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DEAD ON DESERT

Oregon Couple Find Seven Men in Death Valley, Cal.

TWO OF THE PARTY SURVIVE

Tongues Swollen and Protrude from Mouths, Limbs Stiffened as Result of Heat. Partially Covered With Sand Recognition Impossible. Burrows Die.

San Francisco, June 22.—A special to the Examiner, from Goldfield, Nevada, says:

"W. H. Clark of Baker City, Ore., with his wife, arrived in Goldfield to day and brought a story of death from the lower desert seldom equalled. He says that a party of prospectors crossing the edge of Death Valley, laying between the Pannamint and Federal ranges of mountains came across a party of nine men and three burros. Seven of the men and all of the burros were dead.

The two surviving men were in a pitiable condition. Their tongues were swollen so that they protruded from their mouths and the action of the heat had so stiffened their limbs that they had to be carried on the backs of the rescuers animals.

No details can be obtained at present, as it doubtful if the two men rescued can live. The bodies of the dead were partially covered by sand and recognition was impossible.

The burros lay dead with their packs strapped to them and it is certain that the party had become lost and in their vain search for water in that dry alkali stretch of desert had traveled in a circle until overcome by heat and thirst, then lay down and die.

POOR AND NEEDY THE FAVORED

Chicago, June 22.—The will of the late John Parmelee provides that the entire estate, of \$400,000 shall be held in trust and the net income devoted to the purchase of fuel for poor and needy families.

RE-BIRTH OF THE HOOP SKIRT CAUSES TROUBLE

Pittsburg Girls Wear Strange Apparel to Their Discomfiture.

Pittsburg, June 22.—Miss Genevieve Tucker, who lives in a handsome place at 4361 Fifth avenue, in the fashionable East End district, decided she would try to match ribbons with some gloves she recently had brought over from Paris today. Strangely enough, Miss Henriette Hebert, her bosom friend of 32 Stanwick street had the same kaleidoscopic duty to perform, and it was only natural that she should accompany Miss Tucker in her carriage to a department store in the busiest part of down town.

When the carriage drew up to the store there was nothing remarkable about the two girls, apparently. They were pretty, demure and exquisitely dressed. The only thing strange at that moment was the unusual appearance of the groom. He was ashen when he opened the carriage door, and walked around the girls in respectfully widening circles. Persons began to gather in little knots who eyed the groom suspiciously, fearing he was insane but they soon found there was method in his arm's length deploying.

The side store of the store, which faces the north, still has a storm door. one of those turnstile affairs that only goes one way, and with plate glass partitions down to say a man's knees.

One of the young women smilingly started through the door, then stopped and turned pale, while her companion gave a little shriek and the groom went around the corner and hid. All of the girl herself had got into the compartment of the store door, but what was left outside unfolded the story. The girl couldn't go any further because of what was left behind her, nor could she back out, because the door didn't turn that way, so the rapidly increasing crowd had ample time for observation.

They weren't made of whalebone, or even steel, to go around the bottom of the skirt to keep its form and prevent kicking from dainty heels. They were just hoop skirts, the kind that grandmother used to wear, and disap-

peared mysteriously in the fall, to bloom again in the springtime when the snow melted from the back yard.

Women pressed their noses against the glass to take notes in the latest of Parisian lacy effects, but the men were vaccinated by these hoops. Count 'em—up to fourteen circular ribs, gradually diminishing in circumference, like a new set for eels. By this time the crowd had become so great the street-car line was blocked and a detective came along to see what it was all about.

He saw. "G'way!" he said: "this is no place for men."

After about five minutes a store attendant unloosened the catch in the door, the imprisoned girl backed out and the hoops resumed their attention to business. Then Miss Tucker and Miss Herbert, as serene and undisturbed as one could imagine, walked around to the front doors and entered—not abreast, but in single file.

COMPLEXION OF IRON AND STEEL FIELDS

Deadlock Between Buyers and Sellers Sentiment Improved.

New York, June 22.—New business has been rather light in nearly all branches of the iron and steel trades, and in some of them, says the Iron Age, what is virtually a deadlock between the buyers and sellers is maintained. Sentiment is rather improved although there is little that is tangible in the way of new orders to justify it.

In pig iron reports from some distributing markets are that inquiries are a little more numerous, but the tonnage placed is light, and buyers are securing some concessions in prices. Birmingham reports sale of basic pig for western deliveries, aggregating 15,000 tons, but the market is easier, and \$12 is being asked for No. 2 foundry.

Practically nothing has been done in Bessemer pig in the Central West.

The only interesting item in the rail trade is the report that the Tennessee Company has taken orders aggregating southern systems.

Among the larger structural iron contracts placed is that for 24,000 tons for Philadelphia.

UNION BUTTONS THE OBSTACLE IN THE WAY

Chicago Strike Question Reduced To Discussion on Insignia.

Chicago, June 22.—The teamsters strike today assumed a rainbow aspect of peace. Employers and strikers were ready to meet on a more conciliatory footing than at any time in the past. The Teamsters' Joint Council has received the report of its new strike committee. "Progress" was reported. A mass meeting of teamsters will be held tonight. The exact object of this meeting is a mystery, but it is reported it is to feel the sentiment of the rank and file of the teamsters in the matter of accepting the terms the employers have announced as the only ones that will be considered.

The two features of the employers proposition to which the teamsters objected, are the maintenance of police protection and the discarding of the union buttons. The teamsters, it is said, are willing to waive the police question, which leaves the button dispute practically the sole obstacle in the way.

MISSISSIPPI OVERFLOWS AND WRECKS RUIN

Reports to Effect that Dam is Broken, and Factories Closed.

St. Paul, Minn., June 22.—Dispatches from Duluth states that owing to the heavy rains several government dams along the upper Mississippi river have overflowed, hundreds of acres of land are inundated, that several factories along the river have been compelled to shut down and a large amount of damage has been caused to the cities and villages along the river.

THE CENTURY LIMITED KILLED GREAT LAWYER

Won Case for New York City Involving \$27,000,000.

New York, June 22.—John R. Bennett, who met death in the Twentieth Century wreck at Mentor, Ohio, was one of the foremost patent lawyers of the country and appeared in many of the important cases growing out of the infringement on great inventions. His notable case was his victory for the city of New York over the use of fire hose attachment. The case dragged along more than 25 years and involved more than \$27,000,000. A decision in favor of the city was handed down in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, last December.

GOOD ROADS MEETING.

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those who would see better highways built. Such experiences as those which have been brought out in the recent race to this convention will be pregnant in results. The lessons which they have taught are many, and the people to whose attention these lessons will come most vividly are the men whose brains and money must take the lead in solving these highway problems. We ought to have established one or more good through wagon roads from the Atlantic to San Francisco, and to the Northwest.

"The necessity for such roads first received official utterance at a good roads convention held in the City of Denver, nearly five years ago. At this convention the Honorable Martin Dodge who had just been appointed Director of the Office of Public Road Inquiries of the United States Government, delivered a memorable address, of which the controlling thought was this great need for such highways. A short time before that a wild and visionary article had appeared in one of the magazines advocating a boulevard 200 feet wide from ocean to ocean, with its separate division for vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, trees, grass, flowers, and I don't know what else. Senator Dodge's address was practical and timely. I have watched with interest the course of highway legislation in that state since, and I have seen clearly that his address concentrated attention on one of Colorado's great needs. Since that time many thousands of dollars have been expended in improving a continuous through the canyons of that state.

"When Tom Fitch successfully drove the Packard car from San Francisco to New York, he found the road through this canyon one of the delightful experiences of his trip. Some money has been appropriated by each legislature in recent years for the improvement of that road, just as an artery through the state. The people of Colorado feel that her attractions warrant the establishment of this transcontinental road through Denver and Colorado Springs, and this desire will be an important influence in effecting improvements along that road.

"I believe that the next session of the Legislature will provide for the use of the convicts on the road. The territory of New Mexico has set the example by using its convicts in constructing such an artery, and has taken the initial step in the building of a good through road from El Paso to the Yellowstone Park. In that territory this road will be principally constructed by convict labor. On this Coast, the Hon. Lionel R. Webster is leading a movement on foot to construct a public road from Portland to the summit of the Siskiyou. This subject is already being practically agitated in the state of Washington; while the El Camino Real agitation in California, led by that remarkable woman, Caroline R. Olney, is going to result in a continuous highway from Tin Juana to Oregon.

"I believe that the next two years will see the policy inaugurated of employing the convicts of these three states in work upon that highway, which will eventually lead from British Columbia to Mexico, and become the Riviera of the Pacific slope.

If no other permanent influence should come out from this convention, I believe that it will be an epoch in the movement for highway reform, for the discussions here shall spread a demand throughout this country for the construction of some transcontinental highways, and I feel certain that with that demand will be coupled also a demand that the potential activities of our convicts, now wasted or misapplied, shall be utilized as one of the effective means by which these transcontinental highways shall be secured.

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"Corbin, the great," and "Thelma the Mystic," are to be the next attraction at Fishers' Opera House, and if the verdict of the press throughout the entire country is any criterion as to the merits of the performance, it is safe to say that there is a rare treat in store for the theater-going people of this city. "Corbin the Great," is the greatest living magician, and in fact the only rival he ever had was Hermann. But even with the latter, "Corbin the Great" always divided honors, to say the least, and many critics among the newspaper writers have maintained that "Corbin the Great" never had an equal in his line. "Thelma the Mystic" never had a competitor, and she stands today the greatest in her profession. Sitting blindfolded on the stage, she will answer any question that may suggest itself to the mind of any one in the audience with-

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