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PORTLAND FLOURING MILLS ARE BURNED

EIGHT TRAINMEN KILLED AND BODIES BURNED IN TRAIN WRECK IN TENNESSEE

WANTED GLORY FOR HIMSELF

Peary Gives This as the Reason He Sent Companions Back and Went to Pole Alone. Whitney Is Sore

NO LOVE FOR PEARY

DR. HANSEN, WHO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM THE NORTH, SAYS WHITNEY WAS THROWN OUT OF COOK'S HOUSE BY COMMANDER PEARY'S GIANT BOATSWAIN.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
New York, Sept. 15.—Scientists today are commenting on Commander Robert E. Peary's statement of last

night in which he declined to give more information regarding his discovery because "it might be used by others."

Peary also declared that Whitney is the sportsman whom Dr. Cook declares is holding some of his data, but Peary maintains that he did not discuss Cook's claims with Whitney. The explorer also refused to discuss Whitney's reason for leaving the Jeanie.

Dr. Hansen, a noted specialist, who has been in the north studying eye diseases, declares that Whitney was ousted from Dr. Cook's house at Anorok by Peary's giant boatswain and "treated like a dog."

The specialist says that Whitney has no love for Peary.

Replying to a question as to why no white man had accompanied him to the pole Commander Peary is quoted with saying that after a life-time of trying that he wanted all of the honor for himself.

No Successor on New York Central.
New York, Sept. 15.—Although the New York Central directors met this afternoon, they failed to elect a successor to fill the vacancy in their number caused by the death of E. H. Harriman.

SALEM TAKES A DAY OFF AND EVERYBODY GOES TO OREGON'S BIG SHOW

TOZIER CITY SCENE OF PIONEER REUNION --STREET CARS TAXED TO LIMIT TO HANDLE THE CROWDS-- FINE EXHIB- IT IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

This is Salem day at the state fair, and a record-breaking crowd is in attendance. At 11 o'clock the city declared a general holiday, and the crowds were almost beyond the capacity of the transportation companies. The program for tomorrow appears in this paper, and for this evening U. S. Senator Chamberlain is announced to speak at the pavilion.

Among the Campers.

Albert Tozier, as usual, is the mayor and superintendent of the City of Camps, and there are more than ever, and finer tents and better equipment. The large stockmen and pioneer members of the Oregon Agricultural Society have been in the habit for many years of camping here with their families, coming in before the fair, and staying until all the festivities are over. The queen of the Tented City is easily Miss Pauline Looney, a young lady who has attended state fairs ever since she was a little kid. Her large tent is the social center of the fair, and her evening soirees are attended by ladies from all over the state. Fortunes are told, family reunions are held, and there is a democratic freedom that is enjoyed by people from all over the valley, and Portland people are frequent visitors.

In Another Tent.

Mrs. D. H. Looney has the most valuable silk quilt on the grounds. It is made of silk fair premium ribbons, taken at state shows. It represents years of labor and devotion to high ideals in stock breeding, and Mr. Looney has, besides this large spread, a trunk full of ribbons, taken at state and national stock shows, herd trophies and sweepstakes prizes galore.

Restaurant Service Good.

There are many restaurants on the grounds, most of them well-known local caterers and established church organizations, where clean cooking is obtainable at moderate prices.

Mrs. Frank Southwick is running the Home restaurant, and her good, old-fashioned, home-cooked meals, cooked by white women cooks, are very much appreciated.

It is the second place from the entrance on the left, next to the machinery hall. Mrs. Southwick has served meals here for 15 years past, and always has all she can serve.

Fruit Exhibits Never Better.

As a producer of fine fruits Oregon is skinning the whole world. Our prunes, apples and pears are staple, and in a superior class by themselves and the crops are as regular as corn in Illinois.

Some of the awards are as follows:

W. A. Jones, Salem—Display of peaches, 2; display of Charlotte peaches, 1; plate of Muir, 1.

T. B. Jones, Gervais—Display of peaches, 1; Charlotte peaches, 2; Muir peaches, 2; Early Crawford, 1.

C. E. Holtgrove, Portland—Baldwin apples, 1; Dutchess Mignon, 1; King, 1; Missouri, 1; Pippin, 1; Winter Bananas, 1; Bartlett pears, 1; Beur re Clairgeau, 1; Fall Butter, 1; Barry Sheldon, 1; Winter Nellis, 2.

Theo. Bennett, Salem—Yellow-gal plums, 1.

C. J. Anderson, Salem—Petite prunes, 1.

Gle & Co. Salem—Display of evaporated prunes, 2.

Willamette Valley Prune Associa-

tion, Salem—Display of evaporated prunes, 1.

O. A. C. Exhibit.

The State Agricultural College has its great annual exhibit at the fair, and extends from a large poultry exhibit to the pavilion display, that shows the educational side of the work. The laboratory work is a great feature, and domestic science is illustrated with displays of chemical analyses, showing what are the constituent elements of a pound of this or that kind of food material.

There is a case of salads that is very appetizing. There are two kinds of apple salads, two of potato salads, lettuce, cucumber, fruit, two tomato salads, beet, grape and egg salad.

Demonstrators and members of the faculty are present to explain the purposes and methods of agricultural education, and the exhibit is attracting great attention. More people stop and look it over than almost anything in the building. In industrial work there is everything, from the plainest woodwork to the finest and most intricate metal and machine lathe work.

A GREAT BLAZE IN PORTLAND

Portland Flouring Mills Catch Fire Early This Morning and Were Utterly Consumed

LARGEST IN STATE

FIRE CAUGHT IN UPPER STORY AND BURNED DOWNWARDS, MAKING SPECTACULAR SCENE—DUST EXPLODED WHEN FIRE STARTED—TWENTY ENGINES AND FIRE BOAT CALLED OUT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Portland, Or., Sept. 15.—After destroying the Portland Flour Mills, the largest plant of its kind in the Northwest, and spoiling thousands of dollars' worth of grain, a fire which started from an explosion at the mills early today was brought under control before noon. For a time it was thought that several employees had lost their lives, and that a section of the manufacturing district of the city would fall prey to the flames. The estimated total loss will exceed \$300,000.

As far as could be learned none of the 70 employees of the mills were killed, although a search of the ruins will be made.

The mill is owned by the Portland Flouring Mills Company. Should the elevators and piers be consumed the loss will exceed half a million dollars.

A general alarm was sounded shortly after the fire started. In spite of a score of engines and two fire boats, the mill was soon a mass of flames, and only desperate work on the part of the firemen kept the fire from spreading to adjoining manufacturing plants.

The blaze was spectacular, from the fact that the flames ate their way downward, floor by floor. When the engines responding to the general alarm arrived, the sixth and seventh floors were almost consumed. Then the flames traveled to the third and second floors, seizing upon grain and inflammable materials in the building.

The plant was the largest in the Northwest, and had a capacity of 4500 barrels daily. The building was equipped with modern machinery and an automatic water sprinkler. It is believed that the force of the explosion disconnected the sprinkler attachment. In addition to loss by fire there will be a large loss from water.

PRESIDENT WILL TALK ON BALED HAY

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

North Yakima, Wash., Sept. 15.—When President Taft steps from his special train at Ellensburg, near here, in the course of his western trip, he will mount a gigantic platform of baled hay decorated with thousands of red apples, from which to deliver a brief speech. The President's train will stay at Ellensburg half an hour.

North Yakima is laying plans for a reception to the President and a program for his entertainment during his half day's stay here on September 29. Precautions will be taken to protect the President, and a company of the National Guard will aid the police in keeping order. The city will lavishly decorate in honor of its guest.

PASSENGER TRAIN IS WRECKED

Eight Trainmen Killed and Bodies Burned—Many Passengers Are Hurt. Wreck Takes Fire

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 15.—Eight men are known to be dead as a result of one of the worst wrecks in the history of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad today, when passenger train No. 4, traveling at a high rate of speed, crashed into a freight train at Pegram, 35 miles west of here. A number are also missing.

The following are said to be dead: Will Morgan, traveling engineer, body burned.

Joe Gower, passenger engineer, body burned.

Jesse E. Tarkington, freight engineer, body burned.

Joseph Roach, messenger, burned.

Sam Whiten, freight brakeman.

W. S. Stallcup, mail clerk, burned.

L. T. Bailey, mail clerk, body burned.

Ell's Martin, freight conductor.

Following the collision the engines, which met head-on, were overturned, and the mail and baggage car of the passenger train was demolished.

While the panic-stricken passengers, many of whom were injured from flying glass, rushed madly from the cars, shrieking in terror, flames burst from the fire boxes of the engines, and caught in the splintered wreckage, incinerating the bodies of the trainmen caught underneath.

While the train crew and male passengers worked heroically to stay the progress of the flames and rescue the bodies of the unfortunate victims of the wreck, a dispatch had been flashed to Nashville for aid.

A switch engine and a car loaded with physicians, nurses and employees of the company was immediately rushed to the scene to render all possible aid to the injured.

Men are now working in the wreckage, frantically attempting to clear it away, in the hopes of extricating the missing, whom it is believed are imprisoned under the cars.

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