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## THE SIXTH STREET FRANCHISE

The chamber of commerce should pursue a policy of "hands off" in the matter of the Sixth street franchise for the Strahorn railroad. The Herald realizes that the chamber is in a delicate situation. Among its membership are to be found strong advocates for both sides of the railroad question, and while we are sure over ninety per cent of the membership favors the Oregon Trunk and are unalterably opposed to every effort to block its entrance to the city, we have no desire to try and force the question into the organization.

We are sure no attempt will be made to align the chamber of commerce one way or the other, unless the friends of the Southern Pacific start the ball a-rolling. The first move in this direction was made yesterday when the directors were asked to join in the plan that has been under way for sometime to force through the council a resolution granting the O. C. & E. the right to cross Sixth street, without including in the permit the common-user condition. If the suggestion is accepted and the chamber of commerce join hands with the Southern Pacific, then the friends of the Oregon Trunk are going to carry the whole question before the membership. If the results are disastrous to the organization, the blame will not rest on the doorsteps of the advocates of the Oregon Trunk.

## AT IT AGAIN

Those who thought that the Sixth street franchise was dead had a rude awakening yesterday when it was announced that a representative of the Southern Pacific appeared before the directors of the chamber of commerce and asked the help of that organization in securing from the city council a franchise for the O. C. & E. It never was dead. It has been the one thought uppermost in the minds of the representatives of the Southern Pacific, and the reason it was brought forth now was the fear that if something is not done immediately the people of the second ward will force a special election and send to the council a representative who will be opposed to such a grant. As matters now stand, it is the claim of the Southern Pacific that such a franchise can be passed over the mayor's veto by three of the four votes of the membership.

The city is almost unanimously opposed to the granting of the right to cross Sixth street without incorporating therein the common user condition. If the council undertakes to jam such a resolution through, it will mean the immediate recall of every member who votes for it and if the advocates of such a move wish to precipitate the city into a bitter recall election, no surer way can be found than to have the council pass such a franchise. Klamath Falls is not going to be bottled up by the Southern Pacific.

## MOTHER AND DAUGHTER

After visiting here for several weeks will leave tomorrow Mrs. Minnie Smith and daughter, Miss May L. Smith, will leave tomorrow after visiting here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith for several weeks. Mrs. Smith will return to her home in Denver, Colo., and Miss Smith will sail from San Francisco on the 27th for Balboa Heights, Canal Zone, Panama. Miss Smith is a most capable woman, having been principal of schools at Balboa Heights for the past twelve years, and will resume her work as head of the schools this fall.

## THE WEATHER

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy shows a slightly downward trend this afternoon and higher temperatures will probably prevail tomorrow.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Fair and warmer. The Tyros recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows: High—78 Low—57

## U. S. Weather Report

Weather: Oregon, fair and mild tonight and Thursday, except cloudy or foggy along the coast. Light northerly winds.

## BUSINESS WOMEN ENTERTAIN

At a meeting of the committee in charge of the entertainment for the Medford Business Women, this evening, plans will be definitely decided upon as to what shall be planned for the visiting girls by the local members of the Business Women's club. A noon luncheon at the hotel White Pelican at which Mrs. Myrtle Helms and Miss Chloe Palmer will be hostesses is one of the events of the day, that has been definitely decided upon for Sunday.

## POE VALLEY VISITOR

Annette Resterson of Poe Valley visited here today with friends and attended to business interests.

Charles Hood of the Indian reservation is in the city today on business matters.

## MERRILL ROAD

Mrs. B. W. Sharp of Merrill Road is shopping in the city today.

## TODAY'S ARRIVALS

Foreign cars registering at the local chamber of commerce office today included: G. L. Early, Santa Monica; J. F. Bryant, Independence; Fred Marty, Sumaville; Fred Jewell, Likely; Alexander Morrison, Newark; F. W. Frame, Los Angeles; George C. Lenfesty, San Francisco; A. F. Christensen, Oakland; George O. Miller, San Francisco; Carl R. Wren, Emeryville; R. L. Holt, Oakland; Helene B. Bortor, Lang Beach; John Crowley, Dyerville; R. C. Jacobi, Medford; Frank Gaunt, Wilham; C. E. Davidson, San Francisco; J. A. Aldridge, Eureka; J. S. Granth, Seattle; W. H. Nugent, Eureka.

## FROM MERRILL

W. Ranney of the Alexander ranch near Merrill is in the city today transacting business matters for the ranch.



## Today's Scores

At Brooklyn—  
Pittsburgh ..... 7 11 1  
Brooklyn ..... 8 13 1  
Meadows, Oldham, Sheehan and Gooch; Vance and Debern.

At Philadelphia—  
Cincinnati ..... 4 10 1  
Philadelphia ..... 5 13 1  
Donohue and Hargrave; Ring and Wilson.

At Boston—  
St. Louis ..... 4 10 0  
Boston ..... 5 8 2  
Haines, Dickerman, Rhein and O'Farrell; R. Smith and O'Neil.

At Chicago—  
Boston ..... 1 5 2  
Chicago ..... 5 7 1  
Ehmke, Zachmizer and Bischoff; Robertson and Crowe.

At New York—  
Chicago ..... 6 9 1  
New York ..... 7 11 2  
Alexander, Bush and Gonzales; Bentley, Wisner, Dean, Huntzinger and Snyder, Hartley.

## MERRILL MAN

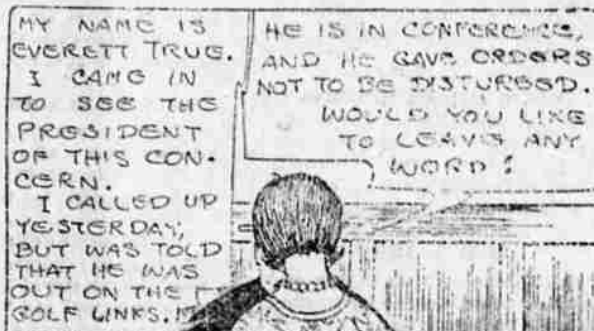
Chester Hawkins one of the prominent residents of Merrill is about the city today transacting business.

## U. OF O. STUDENTS

Albert Sinclair and Ralph Tack, who have been visiting here for some time, left this morning for Bend and will remain there until the opening of school, when they will again attend the University of Oregon.

## EVERETT TRUE

By CONDO



## BOAT EXPLOSION TAKES BIG TOLL ON OUTING SHIP

### Twenty-Nine Lives Lost in Tragedy Among Excursionists Last Night

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 18.—A scalding boiler explosion which brought to a sudden close the outing of a boat load of 677 excursionists as they were leaving Newport harbor aboard the steamer Mackinac, last night, had taken a toll of 29 lives today. The explosion occurred as the Mackinac was passing the naval training station in Narragansett Bay for Pawtucket. Throughout the night and early today the death toll mounted. In addition to the dead, two were reported missing and 52 seriously burned. Physicians at the naval hospital said they expected the death list to mount to at least 45 within the next few hours.

Days will pass before more seriously injured are out of danger, the doctors said. The majority of the dead and injured were trapped on the first and second decks when the boiler exploded. Scarcely a report was heard as the boiler in the engine room gave way, the first warning being clouds of escaping steam with the victims powerless to escape.

The accident happened within a stone's throw of the naval hospital, less than 100 yards from shore, otherwise the casualty list would have been trebled, passengers said today.

The Mackinac was a one funnel steamer equipped with 750 horse power engines. Her gross tonnage was 512 and her net tonnage 336. She was 162 feet long, 28.2 feet beam and 12 feet deep. She was built in 1909. The excursionists, included many women and children. Many aboard were employees of the J. and P. Coates company, thread manufacturers in Pawtucket. The company had declared a holiday for the outing.

A patch on the boiler, which had been placed there just before the departure of the boat gave way, exploding the boiler and throwing the passengers into a panic. Captain Thomas Meyer of Pawtucket, the skipper, said the boat was traveling 15 knots an hour, its fullest speed, and was loaded to its capacity.

## NEWMAN ASSERTS ACTS JUSTIFIED

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notify the sheriff. If I had it to do over, I would do no differently."

In regard to the contention that the boys, once free of the bandits in Portland, might have notified the police, Newman declared that his boy, who is only 17, has been used to obeying and that it was his instructions for them to return immediately.

## Believes Their Story

Mr. Newman asserted his confidence that the story which he induced the fugitives to dictate to him was substantially true as they remembered the incidents.

Mr. Newman declared that a check of the speedometer on his wife showed that the machine had been driven more than 13 miles within the city limits.

The Willamette river was crossed twice with an evident purpose to confuse the boys, who were also, incorrectly informed as to the places they left the convicts.

### AKERS LEAVES

J. W. Akers left this morning for San Francisco where he will visit for a week's time, after which he will go on to Nevada to locate permanently.

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