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DR. ALEX. BELL DIES IN HOME UNEXPECTEDLY

Inventor of Telephone Was One of Outstanding Fifties of Century

SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, Aug. 2.—Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, died early this morning at Beinn Breagh, his estate near Baddeck. Although failing in health for several months, he had not been confined to bed, and the end was unexpected. The funeral is expected to be in Washington.

Alexander Graham Bell lived to see experiments which he began with a dead man's ear less than 50 years ago result as a means of communication for millions of long distance telephone conversations daily in all parts of the world. The possibility of talking over a wire, ridiculed then as a dream by almost everybody except Bell, became during his lifetime a reality commonplace and marvellous.

The Bell basic patent, known in the records at Washington as No. 174,465 has been called the most valuable single patent ever issued in the history of invention. There are today 12,000,000 telephone instruments through which billions of telephone conversations are carried on each year.

Means of communication had been a hobby in the Bell family long before the inventor of the telephone was born. Two generations back, Alexander Bell, became noted for inventing a system for overcoming stammering speech, while his son, Alexander Melville Bell, father of the inventor of the telephone, perfected a system of audible speech.

With this heritage, the son, born in Edinburg Scotland, in 1847, undertook similar experiments while still a lad. He constructed an artificial skull of gutta-percha and Indian rubber that would produce several words in word tone, when blown into by a hand bellows.

At the age of 16 he became like his father, a teacher of education, and an instructor of deaf mutes.

Bell reached a crisis in his life at the age of 22, when he was threatened with tuberculosis. The white plague caused the death of his two brothers and the Bell family migrated to Bradford, Canada.

A meeting at that time with Sir Charles Wheatstone, the English inventor of the telegraph, fired the young educationist with ambition to invent a musical or multiple telegraph, which eventually turned out to be a telephone.

His father while giving a lecture in Boston, proudly mentioned the son's success in teaching London deaf mutes. This led the Boston board of education to offer the young Bell \$5000 to introduce his system in the newly opened school for deaf mutes. He was then 24 years old, and instantly became the educational sensation of the day.

He was appointed a professor in Boston university, and opened his instantly successful "school of vocal physiology."

But teaching interfered with his inventing, and he soon gave up all but two pupils. One of these was Mable Hubbard, of a wealthy family. She had lost her hearing while a baby. It was she who later became Bell's wife.

Bell spent the following three years in night work in a collar in Salem, Mass. His money needs were met by Gardner G. Hubbard, his future father-in-law, and Thomas Sanders, the owner of the electric. As he worked he began to see the possibility of conveying speech over an electrically charged wire—the telephone. He used a dead man's ear for a transmitter.

"If I can make a dead mute talk," Bell had declared, "I can make iron talk."

His first success came while testing his instruments in his new quarters in Boston. Thomas A. Watson, Bell's assistant, had struck a clock spring at one end of the wire, and

Evening Clothes on the Border



Full dress, so to speak, is worn frequently on informal occasions along the Mexican border since Mr. Vostrod's act began to influence social manners. If you'll look at the fellow officer T. D. Brown of Brownsville, Texas, is searching you'll know what we mean.

OREGON AWAKENING TO VALUE OF HER BEAUTIFUL SCENERY

Necessity for Preservation Seen; Writer Lays Decision to get Rid of Billboards

By Viola Price Franklin
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"When Governor O'Leary some time ago, urged the appointment of a commission on scenic preservation in the counties with a central board of state officials, lovers of the beautiful rejoiced over the progress in this recognition of the value of beauty as an asset. Many are wondering why the results have not been more in evidence. With all her beautiful scenery, which even tourists from California admit exceeds in respect to mountains and rivers, that of their own state, Oregon should realize fully what an asset this beautiful scenery is to her.

Oregonians are awakening to realization of these facts, and very noticeable is the achievement of the highway commission, that deserves praise for what it has accomplished in making the state renowned for its beautiful highways. They know that "to plant a mountain road with neatly shaped avenue elms is very like putting a silk hat on an Indian clothed otherwise in blankets, or to plant a pine forest in rows like a prune orchard," are truly absurdities in landscape art.

More Good One
The recent decision of the commission in regard to getting rid of the disfiguring billboard, cheered the lovers of the beautiful; and now let every public spirited organization give its enthusiastic support in drying from our beautiful and dignified highways those unsightly advertisements that detract so much from the natural beauty of the landscape. Let us appeal to the State federation of women's clubs, Women's Professional clubs, D. A. R., lodge and grange organizations, and chambers of commerce to back up this crusade until Oregon can take her place with other states, so widely known for their appreciation of the beautiful.

Professor Peck of O. A. C., who has done so much for Oregon in planning her city parks, is greatly interested in our highways. He advises that all organizations wait a while because "it is vitally necessary to consider our Oregon highways as a unit and some broad general policy of planting must be decided upon if we are going to have a harmonious roadside planting in the state. I do not mean a monotonous one kind of planting, but general board class of the same kind of things." He further advises that there be appointed "a landscape architect with good training, to advise various people as to the proper kind of planting."

Fame Is World-Wide
Already has Portland shown what can be done by encouraging the love of beauty. Her Rose festival has become world-wide in its influence and even rivals those of the Land of Flowers, California. Salem has made her contribution in the rose parking

SUN'S FORCES ARE FORCED TO RETREAT BY ARMY OF CHEN

Republicans Drive Enemy to Point 40 Miles beyond Chi Hing; Constitution Proposed

CANTON, Aug. 2.—Chen Chung Ming's forces, who are favorable to Peking republic, defeated Sun Yat Sen's troops and have driven them from Shiehchow, 130 miles north of Canton, to a point beyond Chi Hing, over 40 miles northwest of Shiehchow, according to a bulletin from Chen's Canton headquarters.

PEKING, Aug. 2.—Parliament and President Li Yuan Hung are agreed over the adoption of a permanent constitution for China similar to that of the United States; it was announced today. The right of each province to maintain its own assembly is to be recognized. This is expected to satisfy the northern province's demand for provincial autonomy.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE DATE CHANGED TO OCTOBER

The teachers' institute, scheduled for the first week in September, will be held October 2, 3 and 4, it was announced today by Twyla Ferguson, county school superintendent.

RAIL MEN VOTE TO ACCEPT PROPOSALS OF PRES. HARDING

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—Chiefs of the striking rail employees today voted to accept President's Harding proposal for ending the railroad strike and appointed a committee to draft the text of acceptance and forward it to President Harding. This action was the only outstanding event in the rail strike situation today. The president said he was not contemplating further action and that there was no indication of when or where the next peace move might arise.

ALBERT SHERWOOD HELD ON CHARGE OF DAMAGING MACHINE

Barnes Valley Rancher Accused by Neighbor of Smashing Moving Machines Is Bound Over

Albert Sherwood, of Barnes valley in this county, following the taking of testimony at the preliminary hearing before Justice Gahagan yesterday, was bound over to the grand jury to await action on a charge of "wanton destruction of property."

William Devaul, also of Barnes valley, and the complaining witness in the case, stated in his testimony that his two mowing machines, which had been left in the field on Thursday evening, July 20, following the day's work, were discovered on Friday morning in a damaged condition. From an imprint of a sledge hammer in the mud underneath a broken part of one of the machines, Devaul said, he believed the machines had been broken by a hammer which was taken from the home of Sherwood at the time of his arrest; and testimony was given at some length regarding the fitting of this hammer into the imprint in the mud beneath the machine, which was said by the witnesses to be a perfect fit; and also as to scratches or cuts on the hammer, said by the witnesses to have evidently been caused by striking against the metal of the machinery.

Sherwood was released on a bond of \$1000, which acted as a continuing bond for his appearance before the grand jury.

NEW AUTO PARK ON CONGER AVE. CHAMBER PLAN

Option Taken on Drake Estate Tract; Location Held Admirable

Decision to purchase for a tourist park the one and one-half acre tract on Conger avenue, known as the Drake estate, was announced today by the chamber of commerce board of directors. An option has been given by the owner, G. A. Krause, and the chamber will undertake to raise funds for a first payment in the supplementary campaign beginning Tuesday morning. The price named is \$7,500.

The necessity for a change from the present tourist park was becoming more and more apparent, it was pointed out. In the chamber of commerce tourist bureau complaints by tourists have become a matter of almost common occurrence, and it was felt that steps should at once be taken to remedy the situation. The Drake tract was chosen after a survey of the city during which several tracts were considered.

The Drake tract is said to lend itself admirably to the purposes of a tourist park. An abundance of shade trees, fountains and convenient location are cited as assets of the location. On the other hand, the present park is barren of trees and temporary sheds were erected to shelter campers. Over \$4,000 was spent by Drake, the former owner, in improving the property preparatory to building, it was said. The building, however, was not erected and a park was the result.

The tract will accommodate 75 to 100 cars, it was estimated. A keeper will be on hand at all times to direct tourists and to maintain the grounds.

It is the plan of the chamber to have the city vote a special levy at the fall election to complete purchase of the property.

VANDALS DESTROY FLOWERS ON WHITLOCK PROPERTY

Now comes the complaint that vandals, or careless people, are ruining choice flowers on the Whitlock property at Sixth and Pine. Choice dahlias have been ruthlessly crushed as well as picked. It was hinted today that culprits will be severely dealt with if caught. The significance of this hint is seen in the statement that the undertaking business is undergoing a slack period.

Amazing Triangle



Miss Martha Egan, 25 (above), was shot dead in a Brooklyn apartment. Mrs. Minnie Reider, 42, her sister, told police she had killed the girl because the latter had stolen the necklace of her husband, "John the Barber" Reider, prize fight promoter.

'RAIL WALKOUT' HITS KLAMATH; WORKERS QUIT

Half of Strahorn Crew Lay Down Tools; Demand Pay; Two Men Remain

The railroad strike has spread to Klamath! With half its force out, the Strahorn road today is crippled and construction is almost at a standstill.

The strike came when half of the workers dropped their tools in protest against alleged long delay of pay-day, declaring, "No money no work."

The strikers consisted of two men.

One of the men had been working 21 months at \$4 a day, he declared but \$4 was not forthcoming until yesterday when he decided to stand for his rights and demand his money. He got it.

The other worker had \$800 coming, he said. And he got his.

Dago Sam and the Chinese cook remained loyal and will continue to push construction until Sprague river is reached and a great, new territory is made tributary to Klamath Falls. Whether their apparent loyalty developed when it became known that the first half of the crew got all the money, is not known. Nevertheless they are on the job.

"De men she come some-a-day or I take de railroad," Dago Sam might have said.

"Me works all-ames like hellen and no catchin' play day all same boys' who quit, but me catches play day first non-stay," the Chinese cook might have declared.

Meantime construction is proceeding at a great rate with every prospect that by the time the road reaches Sprague river, airplanes will be the popular mode of conveyance and the railroad will be obsolete.

Traffic on the road has not been impaired by construction work. Engine No. 1, a coach, several flats and a box car or two clank merrily back and forth bringing the riches of the upper country into Klamath. Incidentally, the equipment belongs to the city.

Old No. 2, the property of the Strahorn road, also runs—sometimes. Old No. 2 is not the girl she used to be and cannot be expected to haul as long trains as No. 1.

And material is coming! A whole carload of it, reports say. Rails! Rails enough to keep Dago Sam busy for almost a week if he is feeling good.

Board-d-d-d for Sprague river 'n way plants. Garag, song; Garag, song; Garag song. Chu-chu CHU-CHUCHU!

16 HURT IN WRECK

Broken Rail Causes O. W. R. & N. Train to Leave Track, La Grande

LA GRANDE, Aug. 2.—Sixteen were injured, one possibly fatally, in the wreck of train number four, Oregon Washington Railroad & Navigation, 41 miles east of La Grande early today. Mike Molaman, Mexican, sustained a fractured skull. His condition is critical. The wreck was caused by a broken rail near North Fork. The train was derailed. R. L. Tate, Pendleton brakeman, suffered injuries of the head and hand.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Quite a sharp drop in barometric pressure, was recorded by the Cyclo-stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy shortly after noon today, and at 2 P. M. the tendency was still downward. Conditions are favorable for a thunderstorm. Forecast for next 24 hours: Part and warm with brisk westerly gale.

The Times recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:

THE WISE BIRD KNOWS WHEN IT'S A GOOD TIME TO LEAVE



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OLCOTT GAINS 2 VOTES
SALEM, Aug. 2.—Olcott gained two more votes in the recount in the first Salem precinct rechecked today. Two other precincts gave no change. Attorneys petitioned the court to move to Portland tomorrow to recount the Multnomah ballots.