

TRACK IS BLOCKED

Truck of a Baggage Car Breaks Near Grantville. Is Dragged Along the Ties a Quarter of a Mile.

A serious accident to Rock Island train No. 11 was averted by Engineer Jones near Grantville this morning. The truck on the baggage car broke and for a quarter of a mile dragged on the side of the train. A man inside the baggage car was unable to pull the bell cord as he was thrown from one side to another by the rocking of the car.

The engineer finally heard the noise and stopped the train to investigate. Word of the trouble was immediately wired to Topeka and Kansas City. Rock Island No. 3, the Golden State Limited, came along on the left track and picked up the 11 passengers and brought them to Topeka.

The Rock Island train was unable to move. As the accident occurred on Union Pacific tracks a wrecking crew this afternoon was sent to the scene. The track will be cleared before evening.

H. L. Reed of Herington, superintendent of the Kansas division of the Rock Island, was in his special car on the rear of No. 11. He telegraphed from Grantville for the Golden State Limited to take the other track and pick up the passengers on the other train.

If the train had gone much farther it is likely that a smashup would have occurred, possibly causing a great death and injury list.

Zeke Forter Says No More Talking Shows for Him. Zeke Forter, of the city hall, is off of real shows from now on. He didn't know it until Christmas day but he has been off of them for some time. He discovered Saturday that his steady attendance at moving picture shows has ruined him as a theatrical critic.

For the first time in many months Forter attended a real show at the Grand Saturday—'Daddy Long-legs.' For more than a year he has been attending good moving picture shows to the exclusion of the regular stage variety. Saturday's show was a disappointment to him.

'The show seemed to be good,' he said, 'but there was something wrong. I discovered that right away. It took me some time to figure out just what it was but I know now. I couldn't get used to the talking. The scenes didn't shift from enough. The thing moved too slowly. I know now that moving pictures have ruined my taste for the real thing.'

PEACE PRINCE RETURNS

On Switzerland Visit Sought End of War Is Report. Bern, Dec. 27.—(Via Paris)—Prince von Buelow, former German chancellor, returned to Lubeck, where he has resumed his quiet life in his hotel here. Reports that he has a large staff of secretaries are incorrect.

The presence of Prince von Buelow in Switzerland since October has given rise to many reports that he was working for peace on behalf of the German government although these statements have been denied categorically by the prince. A London dispatch said he had departed from Switzerland for Germany.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

Mrs. Mary H. Gleason, wife of Wilbur J. Gleason, died Saturday at her home, 613 Branch street. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Miss Blanch Potter and Miss Reneka Whitman, and two brothers, Frank Lafferty and Albert Lafferty. The funeral was held this morning at 10 o'clock in St. Joseph's church. The body was taken to Reading, Kan., for burial.

Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins, age 85, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. T. Wright, 519 West Fourteenth street. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. J. B. Beck, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. H. Staple, and one son, T. H. Higgins, all of Topeka. Mrs. Higgins was a pioneer of Topeka. The funeral will be held at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Church of the Assumption, interment in Mount Calvary. Friends are requested to send no flowers.

Mrs. Anna Marguerite Barbick, age 34, and her infant daughter Emma died Sunday morning at the residence, 400 Leitch street. The husband and father, Jacob Barbick, and five children survive. The funeral will be held at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning at St. Joseph's church. Interment in Mount Calvary cemetery. Mrs. Barbick was a member of the C. K. L. of A. lodge.

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Shideler, age 69, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Elliott, 1315 'L' street. The funeral was held this afternoon at the residence. The body will be taken to Stillwater, Ok., for interment.

Mrs. Hattie Bradshaw, colored, age 28, died Saturday at her home, Eleventh and Madison streets. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at St. John's A. M. E. church. Interment in Mount Auburn cemetery.

Mrs. V. B. Winslow of Louisville Ky., a sister of Mrs. Hugh A. Pank head, 415 East Seventh street, died Thursday at a local hospital. The body was taken to Frankfort, Ky., for burial.

BRINGING UP FATHER



DIES OF PELLAGRA

Woman Patient in the State Hospital a Victim Of Disease Until Recently Confined to the South.

Elizabeth Johnson, a 56 year old colored woman, died at the Topeka State hospital of pellagra today. Pellagra, until recent years, a disease unknown to Kansas, is becoming frequent, particularly in hospitals for the insane.

The colored woman came to the State hospital about four years ago from Leavenworth because of mental derangement. Her health was fairly good until about a month ago when she developed symptoms of pellagra.

Case of pellagra are more or less frequent in insane institutions, said Superintendent Biddle, 'for the reason that mental trouble usually accompanies the disease. This woman may have been suffering from pellagra when she was brought to the hospital. But it was only in the last thirty days that the case began to develop. In the South a majority of the insane hospitals are filled with pellagra patients. There has been some death from the disease in this institution.'

DRUNKS AID FUND

Police Department Collected Nearly \$400 in November.

The monthly report of Robert L. Yates, police judge, for the month of November was filed with the city clerk today and placed before the city commission.

The report shows that the department collected a total of \$386.50 for the month, that the back fines paid amounted to \$48 and that costs collected amounted to \$29.50.

RECEIVERSHIP FOR T.&P.

Petition Charges \$14,000,000 Default by Texas and Pacific.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 27.—Receiver for the Texas and Pacific railway company was asked in a petition filed here today by the Bankers Trust company of New York through their local attorneys, Locke & Locke. Default in payment of interest on bonds is alleged.

Hearing was set for January 31 by Judge E. R. Meek in United States court for the northern district of Texas.

Attorneys for the railroad served notice that they would contest the receivership. The petition is in contest of the New Orleans railway company, a Texas and Pacific property.

Interest on the debt on interest and principal of \$14,000,000 second-mortgage bonds, issued originally in 1888, for \$25,000,000 and since reduced to \$14,000,000.

WANTS

AND MISCELLANEOUS ADS. ADVERTISING RATES: The rate for inserting Want Ads in The Topeka State Journal is one cent a word each insertion, minimum 10 cents; by the week 5 cents a word, minimum 50 cents.

CLOSING HOUR: Want Ads to be classified properly in The State Journal office before 12:45 o'clock. Want Ads received after that hour will be inserted under the heading: 'To Late to Classify,' or next day as desired.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. C. Green to R. A. Snook, lot 29 Story 150 W. E. Lot and wife to W. M. Forbes and others, pt. ne. 1/4 8-12-16. 1 W. H. Moore and wife to L. G. Bunker, lot 5 and pt. sw. 1/4 15-12-15. 1 W. H. Moore to G. R. Gibson, 12,500 J. W. 1/4 1-13-14. 4,000

FALL ON ICE FATAL. E. D. Seaman, Prominent Grocer, Sustains Fractured Skull.

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 27.—E. D. Seaman, formerly president of the Seaman-Seamans Grocer company, sustained a fracture of the skull which resulted in instant death at noon today when he slipped and fell on ice covered sidewalk in the business district. He was 60 years old. Mr. Seaman had just returned to Springfield from Wichita, Mo., where he owns a large stock ranch.

WANTED

WOMAN FOR HOUSEKEEPING. MUST BE CLEAN AND GOOD COOK. GOOD WAGES. APPLY 315 WOODLAWN AVENUE

STOP THE SPITTERS

Complaints Are Pouring in to J. A. Ramsey, Sanitary Sergeant. Time was when only health authorities in Topeka protested against the custom of spitting on the sidewalks. Now, the citizens themselves do the protesting. Ever since the grip epidemic started individuals have been calling up J. A. Ramsey, sanitary sergeant, and asking that some action be taken to put a stop to the practice.

Today a Topekan who is interested in a cemetery association called up Mr. Ramsey and put in the hardest kick that has been registered so far. He admitted that the spitting custom makes business for cemetery associations but he declared his association did not want business that badly.

'There is a city ordinance against spitting on the sidewalk,' said Mr. Ramsey, 'and in a way it is enforced the sun is melting it and continues trickling down into the offices below. A contract has been let for a new roof but it will be some time before it will be giving service.'

Painless dental work at moderate prices at the 'Dental Parlors, 809 Kansas Ave., Phone 714.—Adv.

Prize Masquerade Ball at Kellam hall, Monday, Dec. 27.—Adv.

Two divorce petitions were filed in the Shawnee county district court this morning. George Watkins filed petition for divorce from Emma Watkins. The plaintiff alleges abandonment. Dora F. Cullor asks a divorce from Homer M. Cullor. The wife alleges neglect of duty, non-support and desertion. Besides a divorce, she asks for restoration of her maiden name, Dora F. Cridler.

SCHMIDT TAKES STAND

Accused Los Angeles Dynamiter Defends Himself in Murder Trial. Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 27.—Matthew Schmidt, who was a witness in his own behalf today at his trial for the charge of murdering Charles Hager, one of 20 persons killed in the Los Angeles Times explosion, October 1, 1913.

Schmidt will deny, it was understood, that he was the man who, under the name of F. A. Perry, was alleged to be implicated in the purchase of 500 pounds of dynamite in San Francisco a few days before the explosion.

WANTED

WANTED—MALE HELP. BE A DETECTIVE; earn big salaries and rewards; travel extensively. Address Hartley Bloodhound & Detective Agency, Suite 116, American Electric Bldg., St. Joseph, Mo.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD guaranteed acceptable men serving one month as firemen or brakemen, permanent positions, wages \$100-\$120, experience unnecessary. Railway Association, care State Journal.

WANTED—Combination meat cutter and groceryman. L. D. Roome, 1213 and 1/2-coin.

WANTED—Boy over 16 with wheel, 11715

WANTED—AGENTS. WANTED—Farmers and farmers' sons to represent established Kansas company. Good pay for work during spare time, and motorcycle given to best performer. Address Sales Dept., H. Vetter, Mgr., 625 Jackson st., Topeka, Kan.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP. WANTED—FEMALE HELP. WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS. LOST—White fur muff, containing wool mitts, Christmas night at Hip theater. Phone 2556 Blue.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS. LOST—One left hand gauntlet. Finder place call 256.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS. BOARD AND ROOMS. MODERN furnished room with board, \$8 414 West 7th. Phone 2784 Blue.

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FOR SALE. POP CORN CRISPETTE MACHINE. WARREN, SECOND HAND MAN. 408-10 E. 4TH. PHONE 182.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE. SHAWNEE INVESTMENT CO. 34 Kansas Ave. Phone 5650.

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LEGAL

LEGAL. I, Etta M. Covell, City Clerk of the City of Topeka, Kansas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of the original now on file in my office.

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas, deem it necessary for the best interests of said city that Twenty-first street from the west line of the A. & C. E. Ry. line of the west line to the east line of Topeka Avenue, in said city, be graded and curbed with combined curb and gutter, and paved twenty-six (26) feet wide with twenty per cent (20%) vitrified blocks on a five (5) inch concrete base with asphalt filler.

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