

## TWO DROWNED NEAR SOUTH BEND, WASH.

John W. Rannells of Albany and I. A. Lucas of California Sink To Watery Graves.

## LAUNCH STRUCK FISH-TRAP AND CAPSIZED IN HARBOR

Two Women and Two Children Are Saved by F. A. Lucas of Portland.

### Details of Sunday Drowning at Willapa Harbor, Wn.

#### Dead.

I. A. Lucas, 51, Lake County, Cal.  
J. W. Rannells, 52, Albany, Ore.

#### Rescued.

Mrs. F. A. Lucas, Portland.  
Mrs. H. C. Courter, Portland.  
Loleta Courter, 9, Portland.  
Kermit Courter, 7, Portland.

#### Hero.

F. A. Lucas, Portland.

South Bend, Wash., July 29.—I. A. Lucas, 51, who lives in Lake County, California, and J. W. Rannells, aged 52, 217 East Fourth street, Albany, Ore., were drowned and five others had miraculous escapes from death when a launch in which they were riding yesterday struck a submerged fish-trap piling in Bear river straits.

The rescue of two women and two small children by F. A. Lucas, brother of one of the drowned men and one of the owners of the townsite, was as heroic as it was sensational.

When the bow of the launch or dory struck the piling the latter was shoved through the boat and extended some distance above the gunwales. There the boat was held fast in the stream.

Rannells and I. A. Lucas were seated in the stern of the boat when it struck and both were precipitated into the water, in the widest part of the straits, two miles south of the town of Chetlow Harbor and away from any available help. The two men began to swim for a mud flat 250 feet away. When about 50 feet from the mud flats Rannells sank.

I. A. Lucas was a capital swimmer and reached the mud flats. His apparent intention was to hasten to the mill at Chetlow Harbor, some three miles away, by a circuitous route, and bring back a rowboat. After leaving the mud flats there was a slough, the high tide filling it to about ten feet at that time. Lucas was hurrying along, when he suddenly plunged over a precipitous bank of the slough and was drowned.

It is believed he was so exhausted that he could not help himself, clothed as he was in heavy clothing and logger's shoes. Both bodies were recovered at 4 o'clock this morning, the tide, however, having washed Lucas' body back into the main channel.

As soon as the launch struck, and F. A. Lucas, a brother, took in the situation, he stripped himself, except a white shirt. He swam to the mud flats and waded in mud knee deep to the shore, and then raced over the sharp stones for three miles barefooted and naked, scaling a bluff and climbing through slashings to the mill, where the rowboat was anchored.

It was then a pull of two miles back to where the launch was pinioned with its human freight. Steadily the tide kept rising and each minute brought the two women, Mrs. F. A. Lucas and her sister, Mrs. H. C. Courter, and her two children, Loleta, 9, and Kermit, 7, of Portland, nearer their doom.

As the water rose the women boosted the children a little higher up on the bow of the boat and later upon the nose of the launch. All the time they kept their composure, the little girl and boy praying that their uncle might return in time.

In the distance, two miles away, they saw Lucas land safely upon the wharf. The children waved to him, and he was encouraged. Faster and faster he rowed and faster and faster the tide kept rising until it had submerged the women and children to their necks, when, exhausted and bleeding from his terrible race over stones and through slashings, Lucas reached the imperiled women and children. They were safely taken off and returned to Chetlow Harbor.

Lucas' feet, legs and body are a mass of cuts and bruises. The water was dragged all night by men who came from Chetlow Harbor and other adjoining towns. Rannells had come north to take charge of some of the work at the new townsite.

The bodies of J. W. Rannells of this city and I. A. Lucas of California, who were drowned Sunday in Willapa Bay where the launch in which they were crossing the bay struck a fish-trap and capsized, were recovered early yesterday morning and were brought to Portland.

The funeral services of J. W. Rannells will be held in Portland this afternoon and will be conducted by the Rev. Henry H. Marsden of St. Peter's Episcopal church of this city. Rev. Marsden left for Portland this morn-

## FATHER LANE WILL VISIT EUROPE SOON

Rector of Albany Parrish Will Attend Eucharistic Congress At Vienna, Austria.

## WILL LEAVE ALBANY AUG. 6 FOR THREE MONTHS TRIP

During Absence of Father Lane Parrish Will Be In Charge of Father Gilligan.

The Rev. Father Arthur Lane, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church of this city and rector of the Albany parish, will leave this city on August 6th for Vienna, Austria, to attend the Eucharistic Congress to be held there from September 10th to 15th, inclusive. Father Lane will be the only prelate from Oregon to attend the congress, and will be the personal representative of Archbishop Alexander Christie of Portland.

Father Lane will go from this city to Montreal, Canada, where he will take the steamer to Liverpool. He will then cross England by rail to Dover, where he will cross the English Channel to France. After a short visit in Paris, he will proceed to Vienna by rail, stopping enroute for a visit in Switzerland.

After the close of the congress he expects to visit Rome for an audience with the Holy Father, and to visit scenes of interest in the history of the church. He also expects to visit Prague, the ancient capital of Bohemia, and other European cities. This is Father Lane's first visit to Europe and he expects to be gone about three months.

During his absence from Albany the local parish will be in charge of Father Michael Gilligan, assistant rector. Father Lane is a native son of Oregon, a grandson of General Joseph Lane, pioneer territorial governor of Oregon and one of the state's first United States senators.

## CONTRACT FOR NEW SCHOOL HOUSES GO TO SNELL

At a meeting of the local school board held last evening the contract for the erection of the new school building was awarded to Councilman R. D. Snell, the contract price for the building, not including the heating plant, being \$7,285.00. The heating plant will cost the school district \$943.00, making the total cost of the new building \$8,228.00. The heating contract was let to McPherson of Portland.

The new building will be erected about half way between the Santiam and the Salem road and south of Bob Burkhardt's residence. It will be a four room structure and will be so constructed that an addition can be easily made, or the entire building removed in case the board finds it necessary to erect a larger and more substantial building in that particular section of the city.

According to the contract signed last night, the work on the new building will be commenced at once and must be completed by the 15th of October.

It seemed to be the consensus of opinion among the members of the board that it will only be a matter of a short time before it will be necessary to erect a new school building in the southwestern section of the city.

Mrs. Francis Arnold and son of this city left this morning for Seio where they will visit for several days at the home of Mrs. Arnold's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gill.

ing to conduct the services.

The news of the tragic death of Mr. Rannells was a shock to his many friends in this city and many were loath to believe it, until the Portland papers arrived here this morning containing the terrible details of the drowning. Mr. Rannells had nearly reached safety by swimming to a mud-flat several hundred yards away and when he sank was only fifty feet away from the flats. It is presumed that his clothing became soaked with the water to such an extent that the additional weight pulled him under the surface and that with his remaining strength he was unable to help himself further.

Miss Frances Rannells, a 17-year-old daughter, who was at Newport when the telegram announcing the death of her father was received, returned to Albany last evening, and with her aunt, Mrs. E. P. Rannells of St. Louis, Missouri, and brother, Ted Rannells, age 21, left for Portland to attend the funeral services today.

The members of the family are prostrated with grief over the death of the father and brother, and his untimely death was a great shock to them, and to their many friends in this city, whose heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

The deceased left a wife and three children, Miss Frances, aged 17; Ted, aged 21; and Paul, aged 14. He also left several brothers, one of whom, Pudge E. P. Rannells of St. Louis, was spending the summer here in Albany.

## \$200,000 DAMAGES AWARDED COMPANY

Hammond Lumber Company Wins In Suit Brought to Condemn Power Site.

## JURY RETURNS A VERDICT AFTER BEING OUT TWO HOURS

Lumber Company Represented In Able Manner by Lawyers Weatherford & Weatherford

The jury in the case of the Willamette Power Company vs. Hammond Lumber Company which has been on trial at Salem for the past few days, returned a verdict yesterday afternoon after being out but two hours in favor of the Hammond Lumber Company for damages of \$200,000. The company had asked for \$250,000 damages. All other issues in the case aside from the value of the power site were eliminated by the pleadings. The Hammond Lumber Company were represented by the law firm of Weatherford & Weatherford of this city, through whose able efforts the verdict was secured.

The Willamette Power Company sought to have a number of power sites along the Santiam river which were being used by the lumber company for logging purposes, condemned, and the case involved the question of whether or not a logging stream could be used for power purposes, when the stream was not navigable except for floating logs to the mill.

## TRACKLAYING CREW MAKES NEW RECORD YESTERDAY

Machine Places Four Miles of Heavy Steel Rails in One Day of Nine Hours.

The crew of 120 men now engaged in laying the rails of the Oregon Electric between Albany and Eugene, yesterday made a new record for laying rails, when they laid four miles of steel in nine hours, with the Robert's track-laying machine.

The men are in charge of General Foreman J. P. Nelson and Foreman T. R. Shay and have been doing fast work on the Albany-Eugene link of the line.

The rails have now been laid to a point three and one-half miles this side of Harrisburg and barring accidents will reach that city on Thursday evening, thus completing the first 26 miles of the track between here and the city of Eugene. The grade has been completed to Eugene for some time and the tracklaying can be accomplished without interruption. There is one of the straightest stretches of track in the state between Albany and Harrisburg, 22 miles of this section being without a curve.

J. O. Johnson Jr., superintendent of construction on the Oregon Electric, stated to the Democrat this morning that the work was proceeding rapidly and satisfactorily on the Eugene link and that the rails would reach Harrisburg Thursday evening.

## WOMAN FALLS IN LOVE WITH MAN WHO RENTED HER FARM

The cause of Mrs. R. C. Wills' frequent visits to Shedd's has been determined by a few of her many Corvallis friends since her marriage, July 24, to Charles Leazer, of that place, a secret which has leaked out.

Mr. Leazer recently rented Mrs. Wills' farm near Shedd's, and during the frequent visits of that lady to oversee matters there, he made her acquaintance, and has finally won her heart and hand. Mrs. Leazer has a wide circle of friends in this city who will be surprised to learn of her recent marriage, but will wish her success in the new venture.

It is said that the affair has been kept very quiet and that not even the employees on the farm have yet become acquainted with the fact that Mr. Leazer is married.—Corvallis Times.

In his speech of advocate Governor Wilson will approve a tariff for revenue only and one term for presidents.

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## DR. LEININGER'S OFFICE ROBBED

Thief Fails to Appreciate Commercial Value of Platinum and Leaves It in Drawer.

## EIGHTEEN DOLLARS WORTH OF GOLD IS MISSING

No Other Property Is Taken by Thief—Entrance Made by Use of a Pass Key.

The failure of a thief to recognize the commercial value of platinum saved Dr. H. A. Leininger of this city the sum of ten dollars, when a burglar who had forced an entrance to the office of the Albany dentist refused to burden himself with a metal which he evidently regarded as of but little value.

The office of Dr. Leininger was burglarized either on the night of July 28th or early yesterday morning, an entrance being made by the aid of a pass key. The fact his office had been burglarized was not disclosed until yesterday when the doctor discovered that some \$18.00 worth of gold plate had been taken from the drawer of his work bench. As far as the doctor could ascertain no other property was taken.

Although the platinum was in plain sight and in the same drawer which contained the gold, the thief left it untouched.

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## RUFUS THOMPSON GETS BIG INCOME FROM BEES

That bee culture is an industry which might be profitably carried as a side line by the farmers of Linn county is indicated by the success Rufus Thompson of this city has attained during the past six years. Mr. Thompson has twenty-five colonies at his home in this city and forty at his farm two miles southeast of town. His average net income from the bees has been between \$250 and \$300 per annum.

## ALBANY AUTO TURNS OVER IN CORVALLIS LAST NIGHT

A couple of young men and women from Albany, while turning their carriage at Second and Adams streets last evening, were upset and the entire party spilled out in the street. Bystanders hurried to their assistance and the rig was soon righted without any serious damage being done. From the sundry and various drinkables which were scattered over the street when the carriage turned turtle, the party had evidently come from a wet town.—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

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