

TREED FOR HOURS BY RATTLESNAKES

Local Man Swears That His Story of Snakes is Not Imaginary—Dared Not Leave Auto to Crank Machine, Owing to Reptiles.

Walter McCallum had a rather thrilling experience the other evening on the Rogue river road near Bybee bridge. The shades of night were falling on the desert as Walter was homeward bound in his trusty auto, when the steering gear of the aforesaid trusty went out of commission without any previous notice. Walter got the machine stopped without mishap and got out to investigate the steering apparatus, when a chorus of rattlesnakes struck up a serenade that reminded him of Schubert's celebrated composition, because it was so different. They seemed to be all around the car.

Walter hastily climbed into the machine and pulled the fenders in after him, and for four mortal hours balanced himself on one toe on the uppermost part of the seat back until the serenaders retired from the road. For the benefit of inquiring friends, Walter states that he has not sampled any of that particular brand of booze which makes men see such things, and that for six years he has occupied a place on the water wagon that would make Joe Scott dizzy.

A LABOR SAVER FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

Through the courtesy of Cuthbert & Co. our attention has been called to their Caloric Fireless Cooker, which cooks practically everything for the table: meats, poultry, game, fish, bread, cakes, pie, vegetables, soups, cereals, in fact, nearly all foods can be cooked perfectly in this fireless cook stove and at much less expense than by any other method. Its particular features are labor saving, expense saving and deliciously cooked food.

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LOST—July 19, 1910. \$5 reward for the return of the bicycle taken from 203 S. Front street. No questions asked. 106

WANTED—Position as auto driver by easterner; 12 years' experience on road and shop work. Address G. Tribune. 105

HEAT SAID TO BE CAUSE OF WRECK

Oregon Express Wreck Due to Buckling of Rails, Caused by Expansion Due to Sun's Rays—No Blame is Attached.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 20.—That expansion of the rails, due to the heat of the sun, and the resultant buckling of the steel was the peculiar cause of the wreck of the Oregon express on the Southern Pacific at the Feather River bridge, near Marysville, on Monday, in which three railroad men lost their lives, is the official explanation of the accident as given out by the company today. No blame attaches to any employe of the road.

The evidence showed that the train was running at four miles an hour. The weather was unusually warm. During the entire morning the rays of the sun were storing up heat in the rails. The approach to the bridge, which is being newly ballasted and raised, is 3 per cent down grade. The rails had probably been "bunched" or crowded together, owing to expansion.

This "bunching" was aggravated when Engineer Condon's train came down the grade toward the bridge with the airbrakes holding the coaches in check. It is believed that the rails must have been kinked out of line by the heat just a few feet ahead of the locomotive.

The engine then climbed the guard rail on the bridge and plunged to the river bed below. Not a spike was drawn from the rails, and this is held as conclusive proof that the theory advanced by the company is correct.

NOTICE. I expect to leave Friday for a five weeks' vacation. Any persons wishing to see me please call or phone tomorrow. R. W. STEARNS, M. D. 105

WHEW! WAS IT WARM ENOUGH?

Seldom, Indeed, Has Medford Suffered More Severe Weather Than That of Tuesday—Slight Shower Relieves.

For several years past Medford has not suffered as intense heat as that of Tuesday evening. The heat did not diminish with sundown as usual, the air retaining a suffocating humidity. A slight shower early this morning relieved the heat somewhat.

The thermometer touched the 102 degree mark about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The heat was increased by the unusual humidity. At 9 o'clock Tuesday evening the thermometer registered 82 and at 6 this morning it stood at 72.

The sky began to cloud over during the early evening hours. At this time a heavy wind storm came up, but it brought no relief; instead, clouds of dust went scurrying about the city. Shortly after midnight the long looked for shower came and while it has brought little relief the dust has been settled.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held in the city of Medford, Or., on August 2, 1910, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the proposed charter amendments set forth in the foregoing resolution. Said election will be held at the time and place designated in said resolution. ROBT. W. TELFER, Recorder of City of Medford.

BAND CONCERT FOR DEPARTING CONVICT

PITTSBURG, July 20.—Led by Walter Dorman, sentenced for life in connection with the famous Biddie boys' case, the prison orchestra at the Western Pennsylvania penitentiary yesterday tendered God-speed for one of their number, who will be released today. "Home, Sweet Home" was the selection the leader started on the piano as the convicts filed out of the chapel, and it was for the benefit of the fellow player who for seven years had beat the bass drum.

A few straggling convicts who had not yet left the chapel caught the air and began to hum it, and smiled congratulations on the fortunate one, who had piloted his head in his arms, crossed on his drum, overcome by the little prison drama.

Warden John Francis, a "give-a-man-a-chance" type of an official, would not disclose the name of the prisoner, and as a result he will walk into the world again unheralded, that he might begin life over.

AMERICANS ARE COMING BACK FROM CANADA

WASHINGTON, July 20.—Emigration of homeseekers to Canada, which has been the subject of great concern to the administrators of the public domain, has turned, in the opinion of officials of the reclamation service. Thousands have returned and a great many more are expected back soon.

Clarence J. Blanchard, statistician of the reclamation service, who is in the field inspecting irrigation projects, reports he has interviewed many settlers in Montana, who had tried the Canadian experiment, but were glad to return home. They said practically every American farmer near Alberta, where the Canadian government maintains an irrigation project, was anxious to get back if he could sell his hogs in the Dominion.

The American settlers were dissatisfied with the character of the land, the crops from which they alleged consisted principally of alfalfa and such hardy grains as winter wheat and even these were not sure. The form of government did not appeal to them, and they considered railroad rates exorbitant. The climate was a source of dissatisfaction, ice and snow in August and September of last year adding to their discontent.

During the last nine months it was said at the reclamation office today 15,000 settlers have returned to the states from Canada.

GUNBOAT SENT TO PROTECT AMERICANS

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, July 20. The United States gunboat Tacoma has been ordered to Cape Gracias a Dios to protect American interests. It is reported here that anti-American demonstrations are taking place there and that the port officers have taken no steps to stop them. It is believed here that the Tacoma may be forced to land marines before the trouble at Cape Gracias can be ended.

FEW OFFICES FOR RENT FOUND

Many Applications for Rooms in New Buildings Are Filed—Demand Is Far Greater Than the Supply in the City.

In spite of the many new office buildings nearing completion in Medford, the demand for offices is heavier than the supply. All of the buildings just completed or nearing completion are filled. Many long term leases being taken.

Striking examples of the unprecedented demand for office rooms is shown by applications received by the Garnett-Corey company for offices in their handsome new building, and the applications pouring in on the Medford National bank for offices in the addition they are erecting back of the present bank building. No less than 20 persons have applied for the first floor.

The fall business in Medford promises to be exceptionally heavy and Medford's business men will be equipped to handle it.

M. W. A. Attention!

Our next business meeting will be held at Smith's hall Tuesday, July 26. Visiting neighbors welcome. Initiation. COMMITTEE.

MORE PAVING IS ORDERED BY COUNCIL

Many Ordinances Are Passed by the City Dads at Regular Meeting—Fruit Association Gets in Wrong.

As forecasted in Tuesday's issue of the Mail Tribune, the city council at its meeting Tuesday evening passed resolutions regarding the paving of four more streets in the city. They are: West Tenth, Oakdale to Central avenue; Laurel street, West Main to West Eleventh, and South Mistletoe, Main to West Tenth, and D street, Eighth to Twelfth. The petitions from the property owners specified asphalt as now being laid by the Clark-Henry Construction company.

A number of ordinances were passed. One assessed the cost of paving Genesee street, one the laying of an eight-inch water main on Jackson street, and others for sewers on Ivy street, Fourteenth street and King street.

The matter of the erection of an addition to the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association warehouse was referred to the building committee. The association had the building nearly erected before applying for permission and it may be that they will be forced to tear it down.

A plat of the Dodge addition to the city of Medford was presented and approved.

The matter of storm sewers was referred to the finance committee.

A discussion relative to the creation of a 5 per cent engineering fund was discussed, but no action was taken. It will come up again soon.

GAYNOR PUTS LID ON CAFES

All-Night Licenses Revoked in New York After Personal Investigation by Mayor—Ends Scandalous Things He Saw.

NEW YORK, July 20.—It developed today that Mayor Gaynor's revocation of all night licenses to certain restaurants and cafes on Broadway resulted from a personal investigation, which satisfied the mayor that the best interests of the city demanded that these places be closed after certain hours at night.

The mayor made a personal tour of the white light district. In one restaurant a woman approached him and spoke endearingly. In another place where the flowing bowl was being passed freely a party of "all nighters" invited him to join them. Instead of accepting, Gaynor replied that such places may be able to run despite his wishes, but that "such scandalous things could not continue with his sanction."

The mayor is investigating the claim of actors who complained that there should be places where they may eat and drink when the performances at the theaters are over.

SIMPLICITY IS COURTS MOTTO

No Frill on New Court of Customs Appeals—Hearings to Be Thorough, But Without Red Tape—Reforms Promised.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—Simplicity has been adopted as the motto of the newly established Court of Customs Appeals. The judges have determined that the consideration of cases shall be thorough, but that the proceedings shall be without frills and without delays that can be possibly avoided. It is the court of last resort in cases arising from the collection of tariff duties. In the past the disputers were thrashed out in circuit courts but all the cases pending there have been transferred to the customs court. All the new work of the new court will consist in considering appeals from the decision of the General Board of Appraisers, the members of which are appointed for life, and whose decisions on the tariff is the highest authority in the government outside of court.

The dockets of the Customs Court show the filing of 256 cases. There are now 150 awaiting trial, of which 80 were transferred from the circuit courts. These will be disposed of at a session to be held in July.

Under the law an appeal from a decision of the General Board must be taken within 60 days and the Customs Court must dispose of it within 60 days.

At a hearing before the court argument is usually limited to an hour on each side. The decisions of the court are plain and concise and convey to the contestants, without waste of words, a perfectly clear idea of "what's what" in the controversy.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The Rogue River Fish Co., formerly owned by Messier and Kenworthy, has changed hands and is now run under the same name by F. H. Phillips. If you want any lunch goods, call and see use. We have them for you. Orders promptly delivered. Call us up for nice poultry, hens, frites and broilers. Main 364.

SEATTLE ENVELOPED IN FOREST FIRE SMOKE

SEATTLE, Wash., July 20.—The odor of burning pitch and a lazy haze of smoke from burning forest fires hang over Seattle today. Conditions are worse today than they have been in years. Rain has not fallen since early June and the forests in many places are as dry as tinder.

Five hundred thousand feet of logs that had been cut and were ready for delivery have been wiped out by the flames near Toit, this county. The fire is eating its way into the valuable green timber owned by the O'Neil Company, Ltd.

Another bad fire is burning in green timber owned by the Taylor Logging company and by the Hewitt Lea Lumber company, on the east side of Lake Washington.

Hotel Arrivals.

The Nash—C. A. Sernby, Seattle; L. W. Reid, Grants Pass; Mr. and Mrs. A. Crosby, San Rafael; G. F. Roth and family, Rock Island; A. Unger, St. John, Or.; R. B. Dow, Jacksonville; A. H. Wilson and wife, Tacoma; A. C. Lebb, J. Beerman, Portland; K. S. Lapp, Yreka; L. O. Smith, Spokane; D. Lewis, Eagle Point; W. Von der Hellen, Eagle Point; W. R. Harper, Grants Pass; J. W. Lyon, Eugene; C. W. Norris, F. Anderson, C. W. Anderson, Seattle; H. Hall, Portland; C. A. Harvey, Seattle; W. Warren, W. Carroll, San Francisco; G. H. Fitzgibbon, Portland; F. C. Scoysmith, city; L. A. Brady, H. C. Beach, Brookville; C. A. Weiss, Newport; F. A. Bail, Belt Bluff; W. C. Bennett, Chicago; J. C. Ryan, Miss M. L. Hill, Miss C. Clark, Miss C. Parellis, Miss A. Parellis, San Francisco.

The Moore—Erle Hood, Portland; F. J. Leonard, Grants Pass; G. J. Moore, San Francisco; R. W. Rhott, city; R. H. Bradshaw, Brownsboro; S. A. Pexton and wife, Chicago; W. E. McLabin, Ashland; A. F. Motz, Coram; S. Butson, Hillsboro; S. S. Pentz, Butte Falls; C. E. Harsh and wife, Des Moines; R. F. Oakley, R. A. Flynn, Seattle; Mrs. E. F. Coddington, Minneapolis; L. Summerfield, Tacoma; A. J. Moser, W. E. McIntire, Portland; Laura Reames, Berkeley, Cal.; E. G. Turner, L. B. Alexander, Manila, P. I.; H. P. Houston, city; S. S. Pentz, Butte Falls; F. F. Kilmartin, San Francisco; R. Hume, Portland; Miss L. M. Gilman, Ashland; C. E. Digman, Portland; A. E. Mayers, Salem; A. H. Weber, W. C. Downs, Portland.

Haskins for Health.

GRAND JURY TO MEET MONDAY

Busy Week Ahead for Circuit Court—Condemnation Suit is to Be Heard on Monday—Divorce Case Follows.

The grand jury will reconvene in Jacksonville next Monday morning and undertake the disposal of eight cases which are to be brought before them. Eight prisoners are now confined in the county jail awaiting action by the jury.

Next week will be a busy one in the circuit court. The condemnation suit brought by the Pacific & Eastern against I. J. Phipps comes up for trial Monday and will be followed Tuesday by the celebrated divorce case of Clay vs. Clay. A number of other cases are to be considered.

ROOSEVELT'S EDITORIAL BARRED IN KANSAS

HUTCHINSON, Kan., July 20.—The latest issue of the Outlook magazine has been barred from sale in this city because of an editorial article written by Theodore Roosevelt. Recently an ordinance was passed by the city council prohibiting prize-fight pictures, newspapers containing stories of prize fights and magazines, books or pamphlets containing articles or references to pugilistic combats.

Because of the editorial comment in the Outlook on the Reno prize fight, the magazine, books or pamphlets containing articles or references to pugilistic combats.

Because of the editorial comment in the Outlook on the Reno prize-fight, the magazine came in conflict with the ordinance and the publication was barred from sale.

MEXICO TO CELEBRATE WITH GRAND OPERA

MEXICO CITY, Mex., July 20.—When Mexico's celebration of the centennial of her independence takes place in the fall, one of the features will be a series of 24 performances of grand opera, the casts to include many stars of international fame. The performances will be under the patronage of the federal government. Among those who will be heard will be Nordica, San Marco, Mnata, Scotti and Furnaria. Max Rabinoff of New York has been given \$50,000 by the government to remodel one of the large theaters for the performances.

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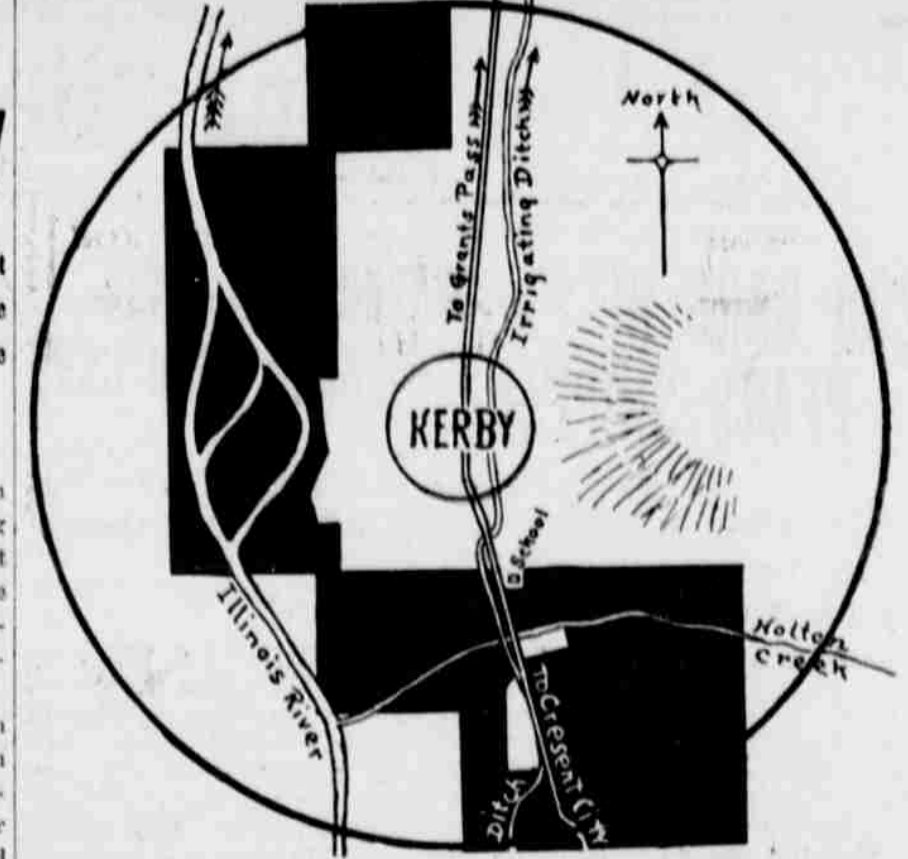
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