meechan of Tacoma were in this city Tuesday on business connected with their company. This company besides operating sawmills, shingle mills, stores, etc., own 2500 acres of standing timber and 1000 acres of coal land, the latter to be opened up immediately. This company have recently purchased a sawmill from Wm. and Geo. Russell of this city.

These gentlemen expect to be back in Forest Grove the first of next week and it is understood that a limited number of shares of this company's stock will be put on the market in order to develop their coal fields, in which event the people of this section will be given an opportunity to invest. The company stands high both in assets and ability of carrying on a big undertaking. The par value of the stock to be offered is \$5 per share, but it is understood that it will be sold at \$2 with a written guarantee that it will pay 8 per cent from the start.

Buys Big Farm.

One of the biggest sales of realty that has been made this summer was consummated last Saturday when C. R. Cox purchased the old Dan Baker place at Cedar Canyon west of Banks from W. P. Spaulding.

There are two hundred and forty acres of land to the place and it is one of the best dairy farms in the county. Mr. Cox had just sold a place in Kansas but has been living on the farm which he has just purchased for some months and knew just what he was buying. The place is peculiarly situated and one would not think for a minute in driving along the main highway that such a fine farm should lie at the foot of the hill.

Dan Baker, who lives on the Cornelius road, is the man that first settled there and made the place what it is. A few years ago he sold it to W. P. Spaulding. Mr. Cox purchased the place through the Oregon Land Co.

WATT DISTRICT.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Buxton and sons returned from the State Fair Sunday evening.

The woodsaw was at Rice's, Adams' and at the school house last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rogers were in Forest Grove Monday.

Miss Webster of Portland, is visiting Mrs. M. Bisbee.

Mr. Pechin of Dilley, has rented the Rhodofek place and is now moving his hay and grain and later will move his family and household goods.

Miss Freda Reuter of The Dalles, is on a visit at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. A. Reuter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bisbee accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hickstrom and baby, left Monday for an outing at the coast. They expect to be gone about ten days.

A family by the name of Brick are occupying the Frank Singer house.

We understand that two petitions are out to have the milk routes changed to their former time.

Archie Markee returned from near Eugene, last week, and has registered in the Academy after cutting out last year to work for the Southern Pacific as its agent near Eugene. He has stacked up enough money to last quite a while and says that he will go till he finishes his Academy work.

Additional Local News.

At a meeting of the football squad of the college Monday, Virgil Waterman of The Dalles, was elected to succeed Harry Humphreys as captain of this year's football team. Waterman was elected without a dissenting vote. For several years past he has played in the line of the varsity eleven and last year he played full back. He is a member of the Junior class and affiliates with the Alpha Zeta literary society. The loss of Humphreys will be keenly felt as he had the strongest boot on the squad last year and played one of the half positions. He will not attend school this year.

L. J. Corl & Son are busy at work tearing down their ex-bike shop preparatory to having a concrete brick put up on the same site. Excavation will begin as soon as the old house is razed. They have moved their repair shop to the Hyde building. The gentleman who handles the city's coin got off a pretty neat pun on a fellow the other day. "What are you going to do with your building, Corl, move it I suppose?" asked the resident. "No," said the treasurer, "I will raze it." "Raze it. Oh." And the fellow went out and took a peep at the shop returning with "well, it be pretty low alright."

Forest Grove was well represented at Salem—not in the stock and vegetable shows but in men. Eight or ten tents were pitched in the Capital city by Grove people and not a few stayed at hotels. The weather was delightful, the races and games capital and the displays good. Mort Hallett, who has been fond of the races ever since he was knee high to a grasshopper and who has attended twenty of the State Fairs in Oregon, says that the one which has just drawn to a close, had them all beaten by a city block.

"Sharkey" Billinger, who started out when he was in his swaddling clothes to see the country and who saw everything seaable when he lived in this city with his parents; has at last done the prodigious feat and returned to his father's home in Portland. Sharkey was in San Francisco during the earthquake. He has done some scrapping in the Southern California towns; thence going to Chicago and other eastern cities where he fell into the window dressing art and at last is back in Portland.

Professor Orr, head of the public speaking department of the college arrived from the East last Saturday evening. He will coach the debating teams and the orators again and should get some good orations from the bunch of orators that were handed in last spring and which he has given some time this summer. Pacific will debate Whitman again in this city and a debate may be taken on with Idaho.

H. E. Witham was elected to succeed D. I. Aller as business manager of the Index, the college weekly, at a meeting of the student-body Tuesday afternoon. Aller is employed by the First National Bank of this city. Mr. Witham is thoroughly fitted for his position as he has done considerable work at soliciting and spent last year with R. M. Dooly.

Miss Lucy Broad, a delegate from British Women's Temperance Association of London will give an illustrated lecture on "Our Work Under the Cross" in the Congregational church on Wednesday evening, Oct. 2. Miss Broad comes well recommended and will both please and instruct all who attend. Admission 15 cents, children 10 cents.

The Public Library and Rest Room has undergone a cleaning and overhauling recently. Clarence Hoyt, the furniture man, has given a fine paper rack to the library which should save much time and bother if one wishes to look up the recent numbers of The News or other papers taken by the library. The books have been arranged and the shelves painted.

The W. C. T. U. invite the ladies of the different Missionary societies and Ladies Aid societies to meet Miss Broad, the "Round the World Worker" in the Congregational church parlors on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 2:30. Miss Broad will tell at this time of "Women looking on, afar off."

F. M. Starrett has sold his beautiful residence on Depot street to Mrs. Reed of Portland. Mr. Starrett will go to Southern Oregon for the winter for Miss Lulu Starrett's health and we sincerely hope that he will return to the Grove in the Spring.

There will be a meeting of the teachers of the Forest Grove Public School for the purpose of talking over plans of organization, next Saturday, Sept. 28. Meeting called at 2 p. m. in the principal's room.

FOREST GROVE COLTS ARE THE CHAMPIONS

Won the Pennant at the State Fair Last Week.

BUT ARE DENIED THE CUP

Salem Club, which only Played in the Preliminaries Lay Claim to Coveted U. n.

The Forest Grove Colts' Baseball team is the champion team of the state fair. They played the series at Salem last week with Woodburn, Corvallis, Salem and they came home last Sunday with more celebration money in their jeans than any of the teams.

However, they were not awarded the pennant by Hon. T. B. Kay who looked after the management of the tournament. According to the agreement between Wirtz and Kay, preliminaries were to be played and then on Saturday was to be played the finals to decide the right to the pennant. If a team won one game it was entitled to play in the finals. The Colts were defeated in their game with Salem, but won a glorious victory on Thursday with Woodburn. This entitled them for the final with Corvallis on Saturday and they eased it into that bunch.

Thus it was up to Salem to play the Colts for they had only played in the preliminaries which gave them no claim whatsoever to the pennant, but only the right to enter the finals. Woodburn didn't win a game and couldn't enter the finals. So it was for Salem and the Colts to play for the pennant but they did not show up after the drubbing of Corvallis and they were probably wise in so doing for on a dry field the lads from this city would likely have bent them over the staves.

Instead of trying out for the pennant they kept under cover while Hon. T. B. Kay put up a spiel for them arguing that they had defeated the Colts in the first game and that entitled them to the pennant. But Manager Wirtz set on that proposition good and hard arguing rightly that according to the agreement the preliminaries were but to sift the good from the bad for a final tryout. The Colts won this tryout and claim the championship of the series and have filed a protest to that effect to recover it from them.

Woodburn was slated to play the Salem team Thursday but both teams exchanged players and such a scheme would not work. While the Colts were the only strictly straight team that played.

The first game was played between Salem and the Colts on a field of mud and stubble. Score 6 to 1 in favor of Salem. Up to the Sixth canto the score stood 1 to 0 in favor of our boys but after that the Colts by a few errors permitted Salem to cross the rubber six times.

Thursday's game was the star exhibition as everybody admitted. This was the chapter that the Colts won out over Woodburn by a score of 2 to 3 and Woodburn's run was made by an overthrow to first. The ball was lost and the man trotted clear around the paths.

On Saturday the finals came and the Colts drubbed the Corvallis team and should have played the Salem team to decide as to which aggregation was entitled to the pennant, but Salem refused to play alleging that she had the largest per cent. It is true that she had the largest per cent, but according to the agreement the pennant was not to be decided on percent, but by finals. The preliminaries were simply to see which teams were entitled to the finals. In accordance with this fact Manager Wirtz has registered a complaint. When Salem did not play in the finals she was not even entitled to second place.

Something Doing.

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