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MORE RAILROAD RUMORS.

A recent report that there were railroad rumors in the air concerning the construction of a line down the Rogue and over the divide to the Coos Bay country from Grants Pass calls the following from the Gold Beach Reporter:

"The report no doubt originated from the recent incorporation of the Oregon Logging Railroad, a \$100,000 incorporation which A. Merceen, of the Smith-Powers company, one of the incorporators, says will extend the present railroad further into the timber. It is well known that the company is extending its operations back into the timber toward Eckley, where it has large holdings, and also toward Rogue river. This extension west is what gave Port Orford hopes of securing the railroad down Sixes river, and has caused them to push the project of building a through wagon road up Sixes, which is now being surveyed and will doubtless be built within the next year, as there are several extensive mines, as well as ranches, up the river, which are at a disadvantage at present owing to lack of adequate transportation. Such a road would also help out business in Port Orford, making the whole Sixes river country tributary to that place.

WRECKAGE CAST UP ON BEACH POINTS TO DISASTER

Hoquiam, Wash., May 15.—The mystery of wreckage thrown upon the beach near here remained unsolved today. Several pieces of crated furniture, a trunk of clothing, and pieces of the rail of a ship have been found thus far.

ALBANY FARMER KILLED ON FIRST AUTO TRIP

Albany, Ore., May 15.—Clarence Koon, a farmer, is dead today as the result of his first attempt to drive an automobile. His neck was broken, his wife, son and daughter-in-law were severely injured when his car ran through the railing of a bridge

EUROPE'S TOURIST LOSS PERMANENT.

We all know what the temporary loss to Europe has been in tourist trade diverted on account of the war. A thousand and one evidences of it were given in the trans-Mississippi country last year.

Now Fred F. Harvey, caterer of celebrity to the traveling public, tells us that this loss to Europe is permanent.

He has just returned with vivid impressions from the western states, over which a flood of pleasure seekers spread in late months, and reports that the volume of traffic during the coming season may be as great or even greater.

With the eastern tourists shunted off from their customary trip to Europe, it has been a case of seeing is believing. They have obtained an appreciation of the scenic assets of our western country which no amount of topographical description or academic generalization could convey. Thousands of summer homes have been purchased or built in this section by Americans, chiefly residents of the east, Mr. Harvey says. Hundreds of ranches have been acquired by them as outing places. New resort centers are planned for their entertainment and preparations are made for looking more systematically than ever

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before after their comfort and convenience. No other continent has such a playground as our own. It has long been suspected that if the current of travel was ever directed towards its wonders it would never diminish. Persons now living may see the time when European tourists will come to scenic America in swarms as great as those in which American tourists up to 1915 have been going to scenic Europe.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

AUTO DRIVER THROWN INTO BARB WIRE FENCE

Santa Rosa, Cal., May 15.—His lower jaw almost ripped away, A. E. Briggs, of Healdsburg, was in a precarious condition in the hospital here today, following an automobile accident on the state highway near San Rafael.

With Conway Hill, Briggs was speeding to catch a train at San Rafael when he suddenly came upon a drove of horses in the road. His efforts to swerve the car and dodge the horses resulted in his being hurled from his seat headlong into a barbed wire fence. One of the jagged strands cut through his cheek, gashed his throat from ear to ear and became entangled in the muscles of his face and neck so he was left hanging on the fence until the wire was snapped. After the wire had been taken from his jaw 37 stitches were necessary to sew up his wounds.

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and dropped to the ground 24 feet below. Two small children escaped uninjured. The accident occurred two miles from Peoria, Oregon, at 10 a. m. Sunday.

Case ment smiled at that and wrote on a pad on which he was taking notes: "Rgey did so at their own request."

Smith asserted that the vast majority of the Irish captives treated Casement's overtures with contempt, whereupon they were punished and their rations reduced.

"A few, unfortunately," he said, "were seduced, including Daniel Bailey."

Premier Asquith has gone to Belfast on a tour of Ireland, studying the revolution at close range. Some newspapers said his visit was connected with a proposal either to disarm the Irish factions or incorporate them in an auxiliary to the British army. The Daily News said that the nationalists were ready to disarm if the Ulsterites did, but that the latter faction raised difficulties.

The German auxiliary sunk off Ireland when Casement landed carried 20,000 rifles, 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition, ten machine guns and many bombs for the rebels, Smith declared.

Smith read Bailey's statement corroborating the charge of Casement having seduced imprisoned Irish soldiers in Germany, and showing that the submarine in which Casement, Bailey and others went to Ireland was the U-19. Police Inspector Parker, the first witness, testified that Casement had not attempted to spare himself when arrested, but had insisted that Bailey was innocent.

John Robinson, an Irish prisoner exchanged from a German camp, testified that Casement offered 300 Irishmen in his camp \$50 each to desert.

Casement came to court from the Tower of London in a taxicab. He was heavily guarded. A crowd surged around the tribunal demanding admittance. Two women were in line at 1 a. m. By six a. m. the mob was also unmanageable. The police gave hot coffee to women standing in line.

Robinson testified that fifty Irishmen accepted Casement's overtures and enlisted in the German army.

John Cronin, an exchanged prisoner, swore that Germany promised to transport these deserters to America in the event of a German defeat.

It was observed that Casement's shoes were without laces. This is a precautionary measure to prevent him from committing suicide.

GERMANY IS BEATEN, SAYS JIM HILL'S SON-IN-LAW

Now York, May 15.—Germany is beaten and the end of the war is near, according to Samuel Hill, son-in-law of James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, today, upon his return from a record seven-day trip from Liverpool, London and Havre to the headquarters of King Albert of Belgium and the Dunkirk front.

"Germany can not struggle against the overwhelming financial strain and economic conditions," said Hill. "There will not be another winter campaign and peace will come as suddenly as the war broke out. The French are eating only sufficient food to sustain their health. King Albert is confident that Belgium will soon be restored."

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OBITUARY

Ruby Clementine Zimmerman Ruby Clementine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Zimmerman, died at the family home, 321 Burgess street, on Sunday, May 14, aged 4 years, 1 month and 13 days, the result of an attack of bronchial pneumonia. The funeral will be held at the residence Tuesday afternoon, with burial at the Granite Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Amanda J. Morrison

The death of Mrs. Amanda J. Morrison occurred Sunday night at the home of her son, Chas. Morrison, on L. street. Mrs. Morrison was 73 years 8 months and 23 days old at the time of her death, having been born in Jennings county, Ind., August 21, 1842. In 1857 she was married to M. A. Morrison, to which union there were born six sons and two daughters—two sons, R. D. Morrison of Oronoke, Kan., and Chas. Morrison of this city, and two daughters, Mrs. Leota J. Hume of Denver and Mrs. Maggie E. Snyder of Days Creek surviving her, Charles Morrison and Mrs. Snyder being at their mother's bedside when the end came. The deceased had been a resident of Oregon for 18 years and of Grants Pass for the past 16 years. The funeral will be held at the family residence, 622 L. street, on Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. J. H. Harmon conducting the service. The burial will be at the Granite Hill cemetery.

NEW VERSION OF SHOOTING OF VILLA

Field Headquarters American Expedition, near Namiquipa, Mex., May 4—(via Motor Truck to Columbus, N. M., May 15).—Pancho Villa was shot by the youthful brother of a girl he attempted to assault, according to the latest version of the wounding of the bandit. A former Villista officer told the story here today, asserting the details came from the girl's family and neighbors.

The boy was beaten to death by Villa's men at the bandit leader's command to "kill him." Villa had long maintained his respect for women. Many stories are told in Mexico of officers executed by the bandit because they attacked young girls.

Villa forfeited this redeeming virtue, however, while marching to attack Columbus, when he kidnaped the 12-year-old daughter of Juan Arrieta, foreman of a big ranch at Bachineva. The girl was carried away to San Geronimo and kept a prisoner for nearly a week. She was in a serious condition when Villa released her and again moved northward with his column. Her father, who killed Jose Gutierrez, has sworn to devote the remainder of his life to hunting Villa down.

Retreating from Columbus, Villa and his band arrived at Guerrero on the morning of March 28, according to the story told here. When his headquarters were settled, Villa rode through the city, appraising the women he saw. As he passed the home of Arrieta's family, he espied Carmita, 12 years old, standing near the door. Villa slid from his horse and grasped the girl around the waist, smothering her shrieks with kisses. The girl's brother, a youth of 18, rushed at the bandit. Villa released the girl, but too late; the boy shot from the hip, hitting Villa in the right leg, just above the ankle, and in the right thigh. Two more bullets whizzed harmlessly past the bandit's head. Then, as the girl fled to her mother, the youth threw the smoking weapon in Villa's face and fled.

Villa crumpled, but pulled himself together and mounted his horse. The boy ran into the arms of a Villista guard and was promptly brought back to the bandit chief.

"Kill him!" was Villa's command, and he rode away confident of his soldiers' ingenuity in devising a means of execution. Carmita's brother was stoned until he fell. Then the guard fell upon him and beat him to death with swords and gun butts. Before the eyes of his mother and sister whom he had saved, the lad was brutally slain, but the family was not molested further.

Villa, incapacitated by the wounds, left for the south, and was said to have been far away when the Carranzistas fought their battle next day. The narrator of the story did not know whether Villa died of his wounds.

Stirrups.

William the Conqueror introduced horseshoes into England. Stirrups were, however, unknown to the ancients, who had posts erected on their roads to enable horsemen to mount.

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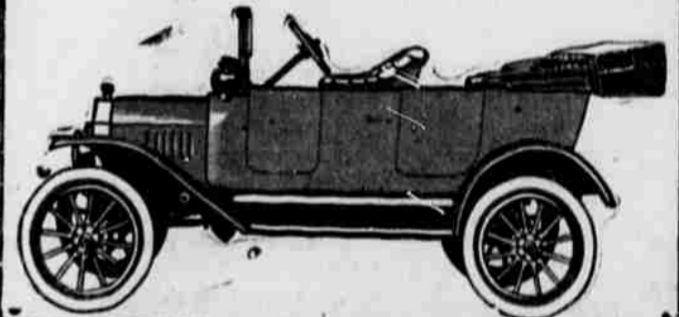
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