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TRESTLE AND TRAIN SANK

WRECK NEAR NORTH YAKIMA

Number of Passengers Injured—Most of the Cars Demolished—Another Wreck on Astoria & Columbia—One Fatality

North Yakima, Wash., Jan. 14.—The westbound Northern Pacific passenger was wrecked at the mouth of Selah canyon, seven miles from this city. Seven coaches were thrown from the track and badly demolished. The injured are: Hugh B. Hall, knee bruised and leg sprained; Dr. H. E. Ruffin, head, neck, arm bruised; F. McEwen, mail clerk, elbow dislocated; G. W. Turner, Seattle, colored porter, knee cap smashed; and Harry H. Collier of Tacoma, editor of the Pacific Poultryman, bruised on body.

Mr. Collier was sleeping in the rear of the tourist car, which was completely crushed into splinters and covered by the dining car.

The wreck was caused by the wash-out of a dry canyon bridge 160 feet long, spanning Kittitas creek. The heavy rains of yesterday and melting snows had let a large volume of water down the canyon. This undermined the timbers, which gave way.

The train was proceeding carefully when Engineer R. Baird felt the bridge sinking and threw the throttle wide open, the engine passing over, but the tender went down 15 feet. All of the coaches with the exception of the last sleeper were derailed and the bodies detached from the trucks. The dining car spanned the gap in the bridge, crushing the tourist car, and was partly covered by one of the sleepers.

The engine and rear Pullman were the only ones left with wheels and standing on the track. A rail entered the door of the day coach and crushed through the center of the car and out at the roof without injuring the passengers sitting on either side.

Engine to the River.

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 14.—A passenger train on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad ran into a landslide near Clifton. The engine was derailed and rolled into the river. Engineer W. M. Scott remained on the engine and was killed. His body has not been recovered and it is supposed to be under the engine in the river.

Fireman James Davis was also thrown into the river but was rescued. He is now in the hospital suffering from a broken hand, and several bruises about the body. None of the passengers were injured.

The point where the accident occurred is on a curve along the Columbia river and the heavy rains of yesterday brought down a landslide on the track. The engine was running at low speed and the entire train might have gone into the river.

Telephone Man Drowned.

Tacoma, Jan. 14.—A Centralia (Wash.) special says Telephone Superintendent H. G. Nash and E. L. Baker were drowned while repairing lines north of Centralia. Nash was from Tacoma and Baker from Centralia, and both leave families.

Stowaway Leaves Lost.

Lachappa, Island of Corsica, Jan. 12.—The Italian steamer Leone has been lost. Many bodies from the wreck have been washed ashore.

The vessel mentioned in the dispatch from Lachappa is probably the steamer Leone of 3000 tons net register, owned by G. Demare of Catania. She was 201 feet 7 inches long, her beam was 25 feet 1 inch and she was 15 feet 3 inches deep. She was built at Greenock in 1864. No information as to the movements of the Leone can be obtained from any of the shipping books at hand.

Largest Oil Discovery.

Pittsburg, Jan. 13.—J. M. Guffy has made the most important oil discovery of the past 10 years. Recently he drilled into a mighty gusher in southeastern Texas, located on a 4800 acre tract, 18 miles from Sabine Pass, on the Sabine river, and 14 miles from Fort Arthur, in Jefferson county. The well is flowing the full capacity of the six inch casing, at a rate estimated at 18,000 barrels per day. This well is located about 240 miles southeast of the Corsicana field, and the oil is the same in specific gravity, about 37 degrees, but was reached at a depth of less than 1000 feet.

No More Permit System.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 14.—Governor Hunt has abolished the famous permit system in the Coeur d'Alene established by Governor Steuneger soon after the riots of April 29, 1899.

The mineowners of the Coeur d'Alene district recently established a central bureau for the employment of men. The office is at Wallace, where all men seeking employment in the big mines must apply and satisfy the agent.

Guest Was a Millionaire.

New York, Jan. 15.—The report of the appraiser appointed by the court to establish the value of Ogden Goodie's personal property was made public recently and shows that it was worth nearly \$7,000,000, about a third over \$6,000,000, the estimate furnished by the family.

Mrs. Nation in Out of Jail.

Wichita, Kan., Jan. 16.—Quarantine has been declared off at the county jail and Mrs. Carrie Nation, charged with smashing saloon pictures, was released on \$200 bail. Her trial has been set for next Monday.

Neely Goes South.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The United States supreme court has rendered a decision in the Neely extradition case. The court held that Neely was subject to extradition and must be surrendered to the Cuban authorities.

Chinese Have Signed.

Peking, Jan. 15.—The joint note of the powers has finally been signed by the Chinese peace commissioners.

Prince Ching signed yesterday, and Li Hung Chang, who is better, signed today.

It is understood that the malady from which Li Hung Chang is suffering is Bright's disease. He was feeling worse yesterday, and therefore postponed affixing his signature, but Prince Ching was hopeful that he would be able to sign today, which proved to be the case.

Prince Ching has protested to the court against the appointment, said to be contemplated, of Viceroy Chang-Chih-Tung as plenipotentiary in the place of Li Hung Chang. He thinks the latter's advice absolutely essential although he believes it might be advisable to appoint a third plenipotentiary for China, and reiterated his desire for the appointment of Sheng, who would be acceptable to the foreigners.

So far as Chang-Chih-Tung is concerned, the envoys who know him personally say that while he is strongly anti-foreign and has never made any secret of his likes and dislikes, they believe he would be a satisfactory representative of the Chinese, and there would not be any objections to him on the score of his recent utterances. Indeed, some of the ministers think it would be wise for China to make Chang-Chih-Tung a plenipotentiary.

Most of the envoys have received word from their governments that the negotiations must be conducted in Peking, on the ground that for various reasons other places suggested would be objectionable.

The Russians say they will formally turn over the railroad to the Germans immediately.

M. De Giers, the Russian minister, objects to the British attitude in refusing to permit the Russians to distribute rice and wheat to destitute Chinese in the British section.

Suffering Aboard Ships.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The passengers of the Russia who were interviewed draw a terrible picture of the suffering endured and of the scarcity of food. The last night spent on the steamer was especially trying.

Many persons giving way in despair, one woman begging a soldier for his revolver in order that she might shoot herself. The insubordination of the crew, the passengers being nearly smothered with the dirty, stinky air of the hold. A fireman declared the sailors ought to be fed first, and the same man refused to do any work, and the captain had to press his revolver to the man's forehead before the latter would obey orders.

The first subscription for the rescuees has reached 11,000 francs.

Meeting of Montana Engineers.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 13.—The Montana Society of Engineers closed its fourteenth annual session in Butte by a magnificent banquet. During the session about 25 visiting members were present and were entertained in royal style by the local members, who showed them the mines of the city and took them to all points of interest.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Frank L. Start; first vice president, August Christian; second vice president, George T. Wilkes; secretary and librarian, Richard E. Vail; treasurer and member of managers of engineering societies, J. H. Harper, trustee for three years, Bertrand H. Dunshaw.

In Memory of Davis.

Washington, Jan. 13.—No legislative business of importance was transacted by the senate Saturday. The session was devoted to services held in the memory of the late Senator C. K. Davis of Minnesota. The long and distinguished services of the Minnesota senator and the intimate relation he sustained with his colleagues in the senate had endeared him to all, and when his demise came every member of the body felt that he had suffered a personal loss.

For many years Senator Davis served as chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and in that capacity and in the discharge of his other senatorial duties, he was intimately identified with the foreign affairs of the government.

Attempted Assault.

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 13.—Miss Eva Beth, a well known young woman of this city, was assaulted on South Broadway, the fashionable residence street of the city, by Fred Alexander, colored, who had followed her for a distance of 12 blocks. Alexander failed to accomplish his object and was arrested after the occurrence and taken to the office of the chief of police, which was quickly surrounded by an angry mob numbering nearly 1000, breathing threats of vengeance.

New Steamship Record.

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—The steamer Mariposa has established a new record between this city and Australia, she arriving from Sydney two days ahead of time. Her actual steaming time was 29 days and three hours. She brought \$1,000,000 in English securities.

Laves Case Death.

Honolulu, Jan. 14.—A tragedy, said to have resulted from a commitment for leprosy, was brought to light some days ago by the discovery of two corpses in a quarry near the city. The bodies were those of a young man who contracted leprosy and was to have been sent to Molokai and his sweetheart who chose to die with him rather than endure a separation.

King Oscar Has Recovered.

Stockholm, Jan. 15.—King Oscar has recovered his health and will remain the ruler of government January 21.

Kruger Is Elected.

The Hague, Jan. 16.—Mr. Kruger starts for Utrecht in a few days to consult an oculist.

THE TELEGRAPH SUMMARY

NEWS OF THE WORLD IN BRIEF.

A Complete Review of the Events of the Past Week—In This and Foreign Lands—Taken From the Latest Dispatches.

The physicians say President Kruger's illness is probably fatal.

J. J. Hill for senator is the new name before the Minnesota Legislature.

Lord Curzon is to resign as the climate of India does not agree with his wife's health.

The Chinese peace commissioners have received orders from the court to sign the joint note of the powers.

At Princeton, New Jersey, an epidemic of grip has spread with alarming rapidity through the university.

At London the liabilities of the 16 stock exchange firms which recently failed aggregate 2,000,000 pounds, in one case the figures reached 900,000 pounds.

A west-bound freight train loaded with iron ore into the ditch west of Summit Nevada, badly smashing up the train but so far as learned no one was injured.

Representative Lord of the postoffice committee has reported a bill to the house revising and codifying the postal laws. No radical changes in existing laws are proposed in the bill.

Ex-Governor Mount of Indianapolis, Ind., just before his retirement pardoned William W. Kennedy who was sentenced to prison for life in 1885 for the murder of David Baker at Greensburg, Ind.

At Minneapolis Mrs. Mattilda Helstrom struck her 10 year old daughter with a bottle, killing her instantly. It is claimed that Mrs. Helstrom had made two previous attempts on the life of her daughter. It is believed that the mother is insane.

At Belleville, Ind., a double header extra freight train on the Illinois Central railroad ran into a through freight train, resulting in the death of Conductor W. A. King of Louisville and brakeman W. E. King of De Quoin. Four other trainmen were injured.

Word received in San Francisco at the merchant's exchange states that the overland United States mail steamer Tillamook had been caught in the ice at Kodiak and abandoned by the crew. The captain and crew are reported to be on their way to Seattle.

Near Friar's Point, Miss. Deputy Sheriff James Lucas was shot from ambush and instantly killed by Andrew Caylor, for whose arrest on the charge of selling illicit whiskey the officer had a warrant. Caylor was captured and a mob organized to lynch him, but the officers concealed him.

At Princeton, Ind., Joseph Keith who, on April 3, in Norwich county, murdered Nora Klifer, whose body was found on May 21, near Evansville, has been sentenced by the jury to be hanged. The case has occupied two weeks in trying and was the most sensational ever tried in southern Indiana.

Absolute control of the vast interests of the nation's express companies may fall into the hands of the railroad financial powers. Preliminary steps toward such an object are said to have been taken under the guidance of J. F. Morgan, James Hill and others who are reported prominently in the recently published railway deals and the general scheme has been outlined.

Three of the largest cattle deals made in the west during the past year have been consummated. The transactions involve a total of 10,000 head of cattle and the aggregate consideration is over a quarter of a million dollars. The most important sale was by John Sparks of Reno, Nev., to Mr. K. Parsons of Salt Lake city, acting for himself and associates. Mr. Parsons bought the Nevada man's entire output of steers and heifers for the year 1900, estimated at 7500 head. Parsons also purchased the herd of 1500 head of the McIntyre black polled Angus steers. Prices were not made public, but they were the prevailing prices for these grades of cattle, which makes the above aggregate sum. It is believed that many more important transactions will be made when the various live stock men meet here at the convention this week. Four hundred head of blooded stock will be on exhibition here during the convention, which meets next Tuesday.

The house of congress has passed the river and harbor bill.

Mrs. Harriette Behan, mother of Ada Behan, the actress, is dead.

Johann Faber, founder of the Faber Lead Pencil factory, is dead.

Adjutant General Corbin has received a curiosity from the Philippines in the shape of the flag of the sultan of Sulu.

William Hagerlon of Tacoma and L. Gandy of Brockton, Mass., are reported missing on the Yukon trail from Dawson.

Mr. Kruger is undecided whether to visit America. He will do so if assured that President McKinley will receive him officially as president of the Transvaal.

Yuan Shi Kai, governor of the province of Shan-tung, has been ordered to proceed to Peking to assist in the peace negotiations, but it is expected here he will decline to go.

Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., the defaulting teller of the First National bank of New York, has been sentenced to 13 years' imprisonment. The amount of his delinquency was \$200,000.

The foreign wheat shipments from Tacoma for the first two weeks in January aggregate 1,222,846 bushels, valued at \$674,661. This exceeds the shipments during any one month in 1900.

The labor market statistics of Germany for December, 1900, show a considerable deterioration. There were 162 persons demanding work to every 100 positions, as against 124 persons in December, 1900.

NORTHWEST NEWS ITEMS

BRIEFLY TOLD IN NOTES.

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Four Northwest States of a Miscellaneous Nature—Gathered the Past Week.

Idaho's mineral product for 1899 was \$14,158,990.

The total assessed valuation of the state is \$47,453,112.

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MINING NOTES.

Word has been received from the Rainbow, on Lake Pend d'Oreille, Ida., that the lower adit has entered another payshoot in which considerable native silver is present.

A. G. Hansner has let a contract for the first oil well in the Rosalia district. The well will be sunk on the farm of W. F. Riseland, north of town. It is understood that Mr. Parker, the contractor, will be here within 10 days to start operations.

Bids will be opened January 26 at the First State Bank of Palouse for sinking the shaft on the Blue Bird mine, Hoodoo District, to the 200-foot level. This is the property of the Chickawaw Mining & Smelting Company, and besides sinking the shaft to the 200-foot level a large amount of drifting is to be done. The company has a new hoist in place at their mine.

An important strike has been made on the property of the Oro Grand Mining and Milling company, which is located a few miles above Marcus, Wa. Mr. Stone, the General Manager, states that recent development on the contact vein next to the shaft in No. 3 shaft has opened up a fine body of ore, the width of which is not yet determined.

New oil discoveries in the northwest are being continually made in a widening territory. Word has been received of proposed oil prospecting at Grand Forks, B. C., and a dispatch last night gave the news of discoveries near Baker City, Ore. The existence of oil fields in the Crow's Nest coal regions of East Kootenai is well known, though the fields have never been developed. It begins to look as if, even only a part of the oil prospects of the northwest prove of commercial value, there will be much activity this year and big profits in the new industry.

The surveyors have almost completed their work for the railway line to connect the Holden mines with Lake Chelan and the new smelter that is to be erected by the Chelan Transportation & Smelting company. Dirt will fly from the course about the first of March, at which time the company has decided to start the real work on the construction of the road. According to the contract of the transportation company with the Holden mines all the ore from the latter property must be hauled from the mine to the lake at a rate of \$1.00 per ton. The cost of the road is estimated at \$100,000, and is entirely a separate enterprise from the Holden company.

Wm. Temast, an employee of the Tom Boy mine, near Telluride, Colorado, was caught by a slide which carried away the blacksmith shop at the mine last week. His body was recovered. The other slide was near the Camp Bird mine, at Orem, and the victim was J. H. Collier, a miner. His body is supposed to be buried under a vast mass of snow and rock, and it is unlikely that can ever be recovered before next summer.

Very high assays are reported from the Elk mine at Bodie camp. The only sign of activity at the Tom Thumb consists in pumping water out of the mine.

Hugh C. Mabon reports having done considerable work on the \$19 company's claims recently. Tom Finney and Pete McCormick are driving a tunnel on the Steuneger and striking nice stringers of ore. At the Mountain Lion there is nothing especially interesting beyond the sinking of the main shaft, which is still going ahead.

Superintendent Hewitt of the Chico mine states that the north drift is still in good ore, but it is now pretty near all in the foot-wall.

The Griffin mills for the Republic Power & Cyaniding company are beginning to arrive, and preparations are under way for their installation.

The northeast drift of the Flag Hill mine is now in about 63 feet and the quartz continues strong and assays well up into the shipping stages.

A party from Sheridan camp says but little in mining is being done in mining there this season. Only the Steuneger and Deer Bed mines are in operation at present.

The uprise of the Butte & Boston is reported by Superintendent Nickerson to be again in good and valuable quarters but work in it is progressing slowly on account of the small force employed.

The north and south drifts in the Princess Maud mine are being pushed ahead as fast as the Leyner drill and powder can break the ground, and Superintendent Hodge says the vein at both ends looks better than usual.

The open cut for the Gold Legend tunnel is in past 60 feet and James Elliott, who was in from the mine, told the Chronicle correspondent that another tunnel may be started higher up the hill that will strike the vein much sooner than the lower one.

Shipments of ore from the California mine to the British Columbia smelter are still reported. The shaft is now down 44 feet below the 100 foot tunnel, continuing on the rich pay streak, which is now said to be five feet wide at the bottom of the shaft.

Frank Richardson has a contract to sink a 60-foot shaft on the Deer Bed. It is now down 44 feet, following the vein, which averages about 2 1/2 feet in width. The ore on this vein runs over 100 and as high as \$187 per ton. The character of the highest class of ore on the ledge is brittle silver.

Metals Report.

San Francisco.—Silver bars, 64c; Mexican dollars, 50 1/2 @ 51c.

New York.—Silver certificates, 64 1/2 @ 65 1/2; bar silver, 63 1/2; Mexican dollars, 50c.

London.—Bar silver steady at 29 1/2 per ounce.

WASHINGTON.

The North Yakima council will be petitioned for a milk inspector.

The Waldron estate, consisting of large tracts of timber land near Aberdeen, has been finally adjusted.

It is expected that the famous Dak creamery will change hands soon and become the property of a Spokane commission firm.

The Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho Fruit Growers Association will meet at Spokane January 31, for a session of three days.

George Dow, aged 22, a student of a business college, in Spokane, died last week as a result of undue excitement brought on by a friendly boxing bout.

It is said the Legislature will be asked to increase the Supreme Court from five to seven judges, upon the ground that the present membership of the court is insufficient to handle the work.

Alfred H. Seymour who represented himself as an insurance agent, and who, the police say, has been victimizing people in Seattle and Oregon towns, and in British Columbia, has been arrested at Seattle.

Next November Pacific county bonds to the amount of \$25,000 will be payable at the option of the county, or they may run 10 more years. They draw 5 per cent interest. It is believed that they can be refunded at 4 per cent interest.

Theodore Cowall, a laborer at the Tacoma smelter, was terribly burned by molten slag last week, and is now at the St. Joseph hospital. Cowell was burned in an attempt to relieve another man who was endangered by the slag.

The biennial report of State Labor Commissioner Adams has been filed with the governor. The report is a long one and deals with statistics and other details of the various labor industries and labor conditions of the state.

The Western Central Labor Union of Seattle last week passed resolutions thanking Andrew Carnegie for his gift to Seattle of a \$200,000 library building, and in suitable words expressed deep appreciation for the generosity of Seattle's millionaire benefactor.

James A. Drain, formerly major of the National Guard, but recently appointed adjutant general, has left Spokane for Olympia to assume the duties of his office on the 16th of January. His term of office is four years, during which time the able and popular ex-captain will live at the capital of the state.

At Okedale Frank Edwards, aged 22 years, while bending over a counter, shaft in the scouring mill in the act of oiling a journal had his clothing caught in a key and was instantly drawn to the rapidly revolving shaft, running at the rate of about 300 revolutions per minute, receiving injuries resulting in his death within a few minutes. He made an outcry as he was caught, and the mill was immediately shut down. His body was found so tightly bound to the shaft that his clothing had to be cut to release him. He was alive and asked to be taken home.

Albany had only four fire alarms last year.

Andrew John Welch an old resident of Astoria died last week.

The Marshfield light plant was slightly damaged last week by lightning.

The Baker City Chamber of Commerce gained 31 new members last week.

F. E. Dunn, of Eugene, sold 57 bales of 1899 hops to San Francisco buyers recently for 5 cents per pound.

The Treasurer of Grant county had about \$3,000 last week for distribution among the schools of the county.

Fred Walters, of the Farmer's Custom Mill, has purchased the Cheape mill property at Pendleton for \$5,500.

The telephone office at Sumpter has abolished its telegraph office, and messages are now transmitted by telephone to Baker City.

Since the 15th of December the Imbler Lumber company has received orders for 25 cars of lumber, 25 of which go to Salt Lake City and other Utah points.

The steamer Blanco has been towed up the river to the Southern Oregon Lumber Company to Empire. The rock is being used to build a bulkhead to protect the piling from teredos.

L. Oldenburg's fruit dryer and fruit house, north of La Grande, was totally destroyed by fire recently. Practically nothing was saved. The loss includes the dryer and fruit house, 42