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STEAMBOAT DISASTER

Hundreds of Gay Picnickers Are Suddenly Made Victims of a Most Horrible Tragedy.

Every Day's papers bring fresh and, if possible, more horrifying news of the terrible disaster that occurred in New York when the General Slocum burned and sunk with her cargo of 1000 human beings, mostly women and children. The number of missing is gradually diminishing by survivors putting their appearance and searchers for the dead constantly bringing in their ghastly burdens. The wharves are lined with dead women and children, coroners busy placing numbers upon them as they are identified by relatives in their search for lost members of their families. Women, half burned, clinging to the lifeless form of a little babe, children clinging with death grips on each other, some who could not escape the seething flames of the burning ship who were burned beyond recognition, and others who leaped to the water with the hopes of saving their lives and the lives of their children, were dragged from the bottom of the river with grab hooks and placed upon the wharf for identification, while dozens of patrol boats were bringing in their loads of dead bodies, were scenes that must have almost taken away reason. Woman who searched among the lifeless forms for a missing child became so distracted with grief at the awful scene sought to end it all by plunging into the water themselves, but a careful watch by the police would prevent these tragedies adding to the already too appalling disaster. Deeds of bravery and heroism are recorded where men lost their own lives in vain efforts to save those of others. Deeds of cowardice and crime also have their shameful place on record. In one case where a woman had secured a life preserver and leaped into the water, only to find that the life saving qualities had long been extinct, was pulled into a boat, robbed of her rings and jewelry and shoved back into the water to drown, but finally was rescued to tell the awful story.

Little attention was given the sufferers by the crew, who worked fighting fire till the vessel was beached and then rushed to the shore to save their own lives.

Last reports there had been 500 dead bodies recovered, 274 children, 243 women and 23 men. There are now only 53 injured persons in the hospitals. A small babe was placed in a row of dead for identification, one of the nurses discovered that life was not extinct took care of the little one and warm milk and sleep brought it out all right. It is yet unidentified in a hospital.

One of the officers of the steamer in telling his story of the disaster said: "We all fought as long as we could stand the heat. Then the others and I tried to run to the upper deck, but the gangways were so crowded that we had no chance to go up at all. Then we tried to get life preservers for the women and children. I saw a woman give birth to a child and then jump overboard with the new-born babe. I could not get to her, the crowd was so great, and she had no help at all. The fire was all around her and the people were all crazy, and she picked up her baby in her arms, wrapped a piece of her clothing about it, and sick and frightened as she was, looked around for a way to escape. There was none, and it took her but a moment to realize this. Then

she climbed on the railing and leaped into the water."

Divers report that a mass of dead bodies are entangled in the timber underneath the wrecked steamer, and they cannot be recovered till it is raised. About 50 bodies were taken from one hole in the bottom of the river.

Secretary Cortelyou of the department of commerce has ordered a strict investigation of the cause of the disaster and upon whom rests the responsibility.

No more appalling and heart rending catastrophe has occurred since the Illinois theatre holocaust in Chicago.

Some Good Sprinters

From the number of race horses that are now here and those on the road, it appears that the race meet in Lakeview during Fourth of July week, will be the best ever held on the track. Good races are worth the while of horse lovers going a long way to see. Following are the names and owners of horses already on the track: Wooser, Lane & Smith; Bessie Shirley, Whorton & Green; Chewaucan, F. Green; Ronaldo, Lena A., Proctor Knot, G. Baber; Black Topsy, — Ely; Beaver Tom, Rita Sinfax, Alex Zeveryl, Kitty Condron, Robert R., — O'Kane.

SUNDAY'S BALL GAME

**Many Hard Hits—Some on Heads
Schlagel's Feet Went Track—
Bieber Champion Sprinter.**

Last Sunday afternoon someone sounded the old baseball tocsin which resulted in a general scrimmage by the old veterans to get on the field in time to take part in the sport. The Lakeview band kindly furnished some excellent selections and followed by citizens, marched to the race track grounds where, after a parley it was decided Col. Frank P. Light and Dr. R. E. L. Steiner should choose competing teams. The line-up was as follows:

Dr. R. E. Steiner	Col. F. P. Light, Capt
Eph Miller	Dr. E. H. Smith
J. L. Smith	Win Gowan
John Tucker	Wm Boyd
Wm. Steele	V. L. Snelling
Chas. A. Rehart	Warner Snider
Dick Wilcox	Jos. Lane
Gus Schlagel	A Bieber
Arthur Florence	Mike Hart
S. F. Ahlstrom	Frank B. Evans
John Bull	A. W. Manring

to set the pace for base runners; by actual count he ran from 2d to 3d base in one minute and twenty seconds and scored a tally because the ball was lost in the high grass. Col. Frank Light was caught sleeping off 3rd base and in running back was struck on the bald place on his head with the ball which rendered him *sensible* for a few moments but is again in his usual condition excepting a shanty-like protuberance where the ball struck him. Gus Schlagel loomed up in fine form. He has the making of a fine player if his feet would only track. S. F. Ahlstrom recognized an old friend on the bleachers who used to play in the California league, so Fred became suddenly sick and asked to substitute his friend which was allowed and he played circles all around 1st base. Col. Light's nine claimed that it was a put up job and that Dr. Steiner sent for a professional player, which was the cause of their defeat. Lack of space prevents mention of the other players. The score was 23 to 20 in favor of Dr. Steiner's side. The game was umpired by Fent Smith, (the biggest rogue of all ball players) until Manuel made a home run and Fent resigned to Albert Bannister. Time of game,—all afternoon.

ASHLAND NORMAL

**Holds Annual Meeting and Elects Same Faculty for Next Term
Twenty-one Graduates.**

At the annual meeting of the Board of Regents of the Southern Oregon State Normal School at Ashland, over which Governor Chamberlain presided, Hon. B. F. Mulkey was elected president and the entire faculty, except Homer I. Watts, of the chair of mathematics, for the past year was re-elected.

The Board of Regents, except one, were all present.

Hon. F. I. Dunbar, secretary of state, Salem; Hon. J. H. Ackerman, superintendent of public instruction, Salem; W. I. Vawter of Medford; H. C. Kinney of Grants Pass; F. H. Carter, R. P. Neil and J. S. Herndon of Ashland; J. O. Booth of Grants Pass; Alex. Martin, Jr., of Klamath Falls; Lee Beall of Lakeview.

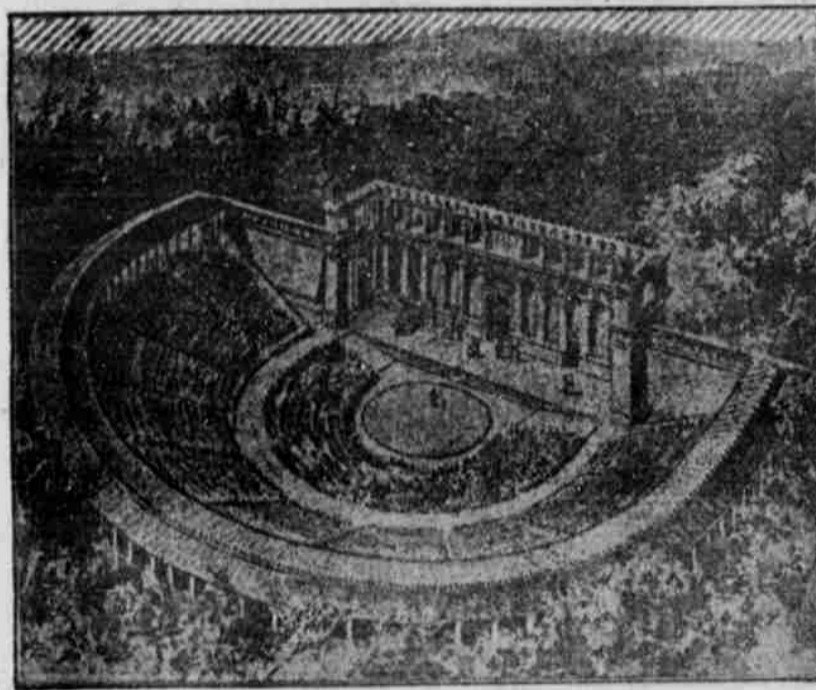
Governor Chamberlain presented diplomas to the following graduates: Robert S. Allen, Laura D. Allen, J. Dalton Daughman, Donna Bell, Elizabeth C. Gibson, Nellie E. Hare, N. Agnes Hare, Nan L. McCallen, Floy E. McNeill, Edwin J. McKillip, Nettie L. McIntire, Ethel J. Newell, Echo V. Nason, Olivia C. Pohland, Flora M. Pohland, Elsie C. Parks, Clyde Rhodes, Chalmers L. Strange, Della A. Stewart, R. G. Walker, Maude A. Zimmerman.

President B. F. Mulkey submitted his report of the work of the school for the past year which makes a splendid showing for the institution. The total enrollment for the year was 239 in the several departments, an increase of 15 per cent over the previous year and 300 per cent over the year before. The enrollment of the training school reached 95, and of the sub-normal department 35. The morale of the school the past year President Mulkey considers worthy of note. Athletics have been greatly improved the past year, as has also the training department. The library has been increased from 150 volumes at last report to 1300 at the present time, exclusive of government reports, etc. The students of the school the past year have come from most parts of the state. There have been 17 enrolled from the Willamette valley, 11 from Douglas county, while the greater number of course come from Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lake counties.

Measuring the Chewaucan River.

The government engineering corps that is to pass upon the water supply of the Chewaucan river and its availability for the reclamation of the arid lands of the valley arrived in town yesterday evening says the Post. The party is in charge of John H. Lewis of Portland. His field is Eastern Oregon with headquarters at Pendleton. His associates are Irvin Landes, Steve Hoyt and A. C. Verdin. He also expects to be joined here by engineer Copper of Corvallis.

Mr. Lewis has been doing work for the geological department in Klamath county. His presence here is due to the letter written by George Conn to Senator Mitchell. The Senator at once took the matter up with the department at Washington, and the investigation is now under way.



GREEK THEATER PRESENTED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BY W. R. HEARST.

One of the most novel structures in America is the Greek theater recently presented to the University of California by William Randolph Hearst. Built in the form of a semicircle, it has a diameter of 254 feet. The elevated oblong stage is 122 feet long and 28 feet wide, and the seating capacity is not far from 8,000. Like the famous Coliseum, it has no roof, and it stands in a natural hollow in the Berkeley hills. When the theater was dedicated recently the students of the university gave in Greek Aristophanes' comedy, "The Birds." The nearest approach to California's outdoor theater is to be found at Nimes, in the south of France, and at Oxford, England. The first has become scarcely more than a ruin, and the second is so vastly inferior in point of size and magnificence of execution as almost to preclude rational comparison.

Cemetery Fund.

Mrs. W. A. Sherlock and Mrs. Lizzie Chrisman were soliciting for the cemetery fund Saturday. A man will be employed by the committee to tend the cemetery during the summer months. The cemetery has been put in excellent condition by this committee and is now a beautiful spot. Our people should be proud of the work done there the past year.

The game consisted of a few bingles and bangles, but the game resulted in bringing out the fact that Lakeview has a few good ball players who were not known to understand the game. Mr. Gowan showed that he knew the game from start to finish. Chas. A. Rehart has not forgotten all he knew about the game and surprised his friends by his cleverness. Dick Wilcox and John Tucker clouted the pigskin all over the alfalfa, but it remained for A. Bieber

Will Pasture at Camas Prairie.

G. W. Mapes, the cattle man arrived here some days ago on a business trip. Mr. Mapes now has about 500 head of stock cattle on the road to Honey Lake valley. About 900 head of beef that Mr. Mapes bought in Harney county are expected to arrive in Camas prairie the 25th. The beef will be pastured there for a while before they are driven to the California market.